

Trinity News

20th, 27th July 2025



Methodist Conference 2025

Highlights from Conference Business Digest

The Conference agreed to begin a process of revising the **Church's authorised liturgies**. The first stage will consider the style and language to be used in the resources to enable the Church's worship to be as inclusive as possible.

Conference considered the importance of being reflective in relation to **healing prayer** and adopted pastoral guidance for responding to such requests for prayer. It will explore how the church might be more inclusive of neurodivergent people, as well as ways to address ableism in the Church.

A review of existing practices highlighted the need for significant changes in the processes governing the **stationing of ministers** within the Methodist Church.

Conference directed that a task group be established to review the Conference's position with regard to **assisted dying**.

Hope in God's Future was compiled in 2011 to support work to aspire to net zero. It will be revisited and updated, and more resources created to encourage churches to carry on the work to aspire to achieve net zero by 2030.

Appointments included the reappointment of Revd Dr Jonathan Hustler as Secretary of the Conference for a further five years from 1 September 2026.

(Full digest on the Church notice board)

Services and activities at Trinity

Sunday 20 July	10:30am	Morning Worship and Pastoral Commissioning Service with Holy Communion led by Rev Seung-wook Jung. Retiring collection for MHA.
	4:00pm	Messy Church led by Tania Stanford
	6:00pm	Evening Worship by zoom led by Rev Claudia Lupi
Monday 21 July	8:00pm	Badminton at Trinity
Tuesday 22 July	10:00am	Midweek service led by Chris Berry
Thursday 24 July	2:15pm	Knit and Natter
Sunday 27 July	9:15am	Early Church led by Rev Seung-wook Jung
	10:30am	Morning Worship is a Local Arrangement led by Chris Lowe
	6:00pm	Evening Worship by zoom led by Catherine Roots
Tuesday 29 July	10:00am	Midweek service led by Rev Wallace Edwards
Wednesday 30 July	2:30pm	Wednesday Fellowship Group
Thursday 31 July	2:00pm	Games Fellowship

- Badminton resumes on Monday 1 September
- Zoom bible study resumes on Wednesday 10 September
- Knit & Natter and Games Fellowship continue through the summer.
- Early Church will be meeting at different venues during August – check the church calendar!

<https://www.trinitylb.org.uk/Calendar/Month.aspx>

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Families worker at Trinity

As part of our mission and outreach Trinity is looking to employ a Families Worker who will work with existing volunteers organise our monthly 'Messy Church' celebrations and to re-establish our weekly Trinity Toddlers Group. The post is 25 hours per month with funding initially for two years. If you know anyone who may be interested, please ask them to contact Alison Arnold email: ali.leighton@hotmail.co.uk. Deadline noon Friday 25 July 2025.

Church Directory update

You are reminded to submit your consent form for the updated Church Directory to be published in November. You can either complete a paper form or the online google form here: <https://forms.gle/PqQs3fbpZYghnhq19>.

Deadline: 3rd August.

Marie Curie coffee morning

The coffee morning on Saturday 21 June in aid of Marie Curie raised £176.03 in addition to the £83.50 raised by the Bring and Buy stall. A big thank you to all who gave so generously.

Wednesday Fellowship Group 30th July at 2:30pm

The Wednesday Fellowship Group meets in the Chatteris Suite on 30 July at 2:30pm. Contact Sue or Charles Horsefield for further information.

Community Action Group

Resource cupboard

There are lots of things going on in churches under the banner of community action. At Trinity our focus is the recycling of household goods and furniture. So many of us are "downsizing", having found that as we are getting older our family homes are too big for us. And we find we have far more household goods, kitchenware, bedding and even small items of furniture than we need. It used to be a problem finding somewhere to put all of this stuff while we were finding a new home for it but now the Community Action Group have a cupboard in the Chatteris and over the past few weeks there has been a steady flow in and out of it. Chris Berry in particular is happy to take resources for refugees housed in Dunstable. A specific request from one of his refugee contacts is for storage space - if someone has a bit of space in an unused garage for example please speak to me or talk to Chris when he leads Tuesday worship on Tuesday 22 July. To look at our "stock list" or see what is in the cupboard have a word with Wendy Williams or myself.

