

URC SOUTHERN SYNOD MISSION & VISION

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Following the success of our “*Making A Difference*” days, we are delighted to present the sequel:

GROW YOUR MINISTRY

Taking place: July 18th

10.30 – 12.30

4 “*Workouts*” to choose from to help you “*get fit*” in your walk with God, plus a presentation by our new Moderator elect. SEE page 3 for details & [**BOOK NOW!**](#)



SERVICE FROM SCRATCH

A group of young people from **West Thamesmead Community Church** have produced a worship service which they would love you to watch. They worked together on ZOOM to create the content, then presented and filmed it at home. Led by God, it is all their work.

[CLICK HERE to watch the service](#)

Interested in your young people doing a similar project? If so contact [Tom](#) or [Andy](#) to find out how this could be facilitated.

New reality, same Mission

**A stimulus to renewed community
engagement as we emerge from
the pandemic**

[CLICK HERE](#) to get your copy
of this helpful booklet



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Games

Fun



Worship

Who: For 11 to 18 year olds connected in any way with the URC.

When: 7pm Fri 24 to 12.15 pm Sun 26 July 2020
(with breaks)

Where: IN YOUR OWN HOME, VIA VIDEO LINK
(details to be shared later)

And including: Intergenerational Worship on our YouTube channel at 10.30am on Sunday
Book on [our events and opportunities page](#) or
or contact children.youth@urc.org.uk to find out more.

Workshops

Social Action

Discussion

[CLICK HERE
TO BOOK
NOW](#)



Get a green take on the Bible with weekly videos from Alex Mabbs, minister of Brighthelm URC, as he brings together environmental concerns with the lectionary readings in a short video. Share it in worship or use it for ideas and encouragement in your discipleship or ministry.

The videos are on a YouTube channel called Earth Church: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UckLJChIkKgU4ZO5c11tZ1jQ>

If you want sub-titles and don't see them, click on the CC button in the video window.

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

God's Big Picture
Presented by Andy Twilley



DATES 22/9/20 27/10/20 24/11/20 26/11/21 23/2/21 23/3/21	Tuesday mornings 10.30 – 12.30 Starting: 22 September For details training@urcsouthern.org.uk	VENUE Redhill URC
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Understanding & Handling God's Word

PLEASE NOTE: all items for the next issue of “Mission & Vision” need to be sent to [Opuene](#) by 2 July.

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<p>Equal Partners: Empowering Children & Young People TOM HACKETT</p> <p>Come and learn more about the URC's "Charter for Children" and discuss how it can be used in our local churches. Join us for a conversation exploring children and young people as equal disciples – able to play their part in the mission of God.</p>	<p>Empowering Our Generation ANDY TWILLEY</p> <p>We can transform this generation by creating intentional, dynamic relationships in which we enable one another to maximise our God-given potential through sharing experience, encouragement and challenge. This seminar will explore how we can help one another get "<i>fit in our faith</i>" & truly fulfil our potential.</p>
<p>Eco-Church: good for your church, good for the world, good for you. ALEX MABBS</p> <p>Eco-Church is a free tool that helps Churches and Church members respond creatively to the environmental crisis. It covers every aspect of life, not just buildings, and Churches have found that it opens new doors into life-affirming mission and discipleship. Alex will outline how Eco-Church works and how it can be a blessing to all. He will also introduce some simple ideas that can get Churches started in making a difference on an over-heating planet.</p>	<p>"Strengthening the Churches life & Mission" MARTIN HAYWARD</p> <p>The future will always have a church, the question is 'what will it look like?' As we go through the pandemic and prepare to walk out the other side what will it mean for your church and your witness? During our time together we will look at how different churches have coped, what we have learnt, what we need to take into the future, what we need to leave behind and how we can make changes that last.</p>

Choose your seminar and then book your place by e mailing Andy Twilley

training@urcsouthern.org.uk



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BOOST ONLINE

A two hour infusion of rocket fuel for your ministry among children, young people and families...

