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# What's happening at Trinity

#### November 2018

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# All We Can and the Methodist Church's appeal for Indonesia

All We Can and The Methodist Church in Britain are calling for generous support for this urgent appeal for the people of Indonesia, following the destruction caused by the earthquake and tsunami on Sulawesi.

People who have lost everything are in desperate need of water, food, shelter and access to medical care.

On September 28 a deadly earthquake struck Indonesia which triggered a tsunami. Waves more than three metres high swept across the land destroying almost everything in their wake.

Conditions in the devastated area are extremely difficult. The tsunami tore up roads, washed away homes and cut off lines of communication.

Hundreds of people have lost their lives, at least 42,000 people are displaced and more than 1.5 million have been affected. Urgent supplies of food, water, shelter and medical treatment are needed now.

# Statement and prayers from the President and Vice-President of the Methodist Conference and from All We Can

Our hearts, thoughts and prayers go out to all affected by the earthquake and tsunami on Sulawesi Island in Indonesia.

The President and Vice-President of the Methodist Conference, the Revd Michaela A Youngson and Bala Gnanapragasam, share in the shock of all who have heard the news of the devastating tsunami.

"Our thoughts and prayers are with those who have lost so much; those who have been bereaved, those who have been injured and those searching in fear and dismay for their loved ones."

"We know that our Methodist family will respond generously to appeals for money and will pray for the swift rebuilding of the communities so devastated by this disaster."

To donate please visit www.methodist.org.uk and search for 'Appeal for Indonesia' or send cheques payable to 'All We Can' to All We Can, 25 Marylebone Road, London, NW1 5JR or contact 020 7467 5132.

#### Prayer for Indonesia by Claire Welch, All We Can

**Loving Lord** 

We pray for the people in Indonesia affected by the earthquake and tsunami.

For those people not yet reached by aid, we ask for quick access and rescue.

For the families grieving loved ones lost, we ask for comfort and hope. For those without homes and facilities, we ask for basic needs to be met. For those traumatised by the chaos, we ask for calmness and peace. For the aid workers using their skills to help, we ask for wisdom and strength.

For us, as strangers to those in need, help us to respond as neighbours. We ask for all of these things in Jesus' name.

Amen

# **Lest We Forget by Kathy Keeley**

The Town is planning a particularly action packed Remembrance Sunday (11<sup>th</sup> November) to supplement the Living History Day on the 6<sup>th</sup> October which went ahead despite the rainy weather. Competition for resources has led to war throughout the ages. In Ecclesiastes 3 the Bible says "Everything that happens in this world happens at the time God chooses.... He sets the time for love and the time for hate, the time for war and the time for peace." Wars happen when people are frustrated, desperate or yearning for what they don't have. There are gains and there are losses as resources are redistributed and a new equilibrium is reached. Jesus preached at a time when the Holy Land was occupied by the Romans. His response when asked whether he should pay taxes to the Roman Emperor was, "Pay the Emperor what belongs to the Emperor and pay God what belongs to God." (Mark 12:17). Isaiah 3 reassures us that ultimately peace will come, "(God) will settle disputes among great nations. They will hammer their swords into ploughs and their spears into pruning knives." However, we should always remember that some lose their lives because of disputes today as much as in the past. Some also find themselves in alien environments where they have to learn new skills in cultures that aren't familiar to them. These are the peace makers of the future.

# Where are they now! Christine Lawley

I first came to Leighton Buzzard in September 1991 to take up a post in the Maths Department of Vandyke Upper School.

I left in August 1998 to take up the post of Head of Maths at Crawley Holy Trinity C of E School where I remain. Although from September I will have relinquished the headship going down to a 3 day week and becoming just a teacher. I will remain responsible for key stage 5 sixth form maths.

I live in Horsham where I have been a member of the Methodist Church there since 1998. I joined the singing group and was its leader until 2011. I have done all the jobs open to the congregation including church steward, church organist, communion steward, collection counter and shared in the Methodist version of Alpha course. I have felt a call to preach and I am working through the worship and preaching course which I hope to complete sometime next year.

During my time in Leighton Buzzard I was involved in the life of Trinity. I remember playing the piano when the Drama Group had their Christmas Pantomimes. I shared in many of the musical services and concerts that Trinity choir were involved in. I was choir mistress for a while and when the church installed an electronic organ I used to play for services and the occasional wedding.

I was also a member of Milton Keynes Sinfonia playing for their many concerts. Mary Hutchinson whom some will remember, got me to join the Methodist Church Music Society and I became its training officer from 2006 to 2011.

I send greetings to all those who remember me.

