





Monthly notice sheet of the

United Church Winchester

No. 176: 6 June 2025

WORSHIP

(in person and live-streamed to our website - ucw.org.uk - and on YouTube)

SUNDAY 8 JUNE 2025 PENTECOST

MORNING WORSHIP 10.30AM
PAT FRY

Churches Together in Winchester Pentecost service at Christ Church at 7 pm. All are welcome.

SUNDAY 15 JUNE 2025 TRINITY

HOLY COMMUNION 9.00AM
REVD TIM SEARLE
MORNING WORSHIP 10.30AM

SUNDAY 22 JUNE 2025

MORNING WORSHIP 10.30AM

BIBLE MONTH SPECIAL SERVICE

SUNDAY 29 JUNE 2025

MORNING WORSHIP 10.30AM WITH HOLY COMMUNION REVD TIM SEARLE

A PRAYER OF PRAISE TO GOD

Almighty God, Author and perfector of our lives, you are God of all creation; the moon and the stars sing your praises, the rich and the poor revere you equally, the joyous and the grief-stricken seek you equally.

You saved the world even before we knew we needed saving.

You provided for our needs even before we were aware of our nakedness.

Your grace amazes us, your love fulfils us,

your forgiving presence instils hope and our suffering is eased. Thank you for filling us with your vision.

Thank you for imbuing your wisdom upon us, Almighty Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Receive our worship, hear our prayer; for you are God. Amen!

Jongikaya Zihle, District Chair, London District

Chris Roles - Funeral and Thanksgiving services - information

As many of you know, Chris Roles died peacefully at home on Sunday 25th May following a short illness. Our prayers are with Penny, Ollie, Sam and Miranda and with Chris' sister Liz.

There will be a funeral service at The United Church Winchester on Monday 9th June and a Thanksgiving Service at Hinde Street Methodist Church London on Monday 28th July. Please wear darker clothes. Details of the services are below.

Please attend the most appropriate service for you and it is also fine to attend both. The thanksgiving service will particularly reflect Chris' career, and we will hear from colleagues as well as friends.

We would love you to stay for lunch so that there is time to meet you and share memories about Chris.

It would be very helpful if you could let us know if you intend to stay for lunch at either event, so we have an idea of numbers. Please do this as soon as possible on chris.roles.beloved@gmail.com

Monday 9th June Funeral Service

11.30am United Church Winchester, Jewry Street, Winchester SO23 8RZ Followed by lunch in the church hall

(A private committal will follow in the late afternoon at Test Valley Crematorium)

Monday 28th July Thanksgiving Service

12.00 Hinde Street Methodist Church, London W1U 2QJ Followed by a late lunch in the church hall.

Church Camp

This year is from 4th - 6th July. All are welcome to come along for a relaxing weekend camping and enjoying each other's company in the beautiful New Forest. We will be camping at Foxlease Park in Lyndhurst. Day/evening visitors also very welcome, we would love to see you there.

Spare camping kit available if you wish to join in but don't have the kit, pick up from Brockenhurst station, or lifts from Winchester also available..

Please contact Melanie Grigorian on 07752174041 melanie@grigorian.co.uk for more information and to let me know you would like to come.

Collection and donations

There will not be a collection during services, but donations are always welcome and can be placed in the donations box or using the card machine at the top of the stairs. If you would like to make a regular donation, please contact finance@ucw.org.uk

July/August Yours

The deadline for July/August Yours is Monday 9 June. All contributions welcome. Send to yours@ucw.org.uk or post to the church office.

People's Piano Event on 5 July

The United Church has secured a place within this year's *Winchester Hat Fair* programme of events. Taking part in this day of community activities will support promoting our new piano as a 'People's Piano'. We aim to create a welcoming place for all. We hope that the new piano will help us in that endeavour.

This will be a great opportunity to bring people from the community into our building. It will be a fun occasion for anyone who loves to play the piano (but may not often get the chance to play on a Boston Steinway) to come and have a go!

So please do come along and join the fun on Saturday 5 July between 10am and 3pm! Have a go on the piano or just enjoy listening to others. Enjoy a coffee/tea and a piece of cake whilst you are with us.

Everyone is welcome, whether young, old or somewhere in between and whatever kind of music you like to play or listen to. Please tell your friends, especially those who would like to come to play the piano.

Jane Lawson, Rosie and Howard Mellor and Andrea Berriman are making headway in organising this event. Our thanks to Martin Hillier, who has offered to help us make the space inside the sanctuary look great for the day!

Thank you!

Volunteers needed please!

We hope as many church members as possible will help on the day.

We would particularly welcome support in ...

- staffing the coffee bar and in making cakes or biscuits to sell. This will help us raise funds for the piano
- Telling your friends and contacts about this so that they call in on us to join in the fun
- If you are a talented musician, you might like to come to help identify people who come in who we could invite to take part in a fundraising concert in September
- Alternatively, you might feel you could offer an hour to welcome people at the front door.

Please speak to Jane Lawson, Rosie and Howard Mellor and Andrea Berriman, if you can help in any way.

Spotlight

Please send items for the next edition of Spotlight by Monday 30 June to spotlight@ucw.org.uk or by post to the church office.