Trinity News

18th, 25th May 2025



A Call to Pray

May my conversations be significant,

May my meetings be blessed,

May my path cross the paths of others who love You.

May my paths cross the paths of others who don't know

You.

May my touch be the touch of infinite gentleness,

May my words be Your words of wisdom,

May my eyes see with your compassion.

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Services and activities at Trinity

Sunday 18 May	10:30am	Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Rev Seung-wook Jung. Retiring collection for Christian Aid
	11:30am	Annual Church Meeting
	4:00pm	Messy Church led by Tania Stanford
	6:00pm	Evening Worship by zoom led by Rev Joanne Sherwood
Tuesday 20 May	10:00am	Midweek service led by Chris Lowe
Thursday 22 May	2:00pm	Games Fellowship
Sunday 25 May	9:15am	Early Church led by Rev Seung-wook Jung
	10:30am	Morning Worship Local Arrangement led by Ann Guy
	6:00pm	Evening Worship by zoom led by Rev Nigel Bibbings
Tuesday 27 May	10:00am	Midweek service led by Fiona Arscott- Smith
Wednesday	2:00pm	Afternoon bible study by zoom
28 May	8:00pm	Evening bible study by zoom
Thursday 29 May	2:15pm	Knit and Natter
Sunday 1 June	9:15am	Early Church led by Steve and Karen Purton
	10:30am	Morning Worship led by Chris Berry
	6:00pm	Evening Worship by zoom led by Catherine Roots
Everyone is welcome to our services and activities—contact the Church Office for more details.		

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Pastoral News

Terry Brooks

Terry Brooks has moved to Leighton Forest Care Home, room 6, Plantation Road, and would welcome visitors!

Grace Horsfall

Thank you to kind friends at Trinity for the cards and good wishes received on her 98th birthday.

God bless you, Grace

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Local Arrangements at Trinity

As you may know, Rev Nigel Bibbings is retiring in August 2025. The number of ministers and local preachers across our Circuit is going down. This means there will be more Local Arrangements (LAs) where members of the congregation present the service. We expect there to be one LA per month at 10.30 during summer months. While readings, hymns, prayers and reflections for each Sunday are available through The Vine and Roots resources, people are needed to organise the service and present it. If you are asked to help please consider it a privilege.

Thank you.

Giving at Trinity

The amount given to Trinity in April was $\pm 4,995$. In addition we budget for the equivalent of ± 1000 per month in Gift Aid. According to our budget our expected monthly expenditure is $\pm 6,400$.

The retiring collection in April raised £160 for LWPT.

Community Action Group

Below is a summary of the latest CAG Newsletter, May 2025

Constituency Action Network

A number of Trinity members and others met with Alex Mayer MP at Trinity recently. She was very amenable but clearly does not see the need to address pockets of poverty in our town as a high priority. On the other hand she is generally prepared to take up local issues that we draw to her attention and she wrote afterwards indicating that she is looking forward to working with us.

Community Engagement

Our outgoing Charity of the Year, LB Mencap, have held a coffee morning at Trinity for the families of children they support. And on 21 June we are hosting a fund-raising coffee morning for our new Charity of the Year, Marie Curie. Offers of help from Trinity will be gratefully accepted. Plans for this and for other community events will be on the agenda at future CAG meetings.

Recycling hub

We now have a cupboard in which to store donated bedding, crockery, utensils etc which we can pass to anyone in need. When Chris Berry comes from Luton to preach, he generally takes away a car-load for the Afghan Asylum Seekers, and recently Rev Claudia Lupi from Dunstable took some for a refugee known to her, who is about to be re-housed. These goods will be available to anyone visiting the church who is in need. Donations of dry goods and toiletries for the food banks have slowed to a trickle recently but whenever the box in the hall corridor fills up, the contents are stored in our cupboard and then taken to one of the food banks.

