

The **Methodist News**

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Hello everyone and welcome to the Methodist News. Yours

The Communications team

News

Racial Justice Sunday



This Sunday is Racial Justice Sunday, you can find resources on the CTBI website.

Keep a watch on our social media for a prayer from JPIT intern, Rodney Coker, and a blog post from the Secretary of the Conference, to mark the day.

Survey



We would love to learn more about you and what you are passionate about. Please could you take 10 minutes to complete this anonymous 'getting to know you' survey? You can find the guestions here.

Climate Sunday and green evangelism webinars



Would you like to get your church more involved in thinking about climate change? Whether you've got loads of experience in climate action or none, you may like to hold a Climate Sunday event this year. Join a coffee break webinar on 18 February at 11.30am to find out more. Register here We're also hosting a webinar on 25th March all about green evangelism - take a look and register here.

Pancakes



Fancy a challenge for Shrove Tuesday? Why not have go at some pancake art and make one in the shape of the Methodist orb? We'd love to see your efforts, share them on social media using #MethodistPancakes.

Girls' Brigade Ministries



The Esther Collective Podcast is a community of 18-30s women exploring the issues young women face with honesty, hope and a sense of humour.

Facilitated by Girls' Brigade Ministries, it will launch on 15 February 2021 with a new episode fortnightly on Spotify, iTunes and other platforms. Listen and learn more here.

Children, Young People and Families



Join us for a webinar on Friday 26 February at 10.30am, which will help us to have conversations with children and young people about vocation - helping them to recognise God's call on their lives. Sign up here:



The Methodist Church is celebrating LGBT+ History Month with prayer, reflections and discussion during February.

Watch and listen to a <u>prayer of thanks</u>, written and read by James Blackhall, a lay worker in Leicester. This is the second prayer in our series for LGBT+ History Month 2021.

Easter Celebration CD

Easter Celebration CD SOLD OUT! You asked and you ordered! Over 25,000 copies of the Easter Celebration are being produced and will be dispatched the week commencing Monday 8th March. Due to the large volume of stock that needs to be distributed by a small warehouse team, please could we ask that you be patient with your delivery.

The CD will be available to download from the Methodist Church website in mid-March.



Year of Prayer

Join others across the Methodist Church to pray, every Tuesday from 12.45pm to 1.00pm

Participate



The Year of Prayer meeting for Tuesday 16 February at 12:45pm will be led by Sizwe Mkwanazi, a member and a preacher in training at Wesley Memorial Church in the Oxford Circuit. He is a South African Rhodes Scholar reading for a DPhil in Education at the University of Oxford. More information about the Year of Prayer can be found here or use this direct link to register

Watch Again



If you missed Tuesday's prayer meeting, led by Gill Dascombe, you can watch again, <u>here</u>.

Media

Podcast



The latest podcast from The Joint Public Issues Team is out – join Meg and Rodney as they speak with Lord Dubs about his experiences coming to the UK on the kindertransport, his work in the House of Lords and where he finds hope. Listen $\underline{\text{here}}$

'Dial-a-Prayer' phonelines



We have added a pastoral message from the President and Vice-President of the Conference to our free 'Dial-a-Prayer' phonelines. You can download a print-and-cut-out sheet with details to send to others here

Prayer: 0808 281 2514

Pastoral message from the President and Vice-President: 0808 281

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Methodist Podcast: 0808 281 2478

Spiritual sustenance in isolation



During this time of 'lockdown' a special page on our website signposts you to resources to help nourish your spiritual life.

These are mostly resources that are provided centrally but you can also check what your local church or circuit is providing.

Click here.

Guidance



As restrictions continue, read the latest guidance here.

Email: mediaoffice@methodistchurch.org.uk