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## The Front Page: Singing about justice (from Connexion Magazine)

One of the most popular contemporary hymns in Singing the Faith is Martin Leckebusch's 'Show me how to stand for justice' (no. 713). His starting point is a verse from the book of the prophet Micah: "He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?" (Micah 6:8)

The website Singing the Faith Plus reminds us that each of the hymn's three verses echoes one of the 'requirements' of God. See [www.methodist.org.uk/STF713](http://www.methodist.org.uk/STF713)

In verse 1 Martin declares that to 'stand for justice' is to reflect the 'immense compassion' of God in the lives we lead.

In verse 2 the focus is on kindness (in other Bible translations: 'mercy') as a response to our forgiveness and acceptance by Jesus, God's son.

Finally, in verse 3 (which has affinities with the Methodist Covenant Prayer), the requirement to "walk humbly with your God" is paraphrased as submitting "in humility... to the truth which I have heard".

There is an interview with Martin Leckebusch also in Singing the Faith Plus where he talks about hymn writing. You can find it here: <https://www.methodist.org.uk/ourfaith/worship/singing-the-faith-plus/posts/taking-a-broad-approach-the-hymn-writing-ofmartin-leckebusch>

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## Sunday 15th May 2022

### Easter 5—Christian Aid Week

<b>Time</b>	<b>Service (at Trinity unless stated otherwise)</b>	<b>Led by</b>
9.15am	Early Church	Catherine Roots
10.30am	Morning Worship with Holy	Rev. Seung-Wook Jung
	Morning Worship will be followed by the Annual Church Meeting in the Church.	
6.00pm	Evening Worship on Zoom	Rev Dr Ebute Obiabo

### Activities during this week at Trinity

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>What?</b>
Tuesday 17th May	10.00am	Mid week Service led by Roger Owers
Wednesday 18th May	3.00pm	Fellowship Meeting in the Chatteris Suite. For info contact Sue or Charles Horsefield.

## Sunday 22nd May 2022

### Easter 6—Aldersgate Sunday

Time	Service (at Trinity unless stated otherwise)	Led by
9.15am	Early Church	Steven Purton
10.30am	Morning Worship	Martin Wallis
6.00pm	Circuit Service at The Square	

### Activities during this week at Trinity

Date	Time	What?
Tuesday 24th May	10.00am	Mid week Service led by Molly Bowerman
Wednesday 25th May	2.00pm	Afternoon Bible Study Group on Zoom
	8.00pm	Evening Bible Study Group on Zoom
Thursday 26th May	2.15pm	Knit and natter in the Chatteris Suite

# Sunday 29th May 2022

## Easter 7

Time	Service (at Trinity unless stated otherwise)	Led by
9.15am	Breakfast	
<b>10.00am</b>	All Age Morning Worship	Rev Seung-Wook Jung
6.00pm	Circuit Service at High Town (Local Preachers' Celebration Service)	

## Activities during this week at Trinity

Date	Time	What?
Tuesday 31st May	10.00am	Mid week Service led by Paul Thomas

# Sunday 5th June 2022

## Easter 8

<b>Time</b>	<b>Service (at Trinity unless stated otherwise)</b>	<b>Led by</b>
9.15am	Early Church	Jo Baker
10.30am	Morning Worship	Peter Baker
6.00pm	Evening Worship on Zoom	Rev. Margaret Newman

## Activities during this week at Trinity

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>What?</b>
Tuesday 7th June	10.00am	Mid week Service led by Rev. John Amankwatia
Wednesday 8th June	2.00pm	Afternoon Bible Study Group on Zoom
	8.00pm	Evening Bible Study Group on Zoom
Thursday 9th June	2.15pm	Knit and natter in the Chatteris Suite

## Zoom Links

### Sunday Evening Worship

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://zoom.us/j/94865623492?](https://zoom.us/j/94865623492?pwd=RlozVHRhYnFrcEU1cUJjdHZxUDQzQT09)

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Dial by your location

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Meeting ID: 948 6562 3492      Passcode: 494002

### Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study 2pm

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://zoom.us/j/92877340921?](https://zoom.us/j/92877340921?pwd=Y2x3MUdTeFpWT0YvenUxMXZDNTArdz09)

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### Wednesday Evening Bible Study 8pm

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://zoom.us/j/97662553267?](https://zoom.us/j/97662553267?pwd=ektDbjZ4VkVxdVNxUWp2cUxtb3dlUT09)

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Show me how to stand for justice:  
how to work for what is right,  
how to challenge false assumptions,  
how to walk within the light.  
May I learn to share more freely  
in a world so full of greed,  
showing your immense compassion  
by the life I choose to lead.

Teach my heart to treasure mercy,  
whether given or received —  
for my need has not diminished  
since the day I first believed:  
let me seek no satisfaction  
boasting of what I have done,  
but rejoice that I am pardoned  
and accepted in your Son.

