Trinity News

Sunday 7th & 14th August 2022



The Front Page by Rev. Seung-Wook Jung

It's been 5 years since I started in the South Bedfordshire Circuit as a minister. So many things have happened, especially in the last couple of years.

We have been through many strange and difficult times and have not left it behind us quite yet., but we have been working together as a church and family in Christ. We have been supporting and caring for each other. Without that help, I could not be here and expecting another 5 years of ministry in Trinity.

Tasha, Ben and their two lovely girls are a few of the many wonderful helpers. Tasha is the administrator, Messy Church coordinator, and one of the Early Church leaders with Ben. Ben has also committed himself as a local preacher and a musician in Early Church. Sadly, they are now moving to Cambridge to start a new adventure in their lives in Christ as Ben has been accepted to train for ordained ministry within the Church of England. So, it is sad that we have to let them go (I would not want to let them go if the reason was not for Ben going into ministry), but I know that it is an exciting and fearful moment for them as they get into the life of ministry, just as I have experienced.

We must not just let them go but send them with our love and blessing as they begin another stage of serving God.

I thank Tasha, Ben, Phoebe-Grace and Miriam for their help and commitment all the time they have been with us. I also give them a blessing to their new .start and new adventure. I know that the love of God and wisdom of the Holy Spirit will always be with them in the ways of serving God.

Sunday 7th August 2022

Time	Service (at Trinity unless stated otherwise)	Led by	
8.30am	Early Morning Communion	Rev. Seung-Wook Jung	
10.30am	Morning Worship with Holy Communion	Rev. Seung-Wook Jung	
6.00pm	Evening Worship on Zoom	Rev. Dr. Ebute Obiabo	

Activities during this week at Trinity

Date	Time	What?
Tuesday 9th August	10.00am	Mid week Service led by Roger Owers

Sunday 14th August 2022

Ordinary 20

Time	Service (at Trinity unless stated otherwise)	Led by	
10.30am	Morning Worship	Local Arrangement led by Ann Guy	
6.00pm	Evening Worship on Zoom	Rev. Patrick Kandeh	

Activities during this week at Trinity

Date	Time	What?
Tuesday 16th August	10.00am	Mid week Service led by Joan Gregory
Wednesday 17th August	3.00pm	Horsefield's Fellowship Group meet in the Chatteris Suite. New members are welcome for bible study, fellowship and refreshments.
Thursday 18th August	215pm	Knit and natter in the Chatteris Suite

Sunday 21st August 2022

Ordinary 21

Time	Service (at Trinity unless stated otherwise)	Led by	
10.30am	Morning Worship	Local Arrangement led by Alison Arnold	
Evening Worship on Zoom		Colin Quine	

Activities during this week at Trinity

Date	Time	What?
Tuesday 23rd August	10.00am	Mid week Service led by Peter Baker

Zoom Links

Sunday Evening Worship

Join Zoom Meeting

https://zoom.us/j/94865623492?

pwd=RlozVHRhYnFrcEU1cUJjdHZxUDQzQT09

One tap mobile

+442080806591,,94865623492#,,,,*494002# United Kingdom

Dial by your location

+44 208 080 6591 United Kingdom

Meeting ID: 948 6562 3492 Passcode: 494002

Trinity Notices

Midweek Bible Study Group

The Midweek Bible Study Groups will be taking a break over the summer. The last meeting will be on 20th July and will resume on 7th September.

Tasha Williams

As announced in the last edition of Trinity News, Tasha Williams and her family will be leaving Leighton Buzzard shortly. Tasha has been our Church Administrator and Messy Church Co-ordinator for over six years and will be sorely missed in both of these roles.

She has agreed to continue to do some Church Admin work remotely until the end of September but she will not be here to run any more Messy Church events. We would like to thank Tasha for all that she has contributed to our Church Life and to wish her well in her new life.

In view of the present serious financial position of the Church, we shall not be able to recruit anyone else to take on Tasha's roles for the time being. We shall be holding a Gift Day on 15 October to raise funds to help us balance our books and it is only if this is successful that we shall be able to consider recruitment again.

In the meantime, the Leadership Team is looking to cover as much of Tasha's work as we can using voluntary effort. If you are able to help, please speak to a member of the Leadership Team.

Creating a safer space safeguarding course—Foundation Course

We will be holding 'Creating a safer space' training at Trinity for anyone who needs to update their training or who has never attended a course. This is a completely new course and is for all people working with children or adults within the church. If you have not attended training since 2018 or before and are a pastoral visitor or involved in any of the groups with children and adults within the church, this is for you. The course will take place at 9.30am on Wednesday 17 August in the church. It will last for approximately three hours with a break for refreshments.

For additional dates within the South Bedfordshire Circuit please see page 8-9.

If you would like to attend please contact Ann Guy on 371712 or by email. Leave a message on the answerphone if I am not in. Ann Guy

Charity of the Month—Messy Church

Messy Church is a way of being church for families and others. It is Christ-centred, for all ages, based on creativity, hospitality and celebration. There are 2276 Messy Churches in over 30 countries on our directory.

Messy Church

- is a way of being church for families involving fun
- is a church, not a craft club, that helps people encounter Jesus

as Lord and Saviour

- is found across the world
- values are about being Christ-centred, for all ages, based on creativity, hospitality and celebration
- is part of BRF which believes, with the historic churches, in one God, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Donations to Messy Church help to support training for leaders, the development of resources for churches to use and support for churches in delivering Messy Church.

Messy Church Extra at Trinity has been going for almost a year now (with some COVID interruptions), but regularly brings in 30-50 people of all ages, some families connected with Early Church and others from around Leighton Buzzard and Linslade. There is a period of activities, a short celebration service followed by a meal for all.

