



**GODALMING UNITED CHURCH**  
(Methodist & United Reformed)

## SERVICE FOR SUNDAY MAY 6<sup>th</sup> 2018 and notices for the coming week

Margaret Ireland, our Circuit Steward, writes about the "Thy Kingdom Come" initiative:

This simple prayer initiative calls on all Christians to pray during the period between 10<sup>th</sup> May, Ascension Day, and 20<sup>th</sup> May, Pentecost. Initiated in 2016 by Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury, the initiative registered 100,000 individuals in 2016 and in 2017 about half a million Christians of varying denominations in over 80 countries committed to pray during this period. This year the Circuit has agreed to partake in the initiative with each Circuit church participating by each member of the church congregation being encouraged to pray daily for five people they know and who they would like to know more of God, so that the five people come to or grow in faith.

In practical terms each member of the congregation is to receive the booklet "Nine Days of Prayer - Waiting in Wonder" together with a piece of string in which to make five knots to remind them of their five nominated people who they will pray for each day during the period of the initiative either with the simple prayer "Thy Kingdom come" or more, as they wish. These booklets have your name on and are in the Foyer together with a ball of string and a pair of scissors to let you cut the length that you want.

Finally, as part of the "Thy Kingdom Come" initiative, on 20<sup>th</sup> May, there will be at Guildford Cathedral at 4pm a Taize service and at 7pm, contemporary worship. These are ticketed events, details on <https://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/about/thy-kingdom-come> From 5pm to 6.30pm visitors can visit the prayer stations, points set up by various groups including the Wey Valley Circuit.

*Alan Steele*

### ***PRAYER FOR THE WEEK***

Risen Lord, be with us today as we meet to worship. May our hymns, prayers and words be acceptable in your name. Go with us during the week ahead, Loving Lord. Amen.

**9.00-10.15am eMerge (Fairtrade Sunday breakfast)**

Today's stewards are

Vestry Steward Keith Rowling

Duty Steward Nancy Wilks

(stewards are the people to ask, if you need help before, during or after a service)

Our CLOSED LOOP SYSTEM requires hearing aids to be switched to the telephone or T programme. Recordings of our services are available through the church website, or a CD copy can be provided on request – please ask a Steward.

The Church operates a system of covenanted, planned giving (details of which may be obtained from Nicola Garriock).

There is a children's area available at the rear of the Church which parents and their young children may use during the service.

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**9.00am HOLY COMMUNION** - led by Rev Paul Hulme

Pianist: Wendy Bicknell

Hymns (StF) 479 The King of Love my shepherd is

(StF) 67 This, this is the God we adore

Lesson John 15 v. 14- 17 (p.1083) read by Francis Groves

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**10.30am MORNING WORSHIP**

Led by Mr Patrick Coad

Music Singing the Faith tapes

Hosts: Shirley Williams and Mary Hayes

Sound System: Denis Leigh

Projection steward: Julie Rowling

Call to worship

**HYMN (StF) 678 Come, all who look to Christ today**

Prayers and Lord's Prayer

Family talk

**HYMN (StF) 77 Give thanks to the Lord, our God and King**

Children blessing and leave

Bible reading

John 15 v. 9-17 (p.1083) read by Louise Steele

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

**HYMN (StF) 272 From heaven you came (Servant King)**

Sermon

**HYMN 318 Let there be love shared among us**  
*(Songs & Hymns of Fellowship)*

Prayers

Collection and dedication of the offertory *(congregation please stand)*

**HYMN (StF) 503 Love divine, all loves excelling**

Blessing

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Everyone is welcome to join us for coffee or tea or a drink  
of squash in the River Room after the service.

The flowers today have been given by Barbara and Michael Fabb  
and arranged by Wendy Weston.

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Nine Days of Prayer – Waiting in Wonder -

Thy Kingdom Come prayer movement

A booklet is available for every member

Please collect your copy from the foyer.

**Christian Aid Week - 13<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> May**

*Please sign the list in the foyer if you are able to attend the  
Christian Aid lunch on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May.*

As referred to in SPAN there is also a street collection in Godalming on  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> and Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May, 10 am to 3pm. Please speak  
to Muriel Clark if you can help with any of these collections.

DIARY FOR THE WEEK UP TO SUNDAY 13<sup>th</sup> MAY 2018

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Bank Holiday

Tues 8<sup>th</sup> 5.00pm Brownies (*Alison tel:422841*)

Wed 9<sup>th</sup> 10.00am Godaltots (*Jacky tel: 423768*)  
12.15 for 12.30pm Lunch Fellowship at the Jack Phillips

Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> 4.30pm Rainbows (*Julie tel:428701*)  
7.30pm Scouts (*Grahame tel: 01420 475773*)  
7.30pm Churches Together in Godalming **Ascension Day**  
Service at Godalming Baptist Church

Fri 11<sup>th</sup> 10.30am–2.00pm Church open for private prayer  
12-1.30pm Lunches  
2.00pm Hobbies and games group  
6.00pm Music Kids (*Barbara tel: 421268*)

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May**

**9.00-10.15am eMerge – Fairtrade Sunday breakfast**

**10.30am Morning Worship – Rev Paul Hulme**

**12.15pm Christian Aid Lunch**

ADVANCE NOTICES

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Monday Evening Group meets

Tues 15<sup>th</sup> **1.00pm** Ladies Fellowship Lunch (cost £5.00)

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> 2.15 for 2,30pm Qui - informal discussion group

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