Gladly I embrace a lifestyle  
modelled on your living word,  
in humility submitting  
to the truth which I have heard.  
Make me conscious of your presence  
every day in all I do:  
by your Spirit's gracious prompting  
may I learn to walk with you.

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# Trinity Notices

## Giving at Trinity

The amount given to Trinity during April was £4,800. In addition we have received income equivalent to £990 per month from gift aid. The amount required in income to balance our books is £6,620 per month.

## Circuit & District News

### Dates for your diary:

- Local Preachers service, 22 May at The Square, 6pm
- Circuit Service on Dunstable Downs, 12 June, 11am

## Thank you

Steve Rogers is delighted to say that he has had his driving licence reinstated following it being revoked on medical grounds in December 2020 and no longer requires lifts when he is planned to preach. He would like to thank everyone who has offered and given him lifts over the past few months to enable him to preach around the circuit.

## Dunstable Downs Service

Following a two year break because of COVID, the Circuit will be holding a service of worship on Dunstable Downs on 12th of June at 11.00am. There will be activities organised for all ages. Everyone is invited to come along and bring a picnic for the end of the service.

However volunteers are needed to run the service!



This includes:

### Welcoming team

- to welcome those attending;
- to distribute worship resources;
- to assist with car park duties;
- to engage with members of the general public passing by

### General Team

- To assist where needed;
- To litter pick at the end of the event.

### Worship Team

- Musicians,
- Those wanting to be involved in planning worship
- Additional children resources within worship.
- Art/drama/ creative resources

To find out how you can get involved please contact Nina Johnson (revbiker\_nj59@btinternet.com Tel 07896668616) or the circuit administrator, Mia (office@southbedsmethodist.org.uk ASAP.

There will be no morning service at Trinity on this Sunday.

Everyone is encouraged to attend and offer lifts to others where they can.

## **Local/Community News**

### **Vacancies**

The King's School, Harpenden is an independent non-denominational Christian faith School for 4 to 16 year olds, from Reception through to GCSE. We admit applicants from the Christian faith who will support the strong Christian ethos of the school. We are currently advertising for a number of vacancies at

the school to start ready for the 2022/23 school year:

- Learning Support Assistant
- Primary Teachers – full-time and part-time
- ICT Manager

For details please visit <https://www.thekingschool.com/employment-opportunities>

### **Back Stronger – Pentecost Praise 2022**

Stopsely Baptist Church are holding a Pentecost Praise service on Sunday 5th June at 7pm. Rob Parsons, founder of Care for the Family is the Guest Speaker. All are welcome to attend.

### **Public Issues (from Charles Horsefield & 'Cilla Wagner)**

As our thoughts and prayers are still focussed very much on Ukraine this week, Cilla would like to update you on aid being collected locally and delivered to those suffering the effects of the war.

People from Trinity have been supporting the charity Hope and Aid Direct for many years, by knitting squares and strips for blankets and donating old shop-bought blankets and throws. Their local coordinator Janet Page reports that they have, to date, sent 8 articulated lorries and 3 trucks full of donations to the Ukrainians. A further convoy will be leaving shortly and blankets and throws of all types remain the top priority.

Janet has also been able to pass on a few car-loads of donations to a military veterans charity for delivery to Poland. Donations from Trinity of hand-knitted items such as baby clothes, children's jumpers, hats, teddies and cot blankets - along with toiletries - have also been passed on by Cilla and Phil via the military

veterans in Leighton Buzzard. They would like to thank everyone who has contributed in any way to this effort.

Sadly there is no suggestion that the war will end any time soon but neither will the poverty that surrounds us here in Leighton Buzzard. Many of us make donations of food to the local food banks in the course of our visits to supermarkets but some find that they have surplus cans and dry goods at home that they would like to donate. Before the pandemic these might have been donated for use at the Wednesday evening Drop-In in the Chatteris suite by placing them in the marked bin in the corner of the ante-room. There is no Drop-In currently but the bin is still in use and any donations left there are taken to the food bank at the Black Horse.

# Prayer Diary

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Lord Jesus, strengthen and comfort our church family around the world– especially believers who are in prison. Help the church to continue to fix their eyes on You, and may Your justice reign over all. Amen

*Adapted from [www.opendoorsuk.org](http://www.opendoorsuk.org)*

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## **Please pray for....**

- Those who are leading and preaching at Trinity over the coming weeks.
- Trinity members preaching around the Circuit: Fiona Arscott-Smith, Peter Baker, Roger Owers, Ben Williams
- Events at Trinity and around the South Bedfordshire Circuit over the coming weeks.
- **People who live on:** Bossard Court, Doggett Street, Baker Street, Mill Road, Barrow Path, Lamsey Court, Edward Street, Windsor Avenue, Bassett Road, Water Lane
- **Those at Trinity who lead and are involved in** managing employees
- **People who are in the directory whose name begin with J**
- **Children, parents and staff at Gilbert Inglefield Middle School**
- **For the world around us - Christian Aid Week**

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