



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

## SERVICE FOR SUNDAY JULY 1<sup>st</sup> 2018 and notices for the coming week

The early birds in the congregation will, once again, have enjoyed John Goatley leading the 9am Communion service, a service to which he is dedicated and greatly enjoys. Again, our thanks to him for his continuing active ministry.

That said, it is "payback" time! For no apparent reason John recently received a large envelope from Methodist Homes (MHA) asking him to publicise its work in its 75th year (which will be celebrated at a service of thanksgiving at Derby Cathedral on 13 October). So "payback" is that I do this publicity for him.

In 1943 the Methodist Conference agreed proposals to look at setting up homes for older people, "for people of usually 60 years or over who desire to avail themselves of such amenities as the homes provide, and agree to contribute to their means". This was many years before the current Welfare State or the NHS and recognised the big need to support older people. The first care home, The Rylands, was opened in Wallington, Surrey. Today MHA runs 90 care homes, 72 retirement living schemes and 61 Living at Home schemes, supporting more than 17,800 older people across England, Scotland and Wales, employing 7,000 staff and enjoying the support of over 5,500 volunteers. Since its inception MHA has focussed on the spiritual needs of its residents, as well as their physical and mental wellbeing. All care homes and retirement villages have chaplaincy provision.

In its 75th year MHA asks for continued support so that MHA continues to grow and flourish (GUC makes a financial contribution each year), support by involvement, volunteering or financially. At the back of the Church you will find a folder and leaflets about MHA. Do find out more about its inspiring story and work.

*Alan Steele*

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

Jesus, healer and teacher, we thank you for knowing each one of us – our abilities and our needs. We come to you for guidance, so that we may truly work for and with you here on earth. Amen

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

Today's stewards are

Vestry Steward Alison Briscoe

Duty Steward Keith Rowling

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

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**9.00am HOLY COMMUNION - led by Rev John Goatley**

Pianist: Wendy Bicknell

HYMNS H&P 60 Timeless love! We sing the story

614 Jesus, we thus obey

Gospel Reading Luke Ch.9 v.51-62 (p.1040) read by Francis Groves

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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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**10.30am MORNING WORSHIP**

Led by Jane O'Leary

Organist: StF tapes

Hosts: the Calvert family

Sound System: Richard August

Projection steward: Julie Rowling

Notices and Call to worship

HYMN (StF) **690 The Church's one foundation**

Prayers of adoration, thanksgiving and praise

HYMN (StF) **81 Now thank you all our God**

Psalm 30 read from Singing the Faith number **808** - responsively

Prayers of confession and forgiveness

**HYMN (StF) 345      And can it be that I should gain?**

Reading:

2 Corinthians 8 verses 7-15 (p.1162) read by Margaret Hunt

Reader:                This is the Word of the Lord

Congregation:      **Thanks be to God.**

Address    Testing the sincerity of love

**HYMN (StF) 520      Give to me, Lord, a thankful heart**

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

Prayers of intercession

**HYMN (StF) 487      You shall go out with joy**

Blessing and Grace

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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 Olive Temple in appreciation  
of the support given her by the minister and church members.

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**Traidcraft and Mission Stalls will be in the hall following this morning's service.**

There are important letters for church members and adherents in the foyer. Please collect yours if you have not done so already and any there for people who are not present today which you can deliver.

METHODIST PRAYER HANDBOOK 2018/9

If you would like a copy of the Methodist Prayer Handbook for 2018/9 "A World Transformed" priced £3.95 plus p&p please let Sylvia Kelley know by 22 July.

Please could the **Mission and Outreach home collection boxes** be handed to Kath Riddy for counting. If you are unable to come to church Kath is happy to collect and return your box, call her on 01483 861446 to arrange a time convenient to you.

**THE WHITECHAPEL MISSION** - Collection 29<sup>th</sup> June to 9<sup>th</sup> July

Urgently need:      Men's Clothing, Toiletries and  
Non-perishable Breakfast foods.

Leaflet giving the collection times at GUC is available in the foyer.

**Items for the July/August edition of SPAN which will be available  
next Sunday are needed by Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July at the latest.**

## Church Car Park

There have been a number of comments/complaints from members of the congregation that people are parking poorly in the car park meaning that valuable spaces are being lost. Tighter parking is needed seems to be the message.

From **Monday July 23<sup>rd</sup>** there will be no access into the **hall store cupboard** while the hall floor is being renewed. This work we hope will only take 4 weeks, but might take a little longer. We will be taking the table trolley out of this store and putting it into the river room for the duration of this work.

If anyone has need of something stored in this cupboard during this period please would you let John Drake or Jennifer Leigh know before Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July.

## DIARY FOR THE WEEK UP TO SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup> JULY 2018

Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> 5.00pm Brownies (*Alison tel:422841*)

Wed 4<sup>th</sup> 10.00am Godaltots (*Jacky tel: 423768*)  
3.30 – 6.30pm Cake Stall at GUC – in aid of the Cataract Project  
in The Gambia

Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> 4.30pm Rainbows (*Julie tel:428701*)  
7.30pm Scouts (*Grahame tel: 01420 475773*)

Fri 6<sup>th</sup> 10.30am–2.00pm Church open for private prayer  
12-1.30pm Lunches  
6.00pm Music Kids (*Barbara tel: 421268*)

Sat 7<sup>th</sup> 2.30pm onwards – **CREAM TEA** at GUC - all are welcome to call  
in when it is hoped newcomers to the area will also be present.

## Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July

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

**10.30am Morning Worship - led by Rev Paul Hulme**

## ADVANCE NOTICES

Mon 9<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Monday evening group meets

Wed 11<sup>th</sup> 12.15 for 12.30pm Lunch Fellowship at the Jack Phillips

## **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE CHURCH PLEASE CONTACT:**

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