Date of the next CAG Meeting – Monday 19 May at 10.30am, in the Anteroom – all welcome

Circuit District and Connexional News

Circuit Mission Month (24 May – 27 June)

Events have been planned across the Circuit for Mission Month. A full schedule is available on the church Hall noticeboard – events during May are below:

- Saturday 31st May Edlesborough Coffee Morning 10.00-12noon
- Wednesday 28th May Aley Green Coffee Evening 19.30 (In aid of Christian Aid)
- Friday 30th May Leagrave High Street Holiday Club ages 6-12
- Sunday 1st June
 - $\circ~$ The Square Café Church 10.15-11.30
 - Strathmore Avenue Community Breakfast 0830-10.00
 - \circ Toddington- Muddy Church 10.00

Rev Claudia Lupi

It has been announced that, due to personal and family circumstances, Reverend Claudia Lupi will cease her appointment and current responsibilities as the minister with pastoral charge for Harlington, and The Square Methodist Churches with effect from 31st August 2026.

Circuit Local Preachers Celebration Service Sunday 18th May

This service will be held at Strathmore Avenue Methodist Church, Luton. The service will begin at 6pm with refreshments served from 4.30pm. During the service there will be presentations of long service certificates to Michael Adams and Jacqui Stamp.

Working out Worship (Methodist Learning Network)

Working out Worship is a series to help *anyone* who is looking to resource worship in their Local Church. The next series will take place by zoom on Monday evenings in June, 7-9pm. For full details, and to book, see <u>https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/working-out-worship-3859703</u>

Future dates for your diary

Wednesday 18 June 2:30-4:00pm—Wednesday Fellowship meets in the Chatteris Suite

Saturday 21 June 10am-11.30am Marie Curie coffee morning at Trinity



Wednesday 25th June 10.30am-3.00pm Let the Spirit flow - A creative retreat day with a Pentecost theme at Eaton Bray Methodist Church (contact Jenny.spouge@methodist.org.uk) or see poster on the corridor notice board.

Saturday 28 June 10am Pastoral meeting for all Pastoral Friends and Links

Sunday 29 June 10.30am—Church Anniversary/Bring a Friend (who will you invite?)

Sunday 13 July Circuit Open Air service on Dunstable Downs (no 9.15 or 10.30 service at Trinity)

Sunday 20 July 10.30am Pastoral Commissioning Service

Zoom links

Sunday Evening Worship <u>https://zoom.us/j/94865623492?</u> pwd=RlozVHRhYnFrcEU1cUJjdHZxUDQzQT09

By phone—0208 080 6591 Meeting ID: 948 6562 3492 Passcode: 494002

Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study 2pm https://zoom.us/j/92877340921? pwd=Y2x3MUdTeFpWT0YvenUxMXZDNTArdz09

By phone—0330 088 5830 Meeting ID: 928 7734 0921 Passcode: 869411

Wednesday Evening Bible Study 8pm https://zoom.us/j/97662553267? pwd=ektDbjZ4VkVxdVNxUWp2cUxtb3dIUT09 By phone—0203 481 5237 Meeting ID: 976 6255 3267 Passcode: 873153 If you need help joining our Zoom services please contact Catherine Roots.

Prayer Diary

Please pray for....

- Those who are leading at Trinity and around the Circuit: Fiona Arscott-Smith, Roger Owers, Rev Seung-wook Jung, Rev Joanne Sherwood, Tania Stanford, Chris Lowe, Ann Guy, Rev Nigel Bibbings, Steve and Karen Purton, Chris Berry, Catherine Roots
- All those who visited our stall at the May Fayre
- The Circuit Leadership team as they consider feedback from the Circuit Listening Day on April 26
- The work of Christian Aid
- All those in our congregation who are ill, in hospital or awaiting medical treatment and those who care for them.
- All those who mourn
- All who live on Chamberlains Bridge and Briggington housing estates
- Teachers and pupils at Gilbert Inglefield Academy
- All those in our Church Directory whose name begins with J

The deadline for the next Trinity News is 12noon Wednesday 28th May 2025. Send contributions to : trinityweeklynews@gmail.com or the Anteroom letter rack attention Anne Gray.

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