

March 2026

The Gospel of John

'I have made you known to them, and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them, and that I myself may be in them' (John 17:26)

These are words from a prayer just before Jesus entered the garden where he was betrayed and arrested.

Those words encapsulate much of what St Johns Gospel is all about. Jesus comes before God and prays for the people who have seen and will come to know who he is. Above all he prays that they will know of Gods love for all people.

St Johns Gospel is different to the other three gospels. It does not use the same stories of Jesus. Its teaching is much more focussed and complete in its purpose. However it is not just a theological work, it is a gospel alive with characters; the woman at the well, Nicodemus, Martha and Mary, Mary Magdalene who mistook Jesus for the gardener, doubting Thomas and Peter who meets the risen Christ on the shore of Galilee.

Here is a book to inspire us, a book to study and get us thinking. It is a book to come to again and again. For John has written that the gospel is here ...

'that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God and that by believing you may have life in his name' (John 20: 31)

Over the next weeks preachers will be looking at different aspects of this Gospel.

Roger Owers
February 2026

Services at Trinity during March

Sunday 1 March

9:15am Early Church led by Richard Bates

10:30am Morning Worship led by Catherine Roots

6:00pm Evening Worship by zoom*

Tuesday 3 March

10:00am Midweek service led by Alison Arnold

Sunday 8 March

9:15am Early Church led by Catherine Roots

10:30am Morning Worship led by Peter Baker

6:00pm Evening Worship by zoom led by Rev Seung-wook Jung*

Tuesday 10 March

10:00am Midweek service led by Fiona Arscott-Smith

Sunday 15 March

10:30am Morning Worship led by Rev Seung-wook Jung

4:00pm *Mothering Sunday - No Messy Church today*

6:00pm Evening Worship by zoom led by Rev Joanne Sherwood*

Tuesday 17 March

10:00am Midweek service led by Rev Wallace Edwards

Sunday 22 March

9:15am Early Church led by Jo Baker

10:30am Morning Worship led by Catherine Roots

6:00pm Evening Worship by zoom led by Sheila Norris*

Tuesday 24 March

10:00am Midweek service led by Ken Harris

Sunday 29 March

10:30am Morning Worship for all ages led by Rev Seung-wook Jung

6:00pm Evening Worship by zoom led by Catherine Roots*

Monday 30 March – Wednesday 1 April

10:00am Midweek services for Holy week



Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/bible-month-2026-training-day-the-letter-to-the-philippians-tickets-1977903725286>

The Methodist Church Bible Month in 2026 will look at Philippians. If you would like to attend the training day "in person" there will be a 'Hub' running in the district at Priory Methodist Church, Bedford to enable people to view the event with others.

For more information see the flier on the Church noticeboard or contact Liz Little lizlittlebedford@gmail.com, 07761655466.

Other activities at Trinity

| | | |
|--------------------|------------------|--|
| Monday 2 March | 8:00pm - 10:00pm | Badminton at Trinity |
| Thursday 5 March | 9:30am - 11:00am | Trinity Toddlers |
| | 2:15pm - 4:00pm | Knit and Natter |
| Monday 9 March | 8:00pm - 10:00pm | Badminton at Trinity |
| Wednesday 11 March | 2:00pm - 3:00pm | Afternoon bible study by zoom |
| | 8:00pm - 9:00pm | Evening bible study by zoom |
| Thursday 12 March | 9:30am - 11:00am | Trinity Toddlers |
| | 2:00pm - 4:30pm | Games Fellowship |
| Monday 16 March | 8:00pm - 10:00pm | Badminton at Trinity |
| Thursday 19 March | 9:30am - 11:00am | Trinity Toddlers |
| | 2:15pm - 4:00pm | Knit and Natter |
| Monday 23 March | 8:00pm - 10:00pm | Badminton at Trinity |
| Wednesday 25 March | 2:00pm - 3:00pm | Afternoon bible study by zoom |
| | 8:00pm - 9:00pm | Evening bible study by zoom |
| Thursday 26 March | 9:30am - 11:00am | Trinity Toddlers |
| | 2:00pm - 4:30pm | Games Fellowship |
| Saturday 28 March | 7:00pm - 9:00pm | <i>An Evening of Music at Trinity see poster on page 7</i> |
| Monday 30 March | 8:00pm - 10:00pm | Badminton at Trinity |

Trinity News

Doves of Peace – South Beds Craftists Group

Thank you to all those people who have sent the 'Doves of Peace' postcards to their MP. I am also grateful to those who have told me they have heard back from their MP. It is good to know that words are being put into action.

I thought I would share with you what has been happening with regards to the canvases since you saw them at Trinity in November last year. As a group we Craftivists have been really excited as the Doves of Peace project is really taking off.

