



GODALMING UNITED CHURCH
(Methodist & United Reformed)

SERVICE FOR SUNDAY JUNE 2nd 2019 and notices for the coming week

A warm welcome this morning to the Rev. Keith Beckingham from Guildford, our Circuit Superintendent minister.

Our Old Testament reading this morning is from Leviticus which is, as we well know, the book of laws which springs directly out of God's covenant with his people at Sinai. The book is essentially for the priests who are to instruct the people.

Chapter 19, from which we read today, concerns holiness and justice. It echoes the Ten Commandments. The chapter starts with issues of moral law but the part which we read shows concern for the underprivileged. God cares about the poor, the foreigner, the disabled and wants to see honesty, fair dealing, impartial justice. He is concerned if wages are delayed and calls his people to respect life and reputation. The chapter closes with God's concern for the natural world and how we care for his creation.

Leviticus may have been written for a bygone age but it is worth pondering at this time of elections as to how relevant today are some of the issues which are raised in this chapter.

Alan

Rev Paul Hulme is preaching at Stoughton Methodist Church this morning.

9.00-10.15am eMerge (Fairtrade Sunday breakfast)

Today's stewards are

Vestry Steward Nancy Wilks
Duty Steward Alan Steele

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

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

A prayer from the Joint Public Issues Team, Churches working for peace and justice, for after the two elections which we have experienced:

For those who are now taking public office, that in serving our communities and national life-truth, justice, peace and wellbeing might become priorities for all.

For those for whom these results mean significant change - that they might find grace and wisdom for the way ahead. That those with leadership and influence will act wisely and in the interests of all people - seeking stability and justice for our world. That as Christian citizens in society, regardless of whether we currently face the prospect with relish or trepidation, we will have wisdom and courage to seek God's Kingdom and pursue his purpose in the emerging political landscape.

For those whose Christian identity has inspired them to serve in public life - that they might act as faithful followers of Jesus in every circumstance they face. Amen.

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.

10.30am MORNING WORSHIP

Led by	Rev Keith Beckingham
Music:	StF CDs
Hosts:	Sylvia Hunt and Christine Wells
Sound System:	Malcolm Keene
Projection steward:	Julie Rowling

Welcome and notices

Call to worship

Hymn (StF) 503 Love divine, all loves excelling

Prayer & the Lord's prayer (*sung*)

Word to the children (or young-at-heart) : Family histories

Hymn (StF) 242 A new commandment

Collection of the Offering

Blessing of offering & blessing of children (*children then go to classes*)

OT Reading Leviticus 19: 1-4; 9-18. (p.121) read by Alan Steele

NT Reading 1 John 3: 11-18 (p.1226) read by Sylvia Kelley

Hymn (StF) 615 Let love be real

Gospel reading (Rev Beckingham)

Hymn (StF) 409 Let us build a house

Sermon Love changes everything

Intercessions - led by Eileen MacDonald

Hymn

Blessing

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 the Goatley family,
celebrating John's 90th birthday and 60 years of Ministry.
Arranged by Wendy Weston.

The June edition of SPAN is available this morning.

CHURCH ANNIVERSARY – Sunday June 9th

Morning Worship at 10.30am led by Rev John Walker

To be followed by a Bar-be-cue – tickets available from Maggie Maile
£6 for adults, £4 for children.

Whitechapel Mission Collection 28th June to 9th July
Please start collecting Men's clothing, toiletries and breakfast foods
to support the homeless in Whitechapel, East London.

DIARY FOR THE WEEK UP TO SUNDAY 9th JUNE 2019

Tues 4th 5.00pm Brownies (*Alison tel: 422841*)
Wed 5th 10.00am Godaltots (*godaltots@gmail.com*)
Thurs 6th 4.30pm Rainbows (*godalmingrainbows@gmail.com*)
5.45pm Cubs (*cubs@guc.org.uk*)
7.30pm Scouts (*scouts@guc.org.uk*)
Fri 7th 10.30am–2.00pm Church open for private prayer
12 – 1.30pm Lunches
6.00pm Music Kids - (*the keenes@btopenworld.com*)

Sunday 9th June - **CHURCH ANNIVERSARY**

10.30am Morning Worship –led by Rev John Walker
followed by BBQ and entertainment

ADVANCE NOTICES

Wed 12th 12.15 for 12.30pm Lunch Fellowship at the Jack Phillips
8.00pm Church Council
Sat 15th 3-5pm Messy Church
Sat July 13th 7.30pm Musical Concert at GUC

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