

Hello everyone and welcome to 'The Week Ahead'.

Jill Moody will be staffing the out-of-hours media emergency support line on 020 7467 5170.

Wishing you all a wonderful week, the Communications team

Result of Youth President Election Announced



Following elections at 3Generate it has been announced that the next Methodist Youth President will be Phoebe Parkin, aged 17, from the Telford circuit in the Wolverhampton & Shrewsbury District. Phoebe will become the new Youth President at a service to be held in September 2020.

Read more

Fun and Faith at 3Generate 2019

3Generate 2019 was the most successful Children and Youth Assembly yet with over 1,500 young people from across the country gathering in Southport over the weekend 22 to 24 November.

The event's growth means that 3Generate will be moving to the NEC in Birmingham for 2020.

Read more



Follow the star on Twitter and Facebook

The Twitter nativity, Natwivity, is back this year with content created by the Revd Lucy Berry, URC Minister and Poet-in-Residence at the Joint Public Issues Team (JPIT).

For 2019, the Natwivity will also encourage followers to dig deeper into what the nativity story has to offer us today. Join the 6,500 followers on Twitter and Facebook this Advent.



Follow the Natwivity on Twitter here
Follow the Natwivity on Facebook here

#LovePrayVote



To help make sure you are informed ahead of the General Election on 12 December, JPIT have produced a series of resources on some of the major issues our country faces.

Find out more here

JPIT is encouraging churches to give their General Election candidates a pair of gloves as an act of kindness during the campaign.



Find out more about how to get involved

Faith in Politics – the latest podcast is out

In the 2nd episode of Season 3 of JPIT's faith in politics podcast, guests Paul Parker, Irene MacKinnon, Lucy Zwolinska and Tracey Hume challenge us to rethink the General Election and how we engage with it.



<u>Listen on Soundcloud here</u>

World Church: Protests in Bolivia



A message from Bishop Antonio Huanca Corimayra of the Evangelical Methodist Church in Bolivia, about protests following the appointment of an interim government.

Read the message here

New-look Singing the Faith Plus

A new Singing the Faith Plus website will be live from next week. The website has been revamped so that:

- It works well on mobile as well as desktop
- There is an improved hymn search facility, and searching by title or hymn number is easy
- Worship planning guidance and resources are now all in one place



The website will continue to develop into a onestop-shop for all worship planning needs. See **www.singingthefaithplus.org.uk** from next week.

World AIDS Day



World Aids Day is this Sunday 1 December.

It's an opportunity for people worldwide to unite in the fight against HIV, to show support for people living with HIV, and to commemorate those who have died from an AIDS-related illness.

Visit <u>the World Aids Day website</u> for details of how you can get involved.

Video Thursday: Reflection on the Mount of Olives

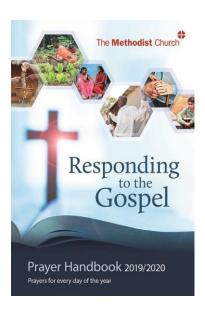
The Revd Barbara Glasson, President of the Methodist Conference, talks about her trip in Israel and the West Bank, visiting women and finding out about what it means to really be in a place.



Reflections

In the coming week, the 2019/2020
Methodist Prayer Handbook,
'Responding to the Gospel' encourages us to pray with Christians in Africa and Britain.
The theme for next week's A Word in Time
Bible studies is "Justice and Sacrifice".

Order your Prayer Handbook here.



Parliament



UK Parliament is currently dissolved for the general election. If you want to find out about the Scottish Parliamentary calendar, click

<u>here</u> and the timetable for the National Assembly for Wales, <u>click</u> here. -----

'The Week Ahead' is a regular mailing that gives you a heads-up on forthcoming events and opportunities, as well as highlighting new information and resources across the Methodist Church. We cannot know about everything that's going on, so please do email us if you have any feedback or ideas for items to include.

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