The large canvases have been to Trinity, High Town and the Circuit Service last Advent in Harlington, as well as at a Churches Together ecumenical service at Edlesborough and a meeting with Laura Kyrke-Smith, MP. The accompanying postcards are being used as prayer cards and sent to MPs. Guidelines for writing also appear on the Circuit website, and further postcards are still available from group members.

The Doves have featured in an international art magazine which can be viewed via links on the Circuit website and about which was said: *"Among the numerous exceptional entries we received, your work truly stood out, captivating our curatorial and editorial team with its remarkable artistic vision."*

A recent appearance in Methodist News and on the website of the Methodist Church in Britain has led to requests for wider use. They are planned to be on view at a pan-European Peace Conference later this year, both presbyterial and representative synods in the Beds, Essex and Herts District and at the Wesley Day weekend of celebrations at Wesley's Chapel.

Thank you for your support. If you want more information, please contact Catherine or Marina.

Catherine

Do you have a contribution for Trinity News? Send it to trinityweeklynews@gmail.com or pass to Anne Gray.

Charity of the Month: Marie Curie

Over the past year we have held a series of retiring collections and events at Trinity in aid of Marie Curie, our Charity of the year 2025/26. The final retiring collection of the year for Marie Curie will be on 15 March 2026.

Giving at Trinity

The amount given to Trinity in January was £4,938. In addition we budget for the equivalent of £916 per month in Gift Aid. According to our budget our expected net monthly expenditure is £5,400. The retiring collection in January for Water Aid raised £174.46.

Zoom links

Sunday Evening Worship

<https://zoom.us/j/94865623492?pwd=RlozVHRhYnFrcEU1cUJjdHZxUDQzQT09>

By phone—0208 080 6591

Meeting ID: 948 6562 3492 Passcode: 494002

Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study 2pm

<https://zoom.us/j/92877340921?pwd=Y2x3MUdTeFpWT0YvenUxMXZDNTArdz09>

By phone—0330 088 5830

Meeting ID: 928 7734 0921 Passcode: 869411

Wednesday Evening Bible Study 8pm

<https://zoom.us/j/97662553267?pwd=ektDbjZ4VkVxdVNxUWp2cUxtb3dIUT09>

By phone—0203 481 5237

Meeting ID: 976 6255 3267 Passcode: 873153

If you need help joining our Zoom services please contact Catherine Roots.

AN EVENING OF

MUSIC

IN AID OF

LOCAL BAND

TIMEWARP

AN ECLECTIC MIX OF ROCK AND POP FROM ACROSS
THE DECADES



CHRIS MESLEY

JAZZ GUITARIST
PLAYING HIS OWN COMPOSITIONS

THE MULTI-TALENTED

JUNG FAMILY

SATURDAY
28TH MARCH
2026
7PM

TRINITY METHODIST
CHURCH HALL
NORTH STREET, LEIGHTON BUZZARD

FREE ENTRY

DONATIONS TO THE MARIE CURIE
CANCER SUPPORT CHARITY



Prayer Diary

Please pray for....

- Those who are leading at Trinity and around the Circuit Richard Bates, Catherine Roots, Alison Arnold, Peter Baker, Rev Seung-wook Jung, Fiona Arscott-Smith, Rev Joanne Sherwood, Rev Wallace Edwards, Jo Baker, Sheila Norris, Ken Harris, Roger Owers
- Those performing or attending the Evening of Music at Trinity on 28 March
- All who lead, organise or attend Tuesday Worship
- The work of Marie Curie
- All those in our congregation who are ill, in hospital or awaiting medical treatment and those who care for them
- All who mourn
- All those who live on Garden Hedge, Plum Tree Lane, Pear Tree Lane, Laurel Mews, Ash Grove, East Street, Summer Street, St George's Close, Newman Way, Harman Court, Clipstone Park
- All councillors and officers at Central Beds Council and Leighton Linslade Town Council
- Staff and pupils at Rushmere Park Academy and Linslade Middle School
- All those in our Church Directory whose name begins with E or F

April Trinity News will be published on 29 March 2026. The deadline is 12noon Wednesday 25 March. Send contributions to: trinityweeklynews@gmail.com or the Anteroom letter rack attention Anne Gray.

Trinity Methodist Church, North Street, Leighton Buzzard,
Bedfordshire, LU7 1ES www.trinitylb.org.uk

Tel: 01525 371905 ; tttprojectoffice@gmail.com
<https://www.facebook.com/trinitymethodistleighton>

Registered Charity no.: 1151861

Bank details

Name of Account: Trinity Leighton
Sort Code: 08-92-99 Account No: 67239649

