

Dear Friends,

Last Sunday, as you know, was Trinity Sunday and because I have been 'laid up' I took the opportunity to dip into more than one online service in different parts of the country. Each service was conducted by a Methodist presbyter, two females and one male. The first and most obvious difference was how they were dressed. One wore trousers and only a clerical shirt and clerical collar (presumably because of the heat), another wore cassock, stole and clerical collar and a third wore cassock, gown, preaching bands, stole and clerical collar. Another difference was the length of their sermons...20 mins, 17 mins and 12 mins. And a final difference was the content of their sermons...one taking the grace of Jesus, the love of God and the communion of the Spirit as their theme, another majoring on Rublev's icon of the Trinity and the third discoursing on the penultimate sentence of Matthew's gospel. And if we could have been a fly on the wall during every service in every chapel in the Connexion what an infinite variety we would have experienced!

One important matter I would like to draw to your attention: Pope Leo XIV's encyclical *Magnifica Humanitas* (Magnificent Humanity). In his first encyclical the Pope addresses what he considers a new industrial revolution fuelled by AI. Leo offers a series of reflections to help guide the world through the challenges and risks posed by AI:

- He recommends disarming AI by removing it from economic, military and personal interests.
- He apologises for slavery (new colonialism and new forms of slavery).
- He pushes for regulation of AI – everyone must do their part.
- He rethinks the 'just war' theory.
- He seeks alternatives to GDP to measure development.

I think that these are matters of great importance to Methodists as well as Catholics, matters for our thoughts and our prayers.

Blessings,

Allan

Resources/Good News

Celebrate Action for Children Sunday

Inspire your congregation to make a real difference by celebrating Action for Children Sunday - a much-loved moment rooted in the charity's longstanding partnership with the Methodist Church, and a celebration of the incredible impact we make together.



A new worship outline to help you plan a service is now available to [download](#). This year's theme, 'Everyone's welcome,' spotlights the charity's foster care services. Fostering can be the turning point in a child or young person's life. It's more than just a home – it's stability, hope, a loving environment, and the opportunity to thrive. Your support helps us provide this.

Join us on 12 July or whenever suits you. Hold a worship service or mark it other creative ways - a lunch, an afternoon tea, a cake stall, or a joyful mix of activities.

For a copy of the worship outline and other resources, download from actionforchildren.uk/faithFR or contact our Supporter Services Team on 0300 123 2112 or at ask.us@actionforchildren.org.uk

Be part of something special and help transform the lives of vulnerable children and families.

Thank you.

The **Methodist Church** 

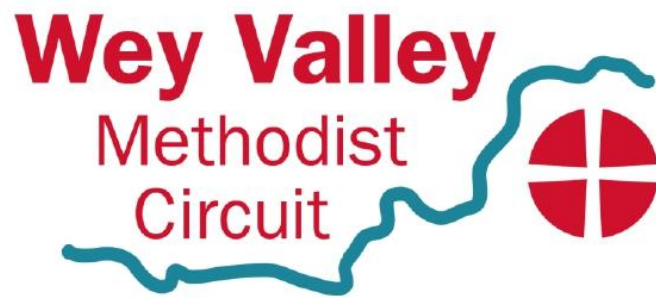
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Tuesdays from 10 am – 12 noon

 <p>2nd June 9th June 16th June 23rd June 30th June</p>	<p>7th July 14th July 21st July 28th July</p> 
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2026

Enjoy Coffee & a Chat, Coffee & a Game, or Coffee & a Book
The choice is yours!
Everyone welcome – bring a friend!



Circuit Service

With Revd Conrad Hicks

District Chair,

South East District



All welcome

Refreshments will be served after the service

Sunday 14 June 2026

3.00pm

**Byfleet Methodist Church
Rectory Lane, Byfleet, KT14 7LL**

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SATURDAY 6TH JUNE

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Originally from Manchester, jazz vocalist and songwriter Sarah Jane Eveleigh moved to the south of England to study a diploma in performing arts. Since then, she's developed her stage craft playing her own compositions in venues across London and the South East, as well as working as a singer in bands for high-end private events. Respected for her passionate delivery and interpretations of jazz standards, Sarah is a gifted storyteller who brings a level of style, accuracy and class to her performances.



Working alongside a host of talented musicians in both small ensemble and big band settings she continues to build a strong reputation as a sought-after vocalist on the jazz circuit.

**ALSO FEATURING MARTIN SHAW (TRUMPET), ALEX HUTTON (PIANO),
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A safe place to talk with people who understand

Tuesday 12 May, 9 June, 14 July

We start at **10:30am** with discussion followed with a break, and we will end at **12pm**.

Woodhill Church,
Chobham Road, Knaphill
No need to book, just turn up.

WHAT TO EXPECT:

Over a warm drink and a slice of cake, our Bereavement Café provides a welcoming space to connect with others who understand the journey of loss. It's a place to talk about the pain of bereavement and find mutual support and encouragement – especially when you need it most.



**The Whitechapel Mission has
been helping the homeless since
1876**

Collections of non-perishable
foods, toiletries and clothing will
be made at

**Godalming United Church
Bridge Street, Godalming GU7 3DT**

26th June to 6th July 2026

GODALMING UNITED CHURCH

(Methodist and United Reformed)

Bridge Street, Godalming GU7 3DT

**Urgently needed: Men's Clothing, Toiletries and
Non-perishable Breakfast foods for**

THE WHITECHAPEL MISSION

A collection of these items will be held during the period

26th June – 6th July 2026

Please ask your friends, neighbours and colleagues to help as well!

Donation times and specific items needed are detailed inside this leaflet.

Collection times at Godalming United Church will be:

Friday 26 th June	12 noon to 1.30 pm
Saturday 27 th June	10.30 am to 12 noon
Sunday 28 th June	11.30 am to 12.30 pm
Tuesday 30 th June	2 pm to 3 pm
Wednesday 1 st July	6 pm to 7 pm
Friday 3 rd July	12 noon to 1.30 pm
Saturday 4 th July	10.30 am to 12 noon
Saturday 4 th July	2 pm to 3 pm
Sunday 5 th July	11.30 am to 12.30 pm
Monday 6 th July	7 pm to 8 pm

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Items highlighted in **bold** are needed the **most urgently**:

BREAKFAST FOODS		
Peanut Butter	Cornflakes	Weetabix
Bottled water	Chocolate Spread	Brown Sauce
Nutella	Chopped tomatoes	Salt
Chopped Tomatoes	Plum tomatoes	Porridge
Baked Beans	Honey	Biscuits
Sugar	Squash	Coffee
Instant Hot Chocolate	Ketchup	Tinned Fruit
Sugar	Honey	Black Ground Pepper
Peanut Butter		
MEN'S CLOTHING		
Winter Jackets	Winter Coats	Baseball Caps
Woollen Gloves	Woollen Hats	Woollen Scarves
T-shirts	Jumpers	Hand Towels
Bath Towels	Underpants	Boxers
Jeans 28-36"	Trousers 28-34"	Small Rucksacks
Men's Trainers	Men's Shoes	
TOILETRIES		
Toothbrushes	Body Lotion	Body Wash
	Roll-on Deodorant	Razors
Hand Cream	Moisturiser	Shampoo
Spray Deodorant	Shower Gel	Shaving Foam