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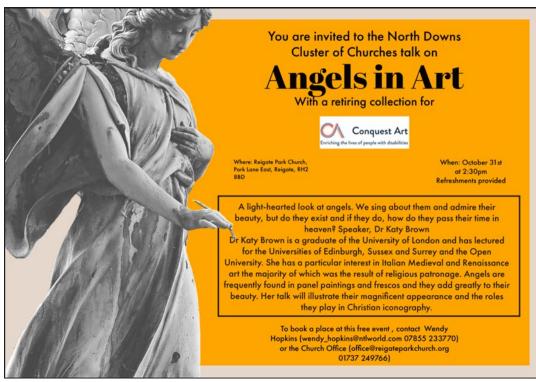
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Training in Part Oral Care

November 1: SESSION 1: Introduction to Pastoral Care

November 6: SESSION 2: Building the team and Boundaries

November 27: SESSION 3: Developing your Listening Skills

VENUE: Dorking URC, 53 West St, Dorking RH4 1BS. TIME: 19.00 – 21.00

EVERYONE WELCOME

For more details or to book your place, contact Andy Twilley: training@urcsouthern.org.uk



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 Remembrance Sunday
12 November 6.30pm

Fauré's Requiem



Venue: Trinity Church Sutton (Cheam Road opposite Sutton Library)

Music: Faure's Requiem and pieces by Franck and Parry with the Trinity Festival Choir and an instrumental ensemble.

Web link: https://www.trinitychurchsutton.org.uk/requiem

Free entry, all welcome



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

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PLEASE NOTE: Items for the next issue of "Mission & Vision" need to be sent to Andy by 20 October.

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



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YOUTH LEADERS GATHERING 26-28 January 2024

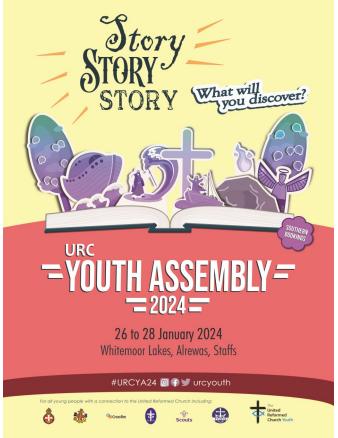
As in previous years this event will run in parallel with the URC Youth Assembly at Whitemoor Lakes.

For all those who work with young people in URC settings, this will be a chance to meet with others to be encouraged, challenged, inspired and equipped.

There will be a mixture of input, worship, space to relax, prayer and social time as we spend time together in this temporary community to hear from God and learn from each other.

SAVE THE DATE and look out for further details soon

Any questions contact John Stephenson: john.stephenson@urc-northernsynod.org



A WEEKEND TO HAVE YOUR SAY, MAKE FRIENDS AND FIND FELLOWSHIP:

- Youth Decides discussions on issues that matter to us leading to action and engaging the wider church
- Workshops craft, drama, Bible studies, opportunities to grow your skills and thinking
- Worship led by Youth Assembly band plus prayer room, late night communion
- Entertainment campfire, karaoke, games and more

Fully funded places provided for young people from Southern Synod.

Year 10 students in England & Wales and \$3 students in Scotland up to 25 years (inclusive)

Creche available for children 0-5 years old.

Book your place through

cydo@urcsouthern.org.uk

before 2 January 2024

or contact children.youth@urc.org.uk if not in Southern Synod.

f you or your group need a leader to accompany you, please get in touch with the





020 7916 868

children.youth@urc.org.uk

Find out more about Youth Assembly at bit.ly/Youth-Assembly

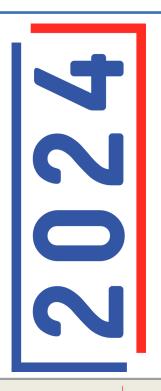


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SYNOD CLERK

Just one year ago I stood up at Synod Together, as your Mission and Development Officer. Little did I know that within a year I would be standing up again but as your Synod Clerk. If you are surprised, that makes at least two of us!

Most of my ministry, inside the URC, in past employment and as a therapist, has been aimed at enabling people to be who Christ has called them to be. This is not a passive role, far from it, it needs discernment and ability to create healthy environments for Gods children to flourish, and amongst other things, this is what I hope to being to the role.

I'm as flawed as the next person, so it's great the URC believes in teamwork. As Clerk to Synod Council my role ensures that the work of Synod Together continues in between our large meetings. This means I am on many meetings and teams. One team which attracted me to the role was the Synod Officers, Bridget our Moderator, Russell the new Convenor of Synod Council and John Denison the Synod Treasurer. To know that you have a good group of people striving to support you and Christ's call for the Synod will make the role a privilege to serve.

I look forward to serving Christ as your Synod Clerk.

Rev. Martin Hayward



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