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# WEEKLY NEWS

# **Trinity Methodist Church Woking**

# Message from the Leadership Team (LT)

I recently visited the Tutankhamun Immersive Exhibition at the Excel Centre in London. An immersive experience is a type of experience designed to fully engage the senses and create a feeling of presence in a different environment, blurring the lines between reality and imagination. It aims to transport the participant into a new world, making them feel like they are a part of the action rather than just a spectator. This can be achieved through various means, including virtual reality, augmented reality, or physical environments with multi-sensory elements.

Well, as a self-confessed control freak and someone who can't even sit on a swing without feeling dizzy, I wondered how I would cope with this. The answer is OK until the last "experience" when I had to put on a VR headset and earmuffs and just step out into what seemed a void with no instructions as to where to go. I couldn't do it, and to the shame of my daughter I had to raise my hand and say get me out of here!

This has made me reflect on my faith. Jesus asks us to step out into the unknown with him. He doesn't give us VR headsets, but we have his words of guidance in the bible. He leads us and he has shown us the way. So, I know that I can step out in faith with Jesus by my side, he will not leave me alone in a void.

Jean Normington Senior Steward

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# Forthcoming Services

### Sunday 13 July 2025

Morning Worship led by Graham Warr 10.30 am

#### Sunday 20 July 2025

Morning Worship led by Rev Malcolm Herbert 10.30 am Foundry Worship 6.00 pm

## Links

Morning Service Live Stream HERE

<u>Circuit Prayer Diary for July</u> 2025 HERE

<u>Circuit Letter for this week</u> <u>HERE</u>





When I was in the Gambia a few vears ago I was asked to lead Sunday School. I asked the children who was the most important person in the Country - "The President" they said! Who was the most important person in the school? "The Headteacher", they said. Who was the most important child in their



family? "Their Father" they said.

I chose one of the oldest children to represent the President and then chose the youngest and smallest child present. Of the two, who was the most important in the eyes of God? "The President" they said. They were wrong!

It says in the Bible .....

Jesus called a little child to him and placed the child among them. And he said: "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever takes the lowly position of this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me. Matthew 18:2-5

In the eyes of God, children are highly valued, seen as a gift and a blessing. They are part of God's creation plan.

YOU are valued YOU are a blessing

YOU are loved



#### The Chosen

A reminder that The Chosen is being shown FORTNIGHTLY AT Trinity. The next showing is Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July in the Sanctuary at 7.30pm. We will be watching Series 1 Episode 7. If you missed any, catch up for FREE by going to

https://watch.the chosen.tv/page/ season%201.

> Please send any items for next week's Newsletter to the email address shown on page 1 NO LATER THAN 12 NOON ON WEDNESDAY 16<sup>™</sup> JULY.

## Our July coffee donation charity is 'Refugee Tales' and Gatwick Detainee Welfare Group

**Refugee Tales** is an outreach project of **Gatwick** solidarity with refugees, asylum seekers and Detainees Welfare Group, inspired by the experiences of men held in immigration detention at Gatwick, over a 20-year period of visiting.

The UK is the only country in Europe that detains people indefinitely. Refugee Tales hosts a self-advocacy project for people with lived experience of detention who share their tales with parliamentarians and people of influence and calls for change. People in detention cannot leave and have very limited freedom of movement within the centres. Security levels are similar to prisons.

Since 2015, Refugee Tales walkers have made a large scale walk every summer, as well as shorter monthly walks, in

people who have been held in immigration detention. Around half of people held in immigration detention are asylum seekers, and many have family ties in the UK. Around 25,000 migrants are detained in the UK every year.

More information at www.refugeetales.org



Refugee Tales "

A reminder that the 2025 walk of Refugee Tales takes place this week and Allison, Sue, Ruth and James are taking part. Quite a challenge in this weather!]