



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

## SERVICE FOR SUNDAY FEBRUARY 10<sup>th</sup> 2019 and notices for the coming week

Firstly, a warm welcome to the Rev. Brian Treharne from Cranleigh. We are so lucky to have a strong group of retired ministers in our circuit who continue to play an active role in our churches. Our thanks to them all.

Secondly, apologies to all for the disruption caused by the pantomime, our biggest single youth project of the church year. Paul spoke of its importance in his sermon last week. This year's production is Pinocchio, a rarely performed work. Pinocchio is a fictional character and the protagonist of the children's novel *The Adventures of Pinocchio* written by the Italian writer Carlo Collodi in 1883. (We have a new production for our performance.) Collodi was a volunteer in the Tuscan Army during the Italian Wars of Independence and was intensively active in the political newspapers of the time but was also employed by the Censorship Commission for the Theatre. However, he became disenchanted with Italian politics and turned to children's literature. He became fascinated by the idea of using an amicable, rascally character as a means of expressing his own convictions through allegory, hence Pinocchio which was published weekly in the first Italian newspaper for children (and his story then was quite gruesome). Over the years Pinocchio has become a cultural icon with his story adapted into other media (most notably of course by Disney).

As we get older learning our parts becomes harder for some of us, so part of a performers prayer (from Faith and Stage Fright):

"Now I lie me down to study, I pray the Lord my lines not be ruddy;  
And if I fail to hit my pitch, I pray the Lord will fix my glitch  
And if I die before I sing, just use me as a prop or some other thing.  
Lord give me strength when delivering that sentence, and please don't  
let me forget my entrance."

*Alan*

Rev Paul Hulme is at St. Mary's, Guildford this morning

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

Lord, particularly as we are in the midst of our pantomime weekend, remember that we have promised to serve you to the end. Be always ever near us both as our master and our friend. We shall neither fear the battle if you are by our side nor wander from the pathway if you will be our guide Amen.

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Today's stewards are

Vestry Steward Nancy Wilks  
Duty Steward Sue Weighton

(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).

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## **10.30am MORNING WORSHIP**

	Led by	Rev Brian Treharne
Music:		Keith Nye & friends
Hosts:		the Calvert family
Sound System:		John Drake

Welcome and Notices

Call to Worship

HYMN **H&P 20**      *"Ye holy angels bright,"*

Prayer of Approach and the Lord's Prayer

Church Family Talk

HYMN **H&P 492**      *"Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,"*

Brief Prayer before the Junior Church leaves

Prayers of Thanksgiving, Confession and Adoration

**OT Lesson**        Isaiah 6: 1 – 8 (p.690) read by Sylvia Kelley  
**NT Lesson (1)** Luke 5: 1 – 11 (p.1032) read by Sylvia Kelley  
**NT Lesson (2)** I Corinthians 15: 1–11 (p.1155) read by Sue Weighton  
HYMN **H&P 662**                *"Author of faith, eternal Word,"*  
Sermon  
HYMN **H&P 500**                *"Lord God, your love has called us here"*  
Dedication of the Offering  
Prayers of Intercession  
HYMN **H&P 378**                *"Be thou my vision, O lord of my heart,"*  
Blessing

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Today                    1.00pm and 4.00pm    Performances of Pinocchio

There will be a congregational (church) meeting  
following the morning service on 24<sup>th</sup> February.

The church is open for anyone to call in for private or shared prayer on  
Friday mornings. All are invited to come for as long as they can between  
11.20am and 11.40am to share in prayers specifically for all involved in the  
change of ministry at GUC.

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