

Dear Friends,

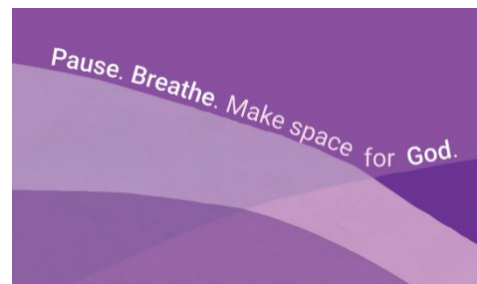
We are now in the Christian/Church season of Easter...40 days until Ascension, 50 days until Pentecost. One of my favourite Christian writers is the late Frederick Buechner and in one of his books, *Secrets in the Dark*, he says this: 'the Sundays after Easter are so precious, and precious because, in their comparatively subdued, low-key way, they seem not only closer to how the resurrection actually took place as the Gospels describe it but, more important still, closer to the reality of the resurrection as you and I are apt to experience it. These everyday Sundays without all the flowers and music and exaltation...'

Buechner also says 'The way the Gospel writers tell it, Jesus came back from death not in a blaze of glory, but more like a candle flame in the dark, flickering first in this place, and then in that place, then in no place at all. They tell it as softly as a secret, as something so precious, and holy, and fragile, and unbelievable, and true, that to tell it any other way would be somehow to dishonour it. To proclaim the resurrection the way they do, you would have to say it in whispers: "Christ has risen". Like that.

So, as we move forward into 'these everyday Sundays' might we continue to whisper the word of the truth of the gospel "Christ has risen". For that is the word that a world in trouble desperately needs to hear. Not the insane words of a sick warmonger nor the unchristian prayers of one of his deputies.

The peace of the Risen Christ be always with you.

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Resources/Good News

Archbishop of Canterbury

Revd. Richard Andrew and Matthew Forsyth, President and Vice President of the Methodist Conference were in Canterbury on 25 March, to witness the installation of Dame Sarah Mullally as Archbishop of Canterbury.

[Listen to their thoughts on the service here](#)

If you read the latest issue of the *Wey Forward*, you will have seen Phil Way's piece on his memories of Sarah, who was born and went to school in Woking.



NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTY



SATURDAY
18TH APRIL 2026
4:00 - 6:00pm
Trinity Methodist Church
Brewery Road, Woking



There will be high tea, entertainment and a fun quiz.



If you know someone who'd appreciate an **invitation**

CONTACT Marian (07749 094064)
Pauline (07729 301713)



Volunteers would be welcome to...
Help on the day or bake a cake

CONTACT Pauline (07729 301713)



To give someone a **lift** or sponsor a **taxi**

CONTACT Hugh Bowerman

Thank you for your continued support.

The Neighbourhood Party Team



The Methodist Church



Celebrating 150 years of
**Horsley Methodist
Church**

Songs of Praise

SATURDAY APRIL 25TH

7.00-9.00PM

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Sunday Service

APRIL 26TH 10.00AM

PREACHER

REV CONRAD HICKS

followed by

LUNCH IN VILLAGE HALL

(BOOKING ESSENTIAL)

STOUGHTON METHODIST CHURCH

(On the corner of Stoughton Road and Grange Road)

COFFEE CORNER

Tuesdays from 10 am – 12 noon



7th April
14th April
21st April
28th April

2026

5th May
12th May
19th May
26th May



Enjoy Coffee & a Chat, Coffee & a Game, or Coffee & a Book
The choice is yours!

Everyone welcome – bring a friend!

Saturday 18 April 2026 2.00-4.00pm

Knaphill Methodist Church, The Broadway, Knaphill GU21 2DR

(between Boots & the old Lloyds Bank)

Clothes4U

a clothes bank supporting the local community

To claim your FREE clothes, collect a voucher from 30+ places in Surrey.

Email us to find out where they are: clothes@knaphillmethodist.co.uk

We can accept donations again, and are looking for clothes for all age groups, but especially for men and teenage boys.

Donations can be left in waterproof bags outside the church on 18 April before 1pm

FREE EVENT



Healthy Ageing Fair

An event for all things health. Physical, mental, financial and legal.

Feeling lost about ageing and later life Find clarity, support and a pool of resources all in one place through a multitude of organisations we've called together to guide and help you.

- Thursday April 30th
 - 14:00 - 16:00
 - QE Baptist Church and community centre
- Guildford, GU2 9LX

COME ALONG!

 FREE ON-SITE PARKING

Get in touch
to find out more

■ 01483 904594

mike.boniface@radfieldhomecare.co.uk

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LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS!?!

*Do you have a conversation in your church
that goes something like this?*

PERSON 1: “We’ve got a (or two, or three!) Local Arrangement(s)
on the Plan this quarter. What are we going to do?”

PERSON 2: “Oh no! I don’t know! Do you think we could get away
with another ‘Songs of Praise’ service? Or can we find someone
else to do it for us?”



Well... DON'T PANIC! Help is at hand!

We've finally got round to planning a session to help you with
some ideas, resources and encouragement.

(Apologies for the delay, someone was a bit poorly!)

Who it's for? Stewards, Worship Leaders;
anyone in the Congregation that it's interested really!

Where? TRINITY, WOKING

When? Sat 30th May, 2.30-4.30pm

**SAVE THE DATE - MORE INFORMATION TO
FOLLOW NEARER THE TIME!**

Weybridge Male Voice Choir's

Spring Concert

Join us for an evening of eclectic and varied repertoire with surprises and debut performances along with refreshments afterwards!



Retiring Collection for..



Prostate
Cancer
Research

pcr.org.uk

**WITH GUEST SOLOIST
ANXO GARCIA
WINNER OF THE WOKING YOUNG
MUSICIAN OF THE YEAR 2026**



**Friday
24th April
7.30pm**

Christ The Prince of Peace, Portmore Way,
Weybridge, KT13 8JD

Adults - £15 Under 12s - Free

Tickets can be purchased via
choir members or online at
www.ticketsource.co.uk/weybridgemvc



Pastoral Support

Advocacy

Accommodation

SUSTAINING HOPE IN 2026

Interpreting

Foodbanks

Drop-In Centres



Place of Sanctuary

Are you involved, or interested, in supporting
Refugees, Migrants & Displaced Persons?

Befriending

English practice

The Methodist South-East District 'Sustaining Hope' spring gathering for 2026

Cafes

will include

Form-filling

- time to network

- Rev Nigel Cowgill, Global Communities Officer: '*Being a Global Community*'
- Mary Barrett, Immigration Detention Visitor: '*Support, friendship, advocacy*'

Date: Saturday, 25th April, 10.00am - 1.30pm

(Refreshments from 9.45am)

Resettlement
Schemes

Venue: Redhill Methodist Church, RH1 1BP

Redhill Station is 5 minutes' walk away

NCP car park on Gloucester Road opposite the church

Clothing Banks

Liaising with other Agencies

To register, for more information, or for the
livestreaming link, please email
Rev Hazel Forecast at

hazel.forecast@methodist.org.uk

Mother-tongue worship

Something else...



Memory Lane

Presents

MUSICAL MEMORIES

A concert given by

MEMORY LANE MUSICIANS

with Supporting Artists

25 SATURDAY
APRIL Doors open 2pm
Concert 2.30pm – 4.30pm

Cranleigh Baptist Church

Tickets: £10, to include
refreshments during the interval

Call: 07876 528704



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