



The Methodist News

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Hello everyone and welcome back to the Methodist News.

Details of on-call media support can be found [here](#).

Yours,

The Communications team

Ukraine Anniversary

If you'd like to mark the anniversary in your church, we have resources available on our website [here](#) that can be used for services or small groups.

Additionally, [Singing the Faith+](#) has a number of useful recommendations for churches wishing to engage with this difficult topic.



LGBT+ History Month

Methodists at Pride



Art in Bristol

From February to early April, key works from the Methodist Modern Art Collection will be on loan in the city of Bristol at two different exhibitions. *Articles of Faith – Where Our Paths Meet* will be on display at Victoria Methodist Church, and is particularly exciting because it is the first time that works from the collection are being shown alongside artefacts from other faith traditions. A smaller exhibition at the New Room, Bristol, entitled *Death to Life: Image, Expression and Symbolism*, considers the power of art to engage people at a spiritual level.

You can find out more about both exhibitions [here](#).

Opportunities

EAPPI



"Witnessing life under occupation is frustrating and heart breaking, but most of all it is a huge privilege."

Applications are open for human rights monitors in Palestine and Israel. These placements, which last three months, work to bring about a just peace for both Palestinians and Israelis.

You can read a blog by Imogen Hardman, who's just finished her placement, [here](#). Find out more about being an EAPPI and [apply here](#).

Reflecting on our God stories

"Life can only be understood backwards, but it must be lived forwards" (Søren Kierkegaard).

On Tuesday, 14 March, come along to a conversation space to share ideas about how we reflect on our journey with God. By looking back we can notice signs of the presence of God, build understanding of our God stories, and be inspired for holy action.

We'll discuss and demonstrate a range of techniques, including:

- Journaling (long-form, bullet, and Bible versions);
- Discussion and accountability groups, and
- Creating art.

For further information and booking please click [here](#).



Methodist Council

The latest Council meeting was held online on the 25 and 26 January. It opened with worship led by the Chair of the Council, the Revd Sonia Hicks, and Council members received reports from the Strategy and Resources Committee and the Connexional Team. You can read a summary of the full meeting [here](#).

Sunday Morning Live

The Revd David Hardman appeared on Sunday Morning Live last weekend, talking about how the UK treats immigrants. You can watch him [here](#).

