

Our Mission Statement

Our purpose is to worship God,
to care for those in need,
to encourage others to come
to faith in Jesus Christ, and
to share His love in our
community and the world around us.



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Welcome to Morning Worship 11am at Chapel Lane

Sunday 25th January 2026

led by Emmanuel Quansah

Readings : Isaiah 9 : 1 - 4

Matthew 4 : 12 - 23

Sunday 1st February 2026

led by Rev'd Tony Parkinson

This is a service of holy communion

Church Diary

Tuesday 27th

Church Council – 7.30pm Soul Cafe

Wednesday 28th

Roving Ramblers – Tilery Road Car Park

Thursday 29th

10.00am - 12.30pm Soul Cafe

Saturday 31st

10.00am - 12.30pm Soul Cafe

Sunday 1st February

Morning Service – led by Rev'd Tony Parkinson (with holy communion)

followed by church meeting to discuss Mission Action Plan

Breathing Space – 7.00pm Soul Cafe

Tuesday 3rd

Family History Group - 7.30pm North Road

Thursday 4th

10.00am - 12.30pm Soul Cafe

7.30pm Thursday homegroup

Saturday 6th

10.00am - 12.30pm Soul Cafe

Sunday 7th

Morning Service - led by Christina Pritchard

Update from Superintendent Rev'd John Hughes regarding Rev'd Penny Thorne

Southampton Methodist Circuit

It is with deep sadness that we have to report that, following continued ill-health, Rev'd Penny Thorne has made the difficult decision to retire from her ministry in the Southampton Methodist Circuit and, therefore, as Minister at Trinity Church, Totton. The pastorally sensitive process of responding to Penny's request to retire has begun and will likely take some weeks to finalise.

Penny brought enthusiasm, vision and commitment with her when she took up her appointment, and both Penny and her wife, Lynne, have played a valued part in the life of Trinity Church and the Circuit. For the next few months, Circuit Superintendent Rev'd John Hughes will take over responsibility for the ministry at Trinity Church alongside his other responsibilities. This is only a short-term arrangement as Trinity Church, being an LEP (joint church) between the Methodist Church and the United Reform Church, requires that both denominations should work together to provide ministry at Trinity for the longer-term.

We are grateful for all that Penny has shared in her time with us, and pray that God's grace and wisdom will be with Penny and Lynne in whatever the future holds. Please continue to hold them both in prayer

MISSION ACTION PLAN



**Next
meeting
Sunday 1st
February**

A reminder that we are meeting after the Morning Service on **Sunday 1st February** to continue the development of our mission action plan. Some refreshments will be available, but do bring a pack lunch or nibbles to keep the munchies at bay. Please think about what we might provide in terms of service and ministry that would be most appreciated by those around us as we embark on the next phase of our journey with God.

There is a sign up sheet for the meeting at the back of church to give us an idea of numbers

Pastoral Care If you are in need of a visit or a phone call, please contact Jenny Howse our Pastoral Lead by emailing thehowsefamily@googlemail.com or phoning 023 8084 8495



Many very Happy Birthday wishes for the week after next to Karen Joseph. May your special day be full of fun, blessings and joy

It's sad to grow old, but nice to ripen
Brigitte Bardot

Waterside Foodbank



Items most needed

Tinned veg / fruit	Tinned Soup
Tinned meat / fish	Cooking sauces
Milk (UHT or powdered)	Coffee
Sweet and savoury treats	Cereals
Toiletries and household	Pasta and rice

Registered Charity 1136282
waterside.foodbank.org.uk Tel: 07768 713329



Roving Ramblers Wednesday 28th January



Meet 10am at [Tilery Road Car Park](#)
(what3words location: dreams.defaults.replaying)

Come and join us for a 4 to 5 mile walk (lasting 2 – 2 ½ hours) in the New Forest. All are welcome, an opportunity to meet new friends, and bring your own friend or even your dog.

PLEASE NOTE ALL WALKS ARE LIMITED TO 25 PEOPLE

Please contact Phil Butterfield for more details
Telephone 023 80845 684 Mobile: 07708 582285
E-mail: cedarofhythe@btinternet.com

Circuit Safeguarding Training



Folk who had their Safeguarding training in 2022 or who are taking on new posts in 2026 might be required to undertake training in 2026. If so, the following courses are available (all are on Saturdays):

Foundation training

7th February	10.00am - 1:30pm	Hedge End
7th March	10.00am - 1:30pm	St James Road

Advanced training

18th April	10.00am - 3:30pm	Hedge End
9th May	10.00am - 3:30pm	St James Road

If this is of interest, please contact Christine Hughes, Circuit Administrator on 07825 139359 or email christine.hughesmc@outlook.com



REQUIEM

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SINGING IN CONCHORD

Andrew M Wilson

World premier performance commissioned by the choir in celebration of their 40th anniversary

A concert to mark the ConChord Singer's 40th Anniversary

When Saturday 7th February 2026, 7.30 pm

Where St. James' Road Methodist Church, Southampton, SO15 5HE

Tickets £12.50 **Special Guests** Mosaic Guitar Ensemble

Details Besides Faure's requiem there will be a specially commissioned peace for the anniversary, "Singing in Conchord" by Andrew Wilson, plus several other shorter pieces.

Retiring collection in aid of Medecins sans Frontieres

For more details, go to <https://conchordsingers.co.uk/future-programme>

The M3 is being closed in both directions between junctions 8 and 9 on the following dates to allow for the installation of steel beams for the new bridge

9pm Friday 30 January to 6am Monday 2 February
9pm Friday 13 February to 6am Monday 16 February

M3
junction 9
Weekend closures

If you would like someone to pray with, please speak to a prayer partner or the duty steward after the service



Your prayer partners are Manny Fordham and Linda Matthews

Join a priority services register

You can sign up to a priority services register to receive extra help if required during power cuts, water supply issues, or other emergencies. You need to do this for each supplier.

For energy suppliers, details are given at www.ofgem.gov.uk/information-consumers/energy-advice-households/join-your-suppliers-priority-services-register

You can find who your **water supplier** is at www.water.org.uk/customers/find-your-supplier and further details are given at www.ofwat.gov.uk/households/customer-assistance/special-assistance/

If you have an urgent prayer request then please contact Linda Matthews by emailing lindamatpop@sky.com or phoning or texting 07879 863592



Our next notices will be on Sunday 8th February so send any items to Manny by Thursday 5th by emailing sm_fordham@msn.com or phoning 023 8089 0804



The next one is on Sunday 22nd February