

URC SOUTHERN SYNOD MISSION & VISION

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URC BUILDINGS
FORUM

Local churches working towards Net Zero

for more information and to register for a link:
mission@urc.org.uk

Tuesday 26 September
8pm - 9.30pm



Welcome, Holy Spirit

Encountering the person and power of the Holy Spirit

Jesus promised that the Holy Spirit would clothe us with power, equipping us for action as his witnesses. Yet often we settle for less than God intended, and have little first-hand experience of the Spirit's empowering work.

This Ignite explores the Biblical basis for welcoming the Holy Spirit more fully into our lives and churches. Through testimony, teaching and prayer we will make space for a richer understanding and fresh encounters with the third person of the Trinity.

Join us for this faith-inspiring event and discover how much more God can do in you, for you, and through you.

Saturday 30th September 2023
9:30 am - 5 pm



"The people were so genuine and the teaching so biblical that it has opened my eyes to learning how to co-operate with the Holy Spirit."



St Andrew's URC
Walling Street
Canterbury, CT1 2UA

- Light refreshments will be provided
- Please bring a packed lunch
- Parking is limited

Find out more and book your place:

dunamis.org.uk/ignite-events

God

is calling you

Local Worship Leader Course 2024

Will you answer the call?



Remind Me
[@naycrumors](#)



Message



Contact Andy Twilley to find out more.

training@urcsouthern.org.uk

Stepwise

Would you be interested in being part of a Stepwise group: "Faith Filled Life"?

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Mental Health First Aid Refresher Course

Tuesday 12 September 2023
10 am — 1 pm

Westborough URC

4b Southway, Westborough, Guildford, GU2 8DA

This refresher course is for those who have completed the Mental Health First Aider certificated course

For more information and to book your place please contact:
development@urcwessex.org.uk / 023 8067 4513
Places are limited. Book early to avoid disappointment

EXPLORE YOUR CALL

SAVE THE DATE

November 22
19.00 – 20.30

An evening on ZOOM to find out what it means to become a...

Minister of Word & Sacrament
Church Related Community Worker
Local Church Leader
Lay Preacher

With input from a range of speakers, this will be an exciting opportunity to hear insights from those who are engaged in these ministries, to ask your questions, and most importantly, to “Explore YOUR call”.

To find out more, or to book a place, contact Andy Twilley
training@urcsouthern.org.uk

PLEASE NOTE: Items for the next issue of “Mission & Vision” need to be sent to [Andy](#) by **1 September**.

A copy of this news sheet can be found & downloaded from the Synod website southernsynodurc.org.uk



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Rural Ministry Course

17-18th Oct 2023

- New to rural?
- Fancy a refresher?
- Come & meet others
- Learn together

Booking & further details:
<https://tinyurl.com/RMC2023>

£300 full board
King's Park,
Northampton



Arthur Rank
Centre
CONFIDENT RURAL CHRISTIANS

Booking Now



10-12
OCTOBER
2023

URC - GODLY PLAY 3-DAY ACCREDITED TRAINING COURSE

Basingstoke URC, London Street,
Hampshire RG21 7NU

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT
CYDO@URC5.ORG.UK

BOOKING VIA [HTTPS://BIT.LY/3MBNDXD](https://bit.ly/3MBNDXD)



Whole Life Preaching

A day to be Refreshed & Inspired in your Preaching.

October 28 at St. Paul's URC, Croydon.

SPEAKER: Steve Rouse

Refreshments from 10.00 Starts: 10.30 Depart: 15.30

The day will include time for delegates to share ideas of books or resources they have found helpful.

Soup will be provided at lunchtime.

All are welcome!

To book your place contact
Synod Lay Preaching Advocate
Sue Knight: localchurchleader@reigateparkchurch.org

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AN EXCITING NEW OPPORTUNITY

FAMILY AND YOUTH WORKER

CHRIST CHURCH URC
PETTS WOOD, BR5 1LH



An exciting opportunity to shape a new role as

Family and Youth Worker

at an intergenerational diverse church
in Southeast London.

We are an inclusive church
that is looking to invest in the faith journey
of families in our church and community.

Hours of work: Average of 35 pw
(including 2 Sundays a month)

Salary: up to £32k (depending on experience)

Contract: 3 years (with potential to extend)

For more detailed information and how to apply visit
<https://christchurchpettswood.org.uk/job-opportunity/>

Or to arrange an informal chat
email welcome@ccpw.org.uk

Closing Date: 15 September 2023 12:00 Midday

Interview Date: week commencing

2nd October 2023

Flexible start date



Church in focus

TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

In August 1986 I was inducted to my first post as a minister.

Having sensed a call to ministry when I was just 11, I went to college to train when I was 21 and what an amazing and exciting journey followed. There have been many highs accompanied at times with some significant challenges, yet, as I look back, an abundance of blessings flowing from the genuine sense of purpose I have had as I have sought to serve wherever the Lord has led me.

I am genuinely excited by the opportunities presented across Southern Synod to help men and women discover and discern God's call on their lives, and then to play a part in equipping and encouraging them as they seek to become all God has designed them to be.

Everyone of us as his children have a part to play in the work of His Kingdom, whether on an individual or on a corporate basis, and if I can help you or your church on YOUR journey, then please get in touch. What's more, please take note of the "Explore Your Call" evening in November, (newsletter page 2) an opportunity to find out more about a number of different ministry pathways God might be calling YOU to. Come and maybe this will prove to be the next step on YOUR personal journey of faith.

Rev. Andy Twilley
Training & Development Officer