Thursday 16th July 10-12noon

Faith at Home
with Rachel Turner (*Parenting for Faith*)

Thursday 3rd September 10-12noon

Wellbeing in the New Normal
with Dr Kate Middleton (*Mind & Soul*)

Thursday 8th October 10-12noon

Effective Evangelism Online
with Dan Randall (*Hope Together*)

BOOK TODAY AT WWW.SEPARTNERSHIP.ORG.UK/BOOST
£5 PER SESSION; CONCESSIONS/GROUP DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE



Pray4URC

Thursdays 8:15 - 8:35



The
United
Reformed
Church

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Group for
Evangelism
And
Renewal
*within the United
Reformed Church*

A call to weekly prayer for our church from 4 June

FIND OUT MORE

WHICHEVER YOU HAVE...



Cheer someone with a call TODAY!

online conference

now what?

defining your youth
ministry vision in a
COVID-19 world

16-17 July 2020
youthscape.co.uk/nowwhat



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INTERIM MODERATOR

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

We are running a training day on

July 29th

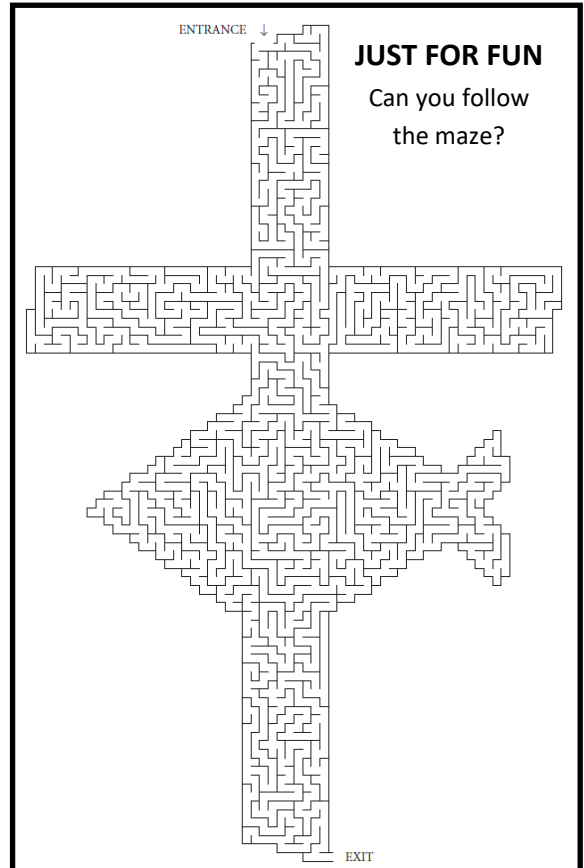
St. John's URC, Orpington,

led by Rev Jennifer Millington.

It will start with Registration at 10.00, ready for a prompt 10.30 start, finishing at 16.00

Interested in joining? Please contact

[ANDY TWILLEY](#)



TWO SPECIALIST SEMINARS

Online Youth Groups using Zoom

[CONTACT TOM](#)

Bible study groups on ZOOM

[CONTACT ANDY](#)

Church in 

BROOMFIELD UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

Broomfield is the only church in a small village on the outskirts of Herne Bay, with a congregation of 8 regular worshippers, (aged 3 – 81 years), but always full for quarterly parade services.

There are two church members – one is the Church Secretary who has been very ill in hospital with Corvid 19 & runs the Mother and Toddler group each week. The other member oversees the 'Knit and Natter' group each week.

Our outreach continues through regular communication with the onsite nursery, Girl Guides, Rainbows and Brownies, a dance school, martial arts... run by others but prayed for and invited to join us at many occasions. Previously we have held family services twice monthly, a weekly lunch and Bible Study group, a weekly community coffee morning and an adult art group.

We are pleased to be part of the Learning Hub exploring our work on the frontline of our everyday lives. This has focused our thoughts on Jesus' ministry discipling the twelve, and leading us to really consider what God wants us to do in our everyday lives as whole life disciples through services and Bible Study.

Janet Monkhouse



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