

URC SOUTHERN SYNOD MISSION & VISION

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.” *Romans 15: 13*

FESTIVAL ORGAN CONCERT
Saturday 21 September 7pm

Featuring

PROFESSOR IAN TRACEY
World-renowned performer and recording artist
Organist Titulaire at Liverpool Anglican Cathedral

KAROL SZWECH
Polish Conductor & Composer

ANDREW DAVIES
Trinity Church Musical Director

Tickets £10 - under 18s free - available from
www.ticketsource.co.uk/festivalorganconcert
or in person on Sundays, after morning worship

Enquiries: concert@trinitywimbledon.org.uk
020 8946 9281

Venue: TRINITY UNITED REFORMED CHURCH
Mansel Road, Wimbledon SW19 4AA
www.trinitywimbledon.org


KENT - WORK PLACE - MISSION

**Kent Workplace Mission
Annual Conference**

“Seeing our economy differently”

Helping Chaplains/local Church leaders look at the economy in a way that isn't available elsewhere and link to the practicalities of their ministry

Saturday 21st September 2019
from
10am - 4pm
at
Blewater, Greenhithe, DA9 9RE

[CLICK FOR MORE DETAILS](#)

Please note: A copy of this news sheet can be found and downloaded from the news section of the Synod website:
www.southernsynodurc.org.uk

INTRODUCTION TO THE URC

A 2 session course led by Rev. Julian Thomas

DATES: 9th and 23rd October

TIME: 7.30pm

VENUE: Caterham URC

To find out more contact or to book your place, e mail:

[ANDY TWILLEY](mailto:andytwilley@urcsouthern.org.uk)

PRESIDING AT THE SACRAMENTS COURSE

Two sessions:

September 26 and November 21

19.00 – 21.00

At Dorking URC

Delegates need to be recommended by their Church. Interested in attending?
Please contact Andy Twilley:

training@urcsouthern.org.uk



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ENTRY £7

ORGAN RECITAL

25th SEPTEMBER
SEVENOAKS
7.30PM

FEATURING
PROFESSOR IAN TRACEY

Join us for an evening recital to celebrate the refurbishment of our church organ with a recital by one of Britain's most respected musicians.

Buy Tickets:
Venue: Before or after Sunday morning services
Email: sjsevenoaksuro@gmail.com
Online: www.sjhuro-recital.eventbrite.com*

A selection of refreshments will also be available on the evening for a small donation.

Venue:
St Johns Hill URC
Sevenoaks
Kent TN13 3LW
www.sjsevenoaksurc.org.uk

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*admin fee applies

SOUTHERN SYNOD
of the United Reformed Church

Safeguarding Training

Saturday 21st September 2019
Christ Church URC
Tudor Way, Petts Wood BR5 1LH
09:30 - 13:00
(arrivals and registration from 09:15)

Training course for all individuals working with children, young people and adults at risk on behalf of the United Reformed Church. This course should be completed every 3 years to refresh and update understanding of Good Practice.
To book your place please contact:
tt.admin@urcsouthern.org.uk / 0208 688 3730

URC MUSIC NETWORK

Making a Joyful Noise

[FIND OUT MORE](#)

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URC MUSIC DAY 2019
Saturday 5th October

Palmers Green United Reformed Church
London N13 4AL

Theme: "Well-being and Music Across the Generations"

CALLED TO PREACH?

The 2019 Lay Preachers training course has proved to be a really exciting and inspiring journey, with 23 delegates taking part in 2019. The next course will start January 2020. Do you know anyone who might be interested?

[FIND OUT MORE](#)

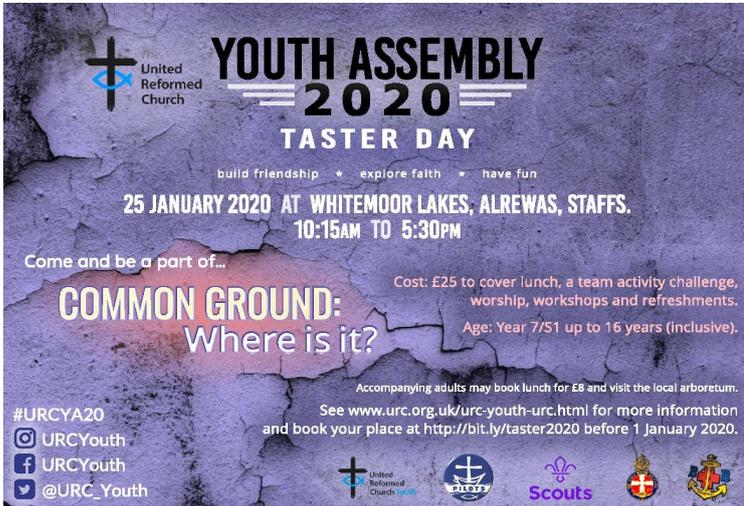


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YOUTH ASSEMBLY 2020 TASTER DAY
build friendship * explore faith * have fun