Games Fellowship

The Games Fellowship Group will start in the Main Hall on Thursday 8th September 2022 at 2.00pm to 4.30. We will meet on alternate Thursdays so keep a note of the date

If you are interested in playing board or card games then you are very much invited to come along. This will be an open group and so you can bring friends along too. There will be a weekly subscription of £3 which will go towards refreshments and heat and light.

Catherine Roots and Peter Baker will be co leaders of the sessions and if you are thinking of attending or want to know more do let Catherine know on 01525 754789.

Circuit & District News

Methodist Prayer Handbook 2022/23

The theme for the 2022/2023 Prayer Handbook is 'The Greatest Commandment': Matthew 22:37-39. It contains prayers calling for the Methodist Church to be the Church that God desires; and how we should live out Our Calling, as we respond to the gospel of God's love in Christ through discipleship, worship and mission.

Copies are available (A5 or A4 large print) at a cost of £4.50 from https://www.methodistpublishing.org.uk/features/methodist-prayer-handbook or by phone on 0845 017 8220.

Advanced Safeguarding Course

Please see below the links for the September advanced course at Hoddesdon and the online version in October.

- https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/394291575717
 September 13th @ 9.30am
- https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/394322498207
 October 25th @ 7pm

If you are unsure whether you need to complete the Advanced training please contact Ann Guy.

<u>Creating a Safer Space Safeguarding Course—Foundation Level</u>

We are offering a total of 6 safeguarding sessions for the rest of the year. The locations will be at Trinity, Barton, Hightown, The Square, Olive Tree, and Wigmore.

Please sign up as soon as possible because we expect these to go quite fast.

The following Eventbrite links need to be completed per person. If you know someone who is unable to use Eventbrite, please

complete the form on their behalf, only if you are certain they can attend.

Any queries please do email Mia in the Circuit Office (07495 740 409 or office@southbedsmethodist.org.uk)

Trinity – Wednesday 17th August 9:30am https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/394566889187

Barton – Saturday 3rd September at 9:30am https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/394569727677

Hightown - 1st October at 9:30am https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/394633177457

The Square – 12th November 1pm https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/394636457267

Olive Tree – 26th November 1pm https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/394641793227

Wigmore – 3rd December at 1pm https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/394637440207

Pastoral Concern

We are asked to remember Patrick Kandeh (our Circuit Superintendent) on the death of his sister Nancy, on 19 July in Sierra Leone. Patrick will remain working until he attends the funeral, and you are asked to remember him in your prayers.

2022 Conference Business digest

There is a copy of the 2022 Methodist Conference Business Digest on the board in the church corridor. If you would like a copy please contact the Church Office. You can see all Conference reports here https://www.methodist.org.uk/about-us/the-methodist-conference/.

Rediscovering and Repurposing for Radical Inclusion

The Methodist City Centre Network is gathering in Bristol on 12 and 13 October 2022.

This two-day gathering promises to be a brilliant space for learning and fellowship. Come together with colleagues across the Connexion involved in town and city centre ministry.

We will hear from and be inspired by various projects in Bristol and across the UK over the two days and bring theology and praxis together as we explore rediscovering and repurposing for radical inclusion. There will be lots of space and time for checking-in and supporting one another in our unique ministries

The link to book is bit.ly/MCCNBristol

Local Community News

The Big NOAH Sleep Out

Spend a night under the stars and wake up to homelessness on Friday 7th October at Wrest Park.

We will not be trying to replicate homelessness, but the event will give a small insight into some of the harsh realities of rough sleeping, like sleeping with just a sleeping bag and cardboard. Otherwise, this will be a fun event to bring the community together and raise awareness of homelessness and raise funds for NOAH services.

Sign up now at noahenterprise.org/the-big-sleepout

Public Issues from 'Cilla Wagner

As we all know, the price of fuel and gas etc. is high and may well become even higher. We may well be considering ways to cut back on our use of electricity and water etc. A few suggestions recently published are:

- Keep your fridge/freezer closed as much as possible and defrost regularly
- Take shorter showers
- Boil only the amount of water needed
- Batch cook when using the oven
- Vegetables can be cooked in the microwave
- Using slow cookers, pressure cookers or smaller oven is a more economical option
- The washing machine consumes a lot of energy. One large load is more cost effective than several small loads. Choosing a lower temperature can also help
- Avoid using the tumble dryer as much as possible and dry washing outside
- Turn off "stand-by" lights where possible

More tips on saving energy will be very welcome. For full details on the amount of electricity required for various household appliances, these can be found on www.sust-it.net and for advice on saving water the website is www.savewatersavemoney.co.uk

Two members of The Square, Dunstable are planning to visit the Maternity hospital in India soon. They have to travel with limited baggage but they are hoping to take unwanted glasses (spectacles) with them. If you have any, please let Phil or I have them to pass on. Many thanks, 'Cilla.

Prayer Diary

Holy Spirit of God, whose energy and gifts equip us to share the good news of Jesus, strengthen local Messy Church teams as they plan their services, granting them ideas for activities, inspiration for celebrations and grace for the welcome and the meal, so that children and adults might be drawn into a community of faith, hope and love, centred on Christ.

Amen

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Please pray for....

- Those who are leading and preaching at Trinity over the coming weeks.
- Trinity members preaching around the Circuit: Catherine Roots, Roger Owers, Peter Baker, Fiona Arscott-Smith
- Events at Trinity and around the South Bedfordshire Circuit over the coming weeks.
- People who live on: Leestone Park
- Those at Trinity who lead and are involved in the Leadership Team
- People who are in the directory whose name begin with O
- Children, parents and staff at BeaudesertLower School
- For the world around us those in Taiwan
- Messy Church, BRF

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The deadline for the next Trinity News will be Wednesday 17th August at Midday. Please send contributions to trinityweeklynews@gmail.com