(submitted by Colin Dimmock)

# **Bulletin Blooper (Just for laughs)**

Barbara remains in the hospital and needs blood donors for more transfusions. She is also having trouble sleeping and requests tapes of Pastor Nelson's sermons.

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# **Adaptation from Bible Notes**

A man found a cocoon of a butterfly. One day a small opening appeared. He sat and watched the butterfly for several hours as it struggled to force its body through that little hole.

Then it seemed to stop making any progress. It appeared as if it had got as far as it could, and it could go no further.

So the man decided to help the butterfly. He took a pair of scissors and snipped off the remaining bit of the cocoon.

The butterfly then emerged easily. But it had a swollen body and small shrivelled wings.

The man continued to watch the butterfly because he expected that at any moment, the wings would enlarge and expand to be able to support the body, which would contract in time.

Neither happened! In fact the butterfly spent the rest of its life crawling around with a swollen body and shrivelled wings. It never was able to fly.

What the man, in his kindness and haste did not understand was that the restricting cocoon and the struggle required for the butterfly to get through the tiny opening were God's way of forcing fluid from the body of the butterfly into its wings so that it would be ready for flight one it achieved it freedom form the cocoon.

Sometimes struggles are exactly what we need in our lives. If God allowed us to go through our lives without any obstacles, it would cripple us.

We would not be as strong as what we could have been. We could never fly!

(Sent in by Pamela Warren)

# **Sunday Services during November**

Date & Service	Led by	Steward	
4th November			
8.30am— Holy Communion	Rev. Seung-Wook Jung	Elizabeth Hitchcock	
10.30am—Morning Worship	Peter Baker (Preaching Series part 5)	Charles Horsefield	
6.00pm—Evening Worship	Elisabeth Bibbings	Ann Guy	
11th November—Remem	brance Sunday		
9.15am Early Church	Rev. Seung-Wook Jung & Jane Seaton—The Church: Looking back	Anne Gray	
10.30am—Morning Worship	Geoff Best	Catherine Roots	
6.00pm—Evening Worship	Peter Baker	Alison Arnold	
18th November			
10.30am—Morning Worship with Communion	Rev. Seung-Wook Jung (Preaching Series part 6)	Charles Horsefield	
6.00pm—Evening Worship	Rev. Seung-Wook Jung	Ann Guy	
25th November			
9.15am—Early Church	Jo Baker & Graham Seaton— The Church: Looking forward	Anne Gray	
10.30am—Morning Worship	Rev. Andrew Godfrey from Christian Aid	Jacqui Donaghy	

25th November (continued)		
6.00pm—Evening Worship	Colin Quine	Alison Arnold

Door Stewards at 10.30am Morning Worship		
4th November	Janette Cook, Janet Graham & Van Howard	
11th November	Janette Cook, Janet Graham & Joan Edwards	
18th November	Janette Cook, Janet Graham & Joan Edwards	
25th November	Irene Hyde, Tony Oldroyd & Debbie Adams	

Coffee Team		
4th November	Janet Curzon, Heather Watkins & Joan Gregory	
11th November	Tim & Elizabeth Hitchcock & Christ Bosworth	
18th November	Charles & Sue Horsefield & Debbie Adams	
25th November	Irene Hyde & The Wray Family	

Flowers	
4th November	Alan Curtis in loving memory of his dear wife Doris
11th November	Remembrance Day
18th November	Marina & Carina Mele in loving memory of Marina's father and brother
25th November	Evelyn Frankland in loving memory of my darling husband Derek

# Tuesday Morning Service (10am) will be led by:

6th November	Rev. Seung-Wook Jung (with Holy Communion)
13th November	Ann Guy
20th November	Geoff Best
27th November	Stephen Poxon

# Coming up at Trinity and in the South Bedfordshire Circuit

Please see posters in the hallway or see the Trinity website for more details. Alternatively contact the Church Office.

