

URC SOUTHERN SYNOD MISSION & VISION

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PRESIDING AT THE SACRAMENTS COURSE

Interested in attending the
sacraments course?



February 6th: 10.30 – 13.00

March 21st: 10.30 – 13.00

Trinity Church Willingdon

Contact Andy Twilley to find out more or to register:

training@urcsouthern.org.uk



Prayer and the Holy Spirit

Growing in prayer with the help of the Holy Spirit

Do you ever long to develop in your life of prayer?
Would you like to discover how the Holy Spirit can
make a difference and take you deeper into that
great adventure of prayer?

Why settle for less when Jesus promises more?

Through testimony, teaching and practice, this Ignite
explores some of the basic ingredients of prayer and
looks at:

- ◆ What it means to ask in the name of Jesus
- ◆ How vision and prayer shape the future
- ◆ Intercession that is led by the Holy Spirit

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

Saturday 27th January 2024

9:30 am – 5 pm



*"The teaching, prayer,
worship and practical application has
transformed my personal spiritual walk."*

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



St Andrew's URC
Watling Street
Canterbury. CT1 2UA

Find out more and book your free place:

dunamis.org.uk/ignite-events

PLEASE NOTE: Items for the next issue
of "Mission & Vision" need to be sent
to Andy by **19 January**.

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

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UK Wide Safeguarding Training 2024



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All training will take place via zoom.

Bookings can be made by emailing Emma.Pearce@urc.org.uk

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| Domestic Abuse | Jan 17 th 1.30pm | June 4 th 6.30pm |
| Modern Slavery | Jan 30 th 6.30pm | October 8 th 1.30pm |
| Refugees and Asylum Seekers | March 6 th 1.30pm | September 17 th 6.30pm |
| Adult Safeguarding | April 18 th 6.30pm | October 15 th 1.30pm |
| Spiritual Abuse | May 8 th 1.30pm | November 11 th 7pm |
| Online Safety | November 19 th 1.30pm | |
| Safeguarding for Pastoral Workers and Elders supporting Survivors | Jan 25 th 1.30pm | June 11 th 6.30pm |
| Substance Abuse | Feb 27 th 6.30pm | October 3 rd 1.30pm |
| Safeguarding for Ministers supporting Survivors | March 18 th 6.30pm | September 25 th 1.30pm |
| Elders as Trustees | January 31 st 1.30pm | May 14 th 7.00pm |
| DDC Verifiers Training and Safer Recruitment | February 8 th 1.30pm | May 30 th 6.30pm |
| DDC Verifiers Training and Safer Recruitment | October 28 th 6.30pm | December 4 th 10.00am |



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PRESIDING AT A FUNERAL

19 March 2024

14.00 – 16.00

St. Johns, Orpington

A training session to explore all aspects of conducting a funeral service, particularly designed for Elders or Lay Preachers who might be called upon to serve in this way. To express interest in attending, please contact Andy Twilley: training@urcsouthern.org.uk



What is God asking of YOU?



Ministry Enquirers' Event

to help you think about God's call to Stepwise, Worship Leading, Lay Preaching, Lay Pioneering, Ministry with children and young people, the Ministry of Word and Sacraments or Church Related Community Work.

Enquirers' Event

Saturday 17th February 2024

9.30am – 1pm online

Register with ministries@urc.org.uk to receive Zoom details

Church in  **focus**

LAUNCHING KESSA: HEAR OUR GENERAL SECRETARY!

The new Kent & East Sussex Synod Area (KESSA) has started its life and the Celebration Launch is on Saturday 3rd February at Maidstone URC. If you are reading this, you are invited!

We shall be greeted with coffee etc as we gather from 1100. At 1200 the General Secretary of the United Reformed Church, the Revd Dr John Bradbury, will speak about how to revitalise the Church's mission and will be ready to be challenged by our questions. A free lunch at 1300 will allow you to discover new friends before we gather for worship at 1400, when the preacher will be the Convenor of our Synod Council, the Revd Russell Furley-Smith. There might be some surprises as well but you will have to come along to find out what they are. . .

If you wish to avoid the excitements of town centre parking, the URC building in Week Street is easily accessible from any of the town's three railway stations. If you want more details about any aspect of the day, please contact:

John Ellis on 01732 353914 or john.ellis@urc.org.uk.



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