

Learning & Development Newsletter

Message from Katie Deadman - Vernall

Welcome to the Learning & Development Newsletter!

This month, we are focusing on what 'challenge' means to us on our discipleship journey.

For me, the word itself is synonymous with life; whether challenge is wanted or not, experienced positively or negatively, 'challenge' feels a part of day-to-day human existence. 'To challenge' may be a significant challenge in itself!

Yet calling into question injustice is a calling on us.

The [Methodist Way of Life website](#) offers a useful starting point for engaging in conversations and reflections on challenging injustice as Christians, and signposts some useful resources.

I hope the month ahead brings you renewed hope and peace; that as Spring warms the air and blossoms unfurl, so too are our hearts warmed through the reassurance of God's eternal presence and our witness of God's unfurling promise; made available to us through all seasons, through all challenges.

Katie Deadman-Vernall

Learning and Development Manager



[The Methodist Way of Life website](#)

[The Learning and Development Network](#)

Resources/Good News

KSS Raises £1m to buy Second Helicopter

KSS air ambulance charity has raised £1m in six weeks to buy a second rescue helicopter outright.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/cx8q8jv5w4do>

**COFFEE
AND CAKE
AT ST. MARY'S
QUARRY ST. GUILDFORD GU1 3UP**

Christian Aid

*– supporting people
on the brink of survival*



THURSDAY

23

MAY

10.30 – 12.00

Everyone welcome



Guildford Opera Company

WED MAY 22 7.30PM
 FRI MAY 24 7.30PM
 SAT MAY 25 6.30PM

Holy Trinity Church
 High Street Guildford GU1 3RR

Tickets available on-line
www.guildfordopera.com
 and also on the door

AIDA

GIUSEPPE VERDI
 SUNG IN ENGLISH

Guildford Opera are performing Verdi's most well-known opera, Aida, in English at Guildford's Holy Trinity Church on Wednesday May 22 & Friday May 24 @7.30pm and Saturday May 25th @6.30pm.

With evocative lighting and accompanied by a chamber orchestra, the church is transformed into the centre of the Lotus Cult, where the tragic love story between Aida and Radames unfolds. For ticket info, discounts and concessions: www.guildfordopera.com/whats-on.

Saturday 25 May, Knaphill Coffee Morning:

MONTHLY COFFEE MORNING AND SALE

TEA
 COFFEE
 BISCUITS
 BACON BUTTIES

**BOOKS, DVDs,
 JIGSAWS, CAKES,
 BRIC-A-BRAC & MORE**

KNAPHILL METHODIST CHURCH HALL

4th Saturday every month (except December)

10am to Noon

POP-UP PLAY CAFÉ

FREE!

Wednesday 29 May 9.30 – 11.30

... call in at
ST. MARY'S
Quarry St
Guildford GU1 3UP

- space to play
- time to relax
- coffee and cake

All ages welcome



Practical Aspects of Spirituality



Join us for

Wesleyan Spirituality

- 'real Christians'
not 'almost Christians'

led by

Allan Taylor

Saturday 22 June

09.30 – 12.00

St. Mary's Church
Guildford GU1 3UP

Refreshments from 09.15

If you would like to attend please email gmc.info@hotmail.co.uk