Thurs 1st	Trinity	MHA 75th Birthday Celebration.
November,	Trifficy	Soup & Roll lunch with dessert &
11.30am-2pm		Tea/coffee. £6. Bring and Buy stall.
		Please see Catherine Roots or Joan
		Gregory for information.
Sat 3rd	Harlington	Second Hand Book Sale (please see
November,	Methodist	poster on the notice board)
10am-3pm	Church	
Sat 3rd	High Town	Caribbean Evening. Tickets £12
November, 7pm	Methodist	(under 16s £6). Please contact Hazel
	Church	(01582 475940), Shirley (01582
		595170) or Coleen (01582 471260)
		for tickets.
Mon 5th	Trinity	Lammas Walk House Group
November, 8pm		
Mon 5th	Trinity	Severn Walk House Group
November, 8pm	, ,	
Tues 6th	Trinity	Trinity Fellowship Circle: Hot Potato
November,	,	Night—Members Evening
7.30pm		
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Sat 10th November, 12noon-3pm	Farley Hill Methodist Church	Table top sale
Sat 10th November, 7.30pm	Toddington Village Hall	Tall tales and Tatties Quiz. Please see poster in hallway.
Tues 13th November, 7.30pm	Trinity	Tuesday Fellowship Circle: Marilyn's Music
Thurs 15th November, 12noon	Trinity	DECEMBER TRUMPETER DEADLINE
Sat 17th November, 7.30pm	The Square	The Big Quiz Night. Hundreds of churches. Thousands of people. One Big Quiz. Contact Circuit office (01582665799) or Elisabeth Bibbings (01525 872026)
Mon 19th November, 8pm	Trinity	Lammas Walk House Group
Mon 19th November, 8pm	Trinity	Severn Walk House Group
Tues 20th November, 7.30pm	Trinity	Trinity Fellowship Circle: Evacuees Association with Mrs. F.D.S. Gordon
Wed 21st November, 2pm	Trinity	The Disciple Group (Edwards' House Group)
Tues 27th November, 7.30pm	Trinity	Tuesday Fellowship Circle: Preparing for Christmas
Sat 15th December, 7.30pm	St. Barnabas Church, Linslade	Leighton Buzzard Festival Singers are performing Handel's Messiah. Please see poster in corridor for more details.

## **Mission in Britain**

Mission in Britain is the chosen charity for our special collection after the 10.30am service for November.

The Mission in Britain Fund is an essential part of the One Mission purpose of the Methodist Church, with the aim of reaching those in need and supporting our calling to share the gospel in Britain. This fund exists to further the Methodist Church's mission by making grants to help change lives and transform local communities. Thanks to your giving to the Mission in Britain Fund, we can support projects like the Blackpool Food Partnership (BFP), which works alongside Springfield Methodist Church to help low-income families and individuals.

In the last year, we introduced **#igive2mission**, a new partnership with Stewardship offering individual Methodists an opportunity to make regular donations to the connexional funds via direct debit.

# Key statistics for the Mission in Britain Fund

- In 2016/2017, income to the Mission in Britain Fund was £881.000.
- Nearly £2 million of grants were awarded to projects around Britain. We continue to meet the shortfall in income through our charitable reserves.

### The Mission in Britain Fund needs your support for:

- mission-related work to support the poor and prevent injustice
- ministering opportunities at Methodist heritage sites
- chaplaincy schemes
- the use of church properties in imaginative and innovative ways to serve local communities
- sharing the gospel with people of all ages.

(Information taken from www.methodist.org.uk)

# Trinity Fellowship Circle—A hand for Kye

Kye is a little boy who lost his limbs after contracting Meningitis. Through the generosity of friends at Trinity Fellowship Circle and a donation from myself and a cousin after a family bereavement, I was able to send a cheque for £450. Thank you everyone.

From Margaret Dover

For more information please see https://www.facebook.com/superherokye/

## **Weekly activities**

For contact details please see the Church Directory or contact the Church Office (01525 371905 or tttprojectoffice@gmail.com)

Badminton	Monday 8-10pm	Jan Cornfoot	
Trinity Toddlers	Tuesday & Friday 9.45-11.15am (Term time only)	Karen Purton	
Trinity Fellowship Circle	Tuesday 7.30-9pm	Marilyn Powell	
Beavers	Thursday		
Cubs	Tuesday	Richard Bates	
Scouts	Thursday		
Drop-in for the homeless	Wednesday	Charles Horsefield	
Sewing Circle	Alternate Thursday 2-4pm	Sandra Digby	
Girls' Brigade	Friday 6-9.30pm	Marilyn Powell	
Prayers	Saturday 9-10am	Joan Gregory	

# **Prayer Diary for November 2018**

#### helping us focus on the needs of our Church and community.

#### Please pray for:

- Those of our congregation whose name begins with T/U.
- Worship Leaders at Trinity in October (see pages 6−8)
- Events at Trinity and around the circuit (see pages 8-9)
- Preaching Series at Trinity 'Church': The past, present & future of our church
- Methodist Mission in Britain

#### **Teams at Trinity** - in particular:

• Trinity Toddlers led by Karen Purton

## Our local neighbourhood:

• Pulford VA C of E Lower School

#### Pray to God for the world around us:

- Our hearts, thoughts and prayers go out to all affected by the earthquake and tsunami on Sulawesi Island in Indonesia and those working to bring hope and security to those affected
- For those who are hungry