The next Community Action Group meeting is at 3:00pm on Monday 21 July in the anteroom - all welcome.

Charles Horsefield

Recycling Update.

It is good to report that all the major Supermarkets in Leighton Linlade now have facilities for recycling soft plastic eg bread bags, biscuit, sweet and crisp wrappers. Boots have now put in place an area for recycling in three ways: empty cosmetic and skin care containers and dental items; blister packs; and unwanted toiletries (soap, toothpaste etc.) for their Hygiene Bank to support those struggling to afford such vital needs.

Blessings, *Cilla*

Circuit District and Connexional News

You are warmly invited to:

A Farewell Service for Rev Nigel Bibbings



*Nigel is retiring after serving as a minister for
9 years in the South Beds Methodist Circuit*

Venue: Eaton Bray Methodist Church

Date: 3rd August 2025

Time: 4pm

*Please join us afterwards for refreshments in
the school room*

There is roadside parking in Totternhoe Road, or round the corner in The Orchards, avoiding obstructing neighbours' driveways please. Wherever possible, people are asked to 'car share'.

All churches are invited to bring food, but please label all items appropriately regarding allergies / sensitivities BEFORE donating them.

There will be a list on the noticeboard in the church corridor for you to indicate if you would like a lift or have a space in your car. Please use this to arrange lifts.

Beech Hill Methodist Church

Beech Hill Methodist Church, Luton, are holding a special service of thanksgiving and prayer for the life of their church on Sunday 20 July as they start a year of asking God's guidance for their future. We are asked to support them in prayer.

A Prayer for Beech Hill Church

Loving Father,

We give thanks for the life of Beech Hill church,

And all it has meant to those who have been associated with it.

Bless us and guide us as we place our trust in you.

Deepen our faith and teach us how to pray.

Show us how we can witness to your love,
as we seek the future for the life of our church.

In Jesus name.

Amen



Everyone is welcome to our services and activities—contact the Church Office for more details.

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Winter Warmth Agents

Winter Warmth Agents can provide support and information on services available locally in Central Bedfordshire to help reduce fuel poverty for anyone over the age of 50.

The service is free of charge. They can visit you in your home, somewhere in your community or talk by phone.

The Winter Warmth Agents can help with:

- Keeping warm in your home
- Managing your fuel bills
- Becoming healthier and more active
- Complete a benefits check
- Access a Warm or Welcome Space
- Joining a local group or voluntary opportunity
- Access a Foodbank

Contact: winterwarmthagents@bedsrcc.org.uk or
Tel 01234 838771

Future dates for your diary

Sunday 28 September at 10.30am – Harvest Festival service

Thursday 2 October at 2.30pm – Harvest Celebration and Cake

Sunday 12 October at 2.30pm – Memorial Service for those who have died over the past year

Zoom links

Sunday Evening Worship

<https://zoom.us/j/94865623492?pwd=RlozVHRhYnFrcEU1cUJjdHZxUDQzQT09>

By phone—0208 080 6591

Meeting ID: 948 6562 3492 Passcode: 494002

If you need help joining our Zoom service please contact Catherine Roots.

Prayer Diary

Please pray for....

- Those who are leading at Trinity and around the Circuit: Peter Baker, Rev Seung-wook Jung, Rev Claudia Lupi, Roger Owers, Fiona Arscott-Smith, Catherine Roots, Tania Stanford, Chris Berry, Chris Lowe, Rev Wallace Edwards
- The work of our Connections Team
- The work of Methodist Homes
- 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 Clipstone Park
- Staff and pupils at all Leighton Schools as they adjourn for the summer holidays
- All those in our Church Directory whose name begins with N

Trinity News for August will be published on 3 August. The deadline is 12noon Wednesday 30 July 2025. Send contributions to: trinityweeklynews@gmail.com or the Anteroom letter rack attention Anne Gray.

There will be only one Trinity News during August

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