25 JANUARY 2020 AT WHITEMOOR LAKES, ALREWAS, STAFFS.
10:15AM TO 5:30PM

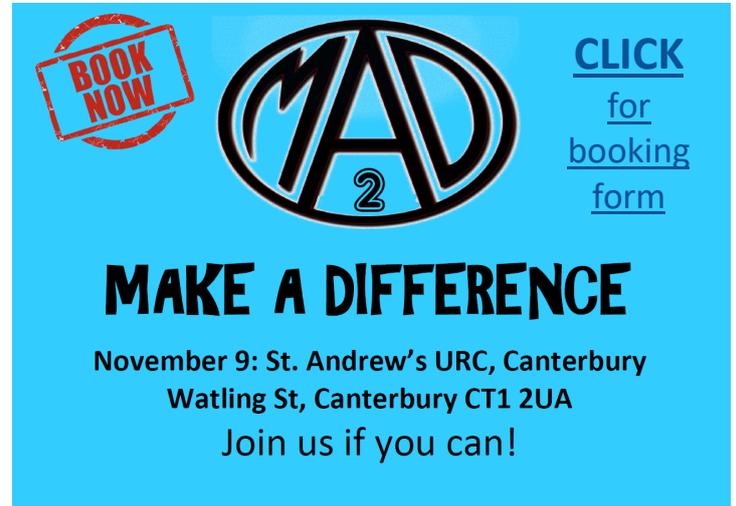
Come and be a part of...

COMMON GROUND: Where is it?

Cost: £25 to cover lunch, a team activity challenge, worship, workshops and refreshments.
Age: Year 7/51 up to 16 years (inclusive).

Accompanying adults may book lunch for £8 and visit the local arboretum.
See www.urc.org.uk/urc-youth-urc.html for more information and book your place at <http://bit.ly/taster2020> before 1 January 2020.

#URCYA20
@URCYouth
@URC_Youth



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CLICK for booking form

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

November 9: St. Andrew's URC, Canterbury
Watling St, Canterbury CT1 2UA
Join us if you can!



COMMON GROUND: Where is it?

YOUTH ASSEMBLY 2020

24 TO 26 JANUARY
WHITEMOOR LAKES, ALREWAS, STAFFS.

A weekend to **focus on Jesus**, to **share in community** with other young people, and to **explore** what it means to be **church together**.

Cost on or before 11 November: £110
Cost from 12 November: £140

Age: Year 10 students in England and 53 students in Scotland up to 25 years (inclusive)

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@URC_Youth



Community caring cafe

Crawley United Reformed Church.
RH10 3DF
Every third Saturday 10:30am until 12:30pm.

All are welcome at this FREE dementia friendly café.

For more information, call 01293 551709 or email at crawleyurc2015@gmail.com.

WHY SHOULD CHRISTIANS READ THE OLD TESTAMENT?

Speer Road Church, United Reformed, Thames Ditton are hosting a Montgomery Lecture on Thursday 10 October at 7.30pm.

The lecture on “**Why Christians should read the Old Testament**” will be given by Dr. Meg Warner, Visiting Lecturer, King’s College London and Reader in the Church of England Diocese of London.

The Lecture is free and refreshments will be served afterwards.

For more information: Contact Peter Flint: pflint@btinternet.com



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Messy Church Training

Saturday 28th September 2019
Reigate Park Church

Theme: Messy Church Values

An overview of what Messy Church is, followed by an in-depth exploration of the five Messy Church values and how developing these will deepen what your team offers month by month.

A free training session open to all involved in planning and running a Messy Church or thinking about setting up a new Messy Church.

09.30am – 10.00am — Arrivals & Refreshments
10.00am – 12.00pm — Training Session

Reigate Park Church, Park Lane East, Reigate,
Surrey RH2 8BD

Session limited to 50 spaces. To book please contact
office@urcsouthern.org.uk or call 020 8688 3730



Is it I, Lord?

Ministry Enquirers' Day
Saturday 26 October 2019
10am – 4pm

Westminster College, Cambridge



For full details contact Vivienne Williams

T: 020 7916 8649 E: vivienne.williams@urc.org.uk

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PLEASE NOTE

All items for the next issue of “*Mission & Vision*” need to be sent to [Opuene](#) by 20 September 2019.

Church in focus

Colin McCracken

I fulfil several roles across Synod all designed to help churches fulfil their mission. It is a joy and honour to serve you. I haven't yet seen every building in the Synod but hope to in time. Each day is very different and can present very challenging issues. I can find myself discussing the virtues of different letting agreements one moment, to arranging asbestos surveys the next, to selling a manse on the coast whilst also advising on alternations to Listed Church buildings the next. My role is vast and ever changing, involving balancing many different “plates” in the air. However, I enjoy speaking to different people and getting out of the office. I find it an honour to be involved in protecting, preserving, extending and renewing some lovely buildings for the sake of God's Kingdom. My role is often misunderstood, and 150 words is not enough to fully explain what I do, but if you have a building related issue, I'm here to help.

Colin McCracken
Property Officer



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