#### The Week Ahead

### The Methodist Church



Hi everyone, and welcome to **The Week Ahead**.

I hope you had a lovely and

blessed Easter.

If you didn't have a chance to read/hear/see this year's **Easter Message**, <u>click</u> here.

**Andy Jackson** will be staffing the out-of-hours support line this week on **020 7467 5170**.

God bless,

Toby Fairclough Media Officer

## On the box

## The World According to Kids

Thursday 20 April, BBC Two, 8:00pm

70 children aged between six and 11 share what they think of the world, with insightful, funny and moving results.

#### Panorama Monday 24 April, BBC One, 9:00pm

Jeremy Paxman reports on Donald Trump's presidency so far.

# Horizon Tuesday 25 April, BBC Two 9:00pm

Comedian Rory Bremner examines the science of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) and the potential

#### **General Election**

On Tuesday the Prime Minister, Theresa May, made a surprise announcement that a **General Election** is to take place on **8 June**. The **Joint Public Issues Team** have written a prayer which you can <u>read here</u>.

#### **Methodist Studies Seminar**

On **24 April**, Wesley House Cambridge will be holding a <u>special seminar</u> on 'Methodism and the legacy of the **Reformation'**. Tickets cost £15, including lunch, and can be booked online <u>here</u>.

#### **Methodist Research Conference**

**The Revd Canon Gareth J Powell** will be speaking at this year's <u>Annual Methodist Research Conference</u>, taking place at Wesley House Cambridge on **Tuesday 25 April**. Attendance is free and a light lunch will be provided.

#### **Hidden Treasure**

A **Taizé young adult gathering** is to be held from **28 April - 1 May** in Birmingham, with workshops, forums, guest speakers and more. <u>Click here</u> for more information and a programme of events.

#### Noise weekend

Christians from **all over Bristol** will be showing God's love in **practical ways** across the City between **29 April - 1 May**. For more information and to get involved, <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.

### **Thy Kingdom Come**

Churches across the world have been **pledging to pray** as part of the 'Thy Kingdom Come' initiative. Featuring **videos**, **resources** and **events**, <u>click here</u> to see how you can join in.

side effects of the drugs used to treat it.

## Radio

Pause for Thought
Friday 21 April,
BBC Radio 2, 5:45am
The Revd Tony Miles
reflects on his 'Life Motto'
in today's Pause for
Thought.

Daily Service
Friday 21 April,
BBC Radio 4, 9:44am
A spiritual reflection and
prayers led by the Revd Dr
Leslie Griffiths.

Prayer for the Day
Saturday 22 April,
BBC Radio 4, 5:43am
A spiritual comment and
prayer to begin the day
with the Revd Roger
Hutchings.

See <u>The Radio Times</u> for further listings.

# Song of the Week: Sing a song, sing a joyful song

Laurence Wareing of Singing the Faith Plus offers a few helpful reflections on suitable hymns to sing after Easter. One catchy number he suggests is 'Sing a song, sing a joyful song' (StF 310) by Mark and Helen Johnson, which you can sing-a-long to at home by clicking here.

### **Prayers and reflections**

In the coming week the <u>Prayer Handbook</u> will be encouraging us to pray with Christians in Africa, the Americas, Britain and Ireland. The theme for next week's <u>A Word in Time</u> Bible studies is **The Gospel of the Spirit**.

## Video Thursday: Who do you say I am?

This past week we've been celebrating the Easter story, but **who exactly was Jesus?** This four-minute film asks this very question through a number of interviews with an **astrophysicist**, a **theologian** and an **art historian**.

**The Week Ahead** is a regular mailing that aims to give people a heads up on upcoming events and opportunities, as well as highlighting new information and resources. We don't always remember everything, so please do <u>email us</u> if you have any feedback or ideas for items to include.