

URC SOUTHERN SYNOD MISSION & VISION

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'Go Movement' 2022

Come and join us on 19th March to be inspired and equipped to share the gospel!

Speakers include:

Rachel Jordan-Wolfe
(Hope Together - Executive Director)

Andy Economides
(Soteria Trust)

Yemi Adedeji
(Evangelical Alliance)

Steve Mullins
(Steve Mullins Evangelistic Ministries)

[TO FIND OUT MORE OR TO BOOK](#)

The Problem of Painting Christ: strange responses to the greatest artistic challenge

by Dr Chloë Reddaway

Tuesday 29 March
7.30pm

Tickets £5 from www.trinitychurchsutton.org.uk



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A PRAYER FOR PEACE

Loving God,
We pray for the people of
Ukraine,
for all those suffering or afraid,
that you will be close to them and
protect them.
We pray for world leaders, for
compassion, strength and wisdom
to guide their choices.
We pray for the world that in this
moment of crisis, we may reach
out in solidarity to our brothers
and sisters in need.
May we walk in your ways so that
peace and justice become a
reality for the people of Ukraine
and for all the world.

Amen.



Westminster College, Cambridge
online open day
19th March 2022
10.30am

degree programmes
short courses
community
resources
worship
URC

bursaries available

to express interest please email
office@westminster.cam.ac.uk

PLEASE NOTE: All items for the next issue of "Mission & Vision" need
to be sent to Opuene by **18 Mar.**

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

ASSEMBLY ACCREDITED LAY PREACHER

Is this what God is calling you to do?

The next course to train to become an
Assembly Accredited Lay Preacher begins in
September 2022. This is a 2 year part-time
course leading to Assembly Accreditation.
Learning is by mixed mode with some
sessions on Zoom, some pre-recorded, and
work to be done in between; there are also 2
residential weekends a year.

For further details please contact [Sue Knight](mailto:Sue.Knight),
Synod Lay Preaching Commissioner or
equivalent, or email Nicola Furley-Smith at
ministries@urc.org.uk

Church at the Edge



New reality, same mission

Be inspired, be reflective, be re-charged!

A monthly space for busy activists to reflect together
on what it means to be a 'Church at the Edge'

[FIND OUT MORE](#)



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50th anniversary tickets available

Free tickets to the URC's 50th Anniversary Service of Celebration and Thanksgiving are now available.

On the afternoon of Saturday 1 October 2022, in Methodist Central Hall Westminster, London, where the Uniting Assembly of the URC took place in October 1972, a chance to give thanks and to celebrate the five decades of the United Reformed Church. We want as many people as possible from across the denomination to attend.

[CLICK FOR TICKETS](#)

INTERIM MODERATOR

Interested in finding out more about the role & responsibilities of an Interim Moderator? A training day is going to be run on July 19th. Interested?

If so, please get in touch with
Andy Twilley:
training@urcsouthern.org.uk

Inclusive practice: providing pastoral support for LGBT+ young people

Free online training session led by Frontier Youth Trust

Tuesday 29 March 2022 7:00pm -8:30pm

Discussion topics will include:

- Creating LGBT+ inclusive environments
- Inclusive language and use of pronouns
- Pastorally supporting LGBT+ young people

Register at

<https://bit.ly/inclusive-practice>



Age comes to us all.

Dementia doesn't.

For further information and resources on supporting
older people in churches

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Whole Life Preaching

A day to be Refreshed & Inspired in your Preaching.

June 18 at Horsham URC

SPEAKER: Andy Twilley

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 Commissioner
Sue Knight: knight52@sky.com

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The Significance of Worship in a Changing World

Date: 26th - 27th April 2022

On-line Conference

A conference over two days to explore how worship might be developed in the post-covid world of the mid 21st century.

Cost: £15

Further details and registration:
john@spiritualseekers.co.uk
or at:
<http://www.spiritualseekers.co.uk/TOWConference22.html>

Church in  **focus**

CONVENOR OF SYNOD MINISTRIES

It is a privilege to serve as Convener of Southern Synod Ministries Committee and I have learnt so much since taking up this role approximately eighteen months ago. The Committee has a very wise Secretary, Graham Campling, who has a wealth of experience and is generous in sharing his insights. We also have representatives of every Synod and United Area so they too bring a richness of experience and wisdom, and share joys and challenges from across the Synod. Each of the Synod Officers also serve on the Committee so we have reports on Safeguarding, Training, Children and Youth work and Mission, as well as reports on Lay Preaching and Candidates and Students. The Committee meet four times a year and each meeting is different. Yet the one thing in common is the breadth and depth of ministry, and mission, across the Synod and the exciting way God is leading us.

Rev. Helen Warmington



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