

URC SOUTHERN SYNOD MISSION & VISION

Praise the Lord O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. *Psalm 103: 1*



'Café Church Style Preaching'

**A day to be Refreshed
& Inspired in your Preaching.**

November 16
at
Oxted URC
21 Bluehouse Ln, Oxted, RH8 0AA

SPEAKER: Rev. Penny Marsh

Refreshments from 10.00
Starts: 10.30
Depart: 15.30

The day will include half an hour when delegates can share ideas of books or resources they have found helpful.
Soup will be provided at lunchtime.

All are welcome.

To book your place contact the Synod Lay Preaching Commissioner, Sue Knight:
knight52@sky.com



Safeguarding Training

Saturday 16th November 2019
Rusthall United Reformed Church
Manor Road, Rusthall, Tunbridge Wells
TN4 8UD

14:00 - 17:30
(arrivals and registration from 13:45)

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



Stepwise facilitators day

A day designed to inform, equip and enthuse potential facilitators for Stepwise. Facilitators are not tutors in the traditional sense, but will have experience to share and skills in enabling and encouraging the group in their discipleship development.

The day will include –

- Worship
- An introduction to Stepwise
- Some group work exploring and experiencing facilitation
- A Stepwise facilitated group taster session

Come expectant: God has exciting plans for His Church!

St Andrews URC, Canterbury

10 December 2019

Refreshments from 10.00
Start: 10.30
Depart: 15.30

Bring your own lunch

[Contact Andy Twilley for details](#)

THE URC SPIRITUALITY GATHERING
weekend is taking place from the
28th February to 1st March 2020
at Westminster College in Cambridge

[BOOKING FORM](#)

PLEASE NOTE

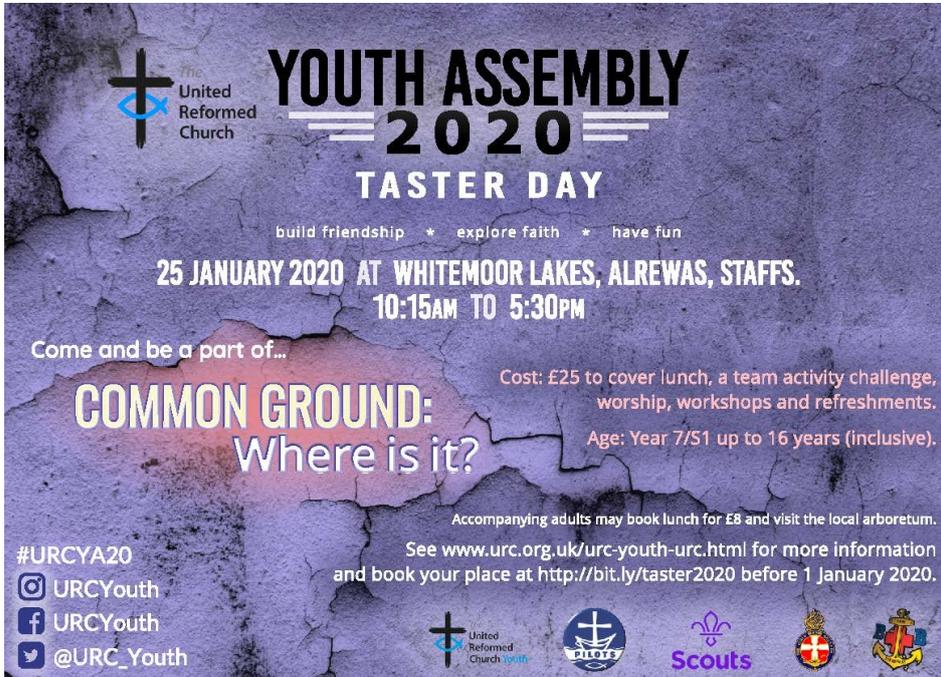
All items for the next issue of "Mission & Vision" need to be sent to Opuene by 15 November 2019.



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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
URCYouth
@URC_Youth

United Reformed Church Youth, Scouts, and other partner logos.



InSpire

Raising funds for New Malden United Reformed Church spire

12-hour sponsored piano play
by Judith Flint

7am-7pm
Saturday 23rd
November 2019

You can sponsor her at
www.justgiving.com/campaign/inspirepiano

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

Trinity Advent Lecture 2019 Tuesday 3 December 7.30pm

“Gospel Music”

with Prof. Robert Beckford

Professor Beckford was Britain's first tutor in black theology in the 1990s and has since risen to broadcast on BBC and Channel 4. In his talk about the problem with gospel music and how to put it right, he will discuss music, coloniality and the church. This will be an entertaining, provocative and informative evening.

Prices £5 - tickets available online

<https://www.trinitychurchsutton.org.uk/trinity-lecture>



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**YOUTH ASSEMBLY
2020**

24 TO 26 JANUARY
**WHITEMOOR LAKES,
ALREWAS, STAFFS.**

#URCYA20
@URCYouth
URCYouth
@URC_Youth

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
S3 students in Scotland
up to 25 years (inclusive)





St. John's URC
Marsh Green
Edenbridge TN8 5QR
invites you to use their
premises for
AWAY DAYS

Recently recognized as a Gold Eco Church, we want to share our church, in its peaceful setting, with others. The church is set on the village green and backs on to fields.

There is a small wildflower meadow which can be used in the summer as a quiet place for reflection or for outdoor worship, as well as a garden and play area.

In addition to the sanctuary, there are 3 rooms and a small well-equipped kitchen.

The church is available at weekends throughout the year and at any time during school holidays.

If interested contact Heidi Tanner:
Email: heidimichaela@live.co.uk

Website: www.marshgreenurc.co.uk



INTERIM MODERATOR

Interested in finding out more about the role & responsibilities of an Interim Moderator?

We are hoping to provide training in this important ministry so if you would like to find out more, or might consider joining the group, please contact

[ANDY TWILLEY](#)

Church in focus

Eastwick Road Church

Eastwick Road Church is your small friendly church on the corner for everyone and anyone, no matter what age or stage of faith. One of three churches in the village of Bookham, Surrey, theologically we lean towards the evangelical wing of the URC. With some thirty members, our worship is led by a growing group of musicians who try to cater for all tastes, helped by the installation of a new audio-visual system. Our modernised building provides a community facility, including a playschool where we provide a Christian presence. Recognising that congregational resources are limited we employ a church administrator and a treasurer's assistant, soon to be joined by a community worker. Discipleship is central and we try to made clear our aim to Live and Love the Jesus Way. We endorse the assertion that a great commitment to the Great Commandments and the Great Commission makes for a great church.

Rev Ted Bellingham



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