



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

## SERVICE FOR SUNDAY MARCH 17<sup>th</sup> 2019 and notices for the coming week

The Church Year moves on and we are now in Lent with its traditional series of readings, today the Temptation of Jesus which we read from Luke. The Temptation is detailed in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke (but with subtle differences as you will see if you read all three accounts) and is referred to in Hebrews (historically said to be written by Paul but more latterly seen as writer unknown).

Mark's account is very brief, merely noting the event. Matthew and Luke describe the Temptation by recording the details of the conversation between Jesus and Satan. The Temptation is not explicitly mentioned in John other than Jesus referring to the Devil, "the prince of this world", having no power over him. Indeed, in all accounts the agent of evil does not succeed, Jesus has the final word and is left in peace - for a while.

*Alan*

### ***PRAYER FOR THE WEEK***      *St Patrick's Day*

May there always be work for your hands to do;  
May your purse always hold a coin or two;  
May the sun always shine on your windowpane;  
May a rainbow be certain to follow each rain;  
May the hand of a friend always be near you;  
May God fill your heart with gladness to cheer you.

*An Irish Blessing*

Today's stewards are

Vestry Steward      Alison Briscoe  
Duty Steward        Nancy Wilks

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

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

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 with HOLY COMMUNION**

	Led by	Rev Paul Hulme
Music:		Candela
Hosts:		Barbara and Malcolm Keene
Sound System:		Denis Leigh
Projection steward:		Julie Rowling

Call to Worship

HYMN (StF) **334**      **Praise to the Holiest in the height**

Prayers (page 148-150 *Methodist Worship Book*)

HYMN (StF) **518**      **Father, hear the prayer we offer**

LESSON

Luke Ch. 4. v. 1-13 (p.1030) read by Barbara Keene

Reader:              This is the Word of the Lord  
Congregation:      **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN (StF) **235**      **Christ our Redeemer knew temptation's hour**

SERMON

Music for Reflection

Prayers of Intercession (page 152 ff *MWB*)

Collection and dedication of the Offering (congregation please stand)

Prayers and the Lord's Prayer (page 153 ff *MWB*)

Holy Communion (page 153 ff *MWB*)

HYMN (StF) **664 Lord, you call us to your service**  
(Tune: *39 Angel Voices*)

The Blessing

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**A short special congregational (church) meeting  
will follow the morning service.**

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The flowers today have been given by Sheena Packham to thank God for  
the blessing of a loving and supportive family and many good friends.  
Arranged by Wendy Weston.

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Friends who remember Rosemary Cole will be sorry to learn of the death  
of her son, Richard, who lived in Liphook, on 6<sup>th</sup> March. He had an  
unsuccessful kidney transplant many years ago, and was on dialysis,  
but his death was very unexpected.

**The Lent Appeal is for Maternity Services  
through Medicines Sans Frontieres.**

There is a display on the board in the foyer  
and letters are available for you to take.

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

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DIARY FOR THE WEEK UP TO SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2019

- Mon 18<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Monday Evening group
- Tues 19<sup>th</sup> 2.45pm Ladies Fellowship MAF Flying for Life  
with David Greenwood  
5.00pm Brownies (*Alison tel: 422841*)  
7.30-10.00pm Safeguarding Foundation Module Refresher  
Training at GUC
- Wed 20<sup>th</sup> 10.00am Godaltots (*godaltots@gmail.com*)
- Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> 12.15 for 12.30pm Lent Group at St. Mary's, Guildford,  
followed by a soup and bread lunch  
4.30pm Rainbows (*godalmingrainbows@gmail.com*)  
5.45pm Cubs (*cubs@guc.org.uk*)  
7.30pm Scouts (*scouts@guc.org.uk*)
- Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> 10.30am–2.00pm Church open for private prayer  
12 – 1.30pm Lunches  
1.45pm Lent group at GUC – travelling lightly in the wilderness  
experience – all welcome  
6.00pm Music Kids – singing at Eastlake this evening  
(*the keenes@btopenworld.com*)
- Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> 8.30am Ecumenical prayer breakfast at GUC  
2.30pm **Musical Allsorts** at GUC
- Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March  
9.00 – 10.15am Fairtrade Sunday Breakfast  
10.30am Morning Worship – led by Rev Asif Das

**ADVANCE NOTICES**

- Sat 30<sup>th</sup> 7 – 9pm An Evening of **Curry with Compassion** at  
Godalming Baptist Church.  
Tickets (£6.50) available from Gwen Wheatman