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## Notices Sunday 10 August Worship

<b>All Saints</b>	<b>Trinity</b>
<p><b>Sunday 10 August 10:30am</b> Morning Worship Led by Belinda Kaur</p>	<p><b>Sunday 10 August 10:30am</b> <b>Morning Worship &amp; Communion</b> led by Revd Georgina Bondzi-Simpson</p> <p><b>6:30pm Evening Worship</b></p>
<p><b>Sunday 17 August 10:30am</b> Morning Worship led by Revd Carol Hamilton-Foyn</p>	<p><b>Sunday 17 August 10:30am</b> <b>Morning Worship</b> led by Revd Alan Grist</p>
<p><b>Saturday 23 August 3pm Trinity Church</b> The Induction of The Revd Georgina Bondzi-Simpson as Superintendent Minister of the Wantage &amp; Abingdon Methodist Circuit Conducted by The Revds Dr Sonia Hicks and Bruce Thompson</p> <p><b>All Welcome</b></p>	

## ALL SAINTS NEWS

**Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust annual Stride** will take place on **Saturday 13th September**, from 10am to 6pm, when All Saints will be open to welcome Striders. If you can spare an hour or more to greet visitors, please speak to me or phone 01235521300. Thank you, Margaret Hoskins

A copy of the latest **Future Pillars Zambia** newsletter is on the Notice Board. Please borrow it and return to the board. *Rosemary.*

**Worship Stewards:** Worship Stewards are vital to the smooth running of services and All Saints has an excellent team but, as the saying goes, the more the merrier so if you think you might like to become a Worship Steward please speak to Judith Penrose Brown or Sue Butler and they will fill you in on what the job involves.

**Can you help?** All Saints is looking for a ***Property Coordinator***. If you would like to find out more please speak to one of the stewards. The Stewards team will be happy to support anyone as they carry out their roles.

## TRINITY NEWS

**Thursday Group, 14 August:** Our next meeting is an evening of coffee/tea cake and chat at Val Dalby's home in Sutton Courtney. Start time 7pm. Val has suggested that if the weather is good some people might like to have a short walk along the brook --- so appropriate footwear please. If anyone from Abingdon would like a lift please let Maggie know ASAP.

On **Saturday 23 August** Trinity is hosting the **Circuit Service** to welcome Georgina to her new role as Circuit Superintendent. If you are able, please sign up to offer a cake, or help on the day. See the notice in the welcome area.

**Ride & Stride and Heritage Open Days – Welcomers Needed on Saturday 13th September & Sunday 14th September.** Please sign up on the board at the back of church if you are available to be a welcomer. Your support will be much appreciated. *Alastair*

**Lynnette and Jackie** will be riding their mobility scooters around Abingdon's churches for Ride & Stride. You can sponsor them using the form on the board. 50% of the money comes to Trinity and 50% to the Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust.

**Christine Hutchinson:** Christine is now settling into an annexe of her daughter's house in Lew, Bampton. As well as being close to her daughter, Isobel, she has daily carers. Christine would welcome visitors but please let Isobel know if you plan to go.

**Commitment for Life:** There is a poster and several leaflets about the work of C for L in Zimbabwe on the noticeboard ***at the front on the north side***. *Ruth Dams*

## NOTICES

**Foodbank:** In July 2025, your donations helped Abingdon Foodbank to distribute 184 food parcels to people facing hardship in Abingdon and the surrounding villages. These parcels fed 496 people, of which 207 were children.

Current needs are coffee, tinned pineapple, tinned meatballs, marmite, honey, sardines/mackerel and tinned ham. It also needs shower gel, toothbrushes, and deodorant (men & women). *Very many thanks for all the many donations. JPB*

**Dementia Study:** Kerri Rance is exploring the experiences of informal family and friend carers of people living with dementia during an acute hospital stay, as part of a PhD in Dementia Studies. He is interested in finding out about the positives and challenges of the time the person living with dementia was in the hospital. For more information see p4.

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

**Sunday 17 August, 3pm Concert by the Tessera Viol Consort;** St Michael & All Angels' Church. A feast of English music from the 17th Century including trios by Locke, Gibbons and Purcell. Tickets £12, accompanied children under 16 free, available online at <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/EXZM> or by cash/card on the door.. Proceeds to St Michael's Church funds and Tessera Viol Consort. Refreshments available and free parking

**Thursday 21 August, 7pm, Choral Evensong in St Nicolas' Church.** Preacher: The Rt Revd Gavin Collins, Bishop of Dorchester. The service will be based on music by Orlando Gibbons.

**Saturday 23 August, 2.30 pm – 4.30 pm,** St Michael's Church will be hosting the penultimate Cream Tea of their popular summer series. Join us for an afternoon of live music. Tea/coffee with scone/cake £5. Proceeds to church funds. All welcome.

**Sunday 14 September,** St Michael's Church, 3 pm: **Huw Rhys James**, Viennese conductor and concert pianist is returning to for the 6th time to perform music by Haydn, Mozart, Liszt and Debussy. Tickets £12, accompanied children under 16 free, available online from 1st August at <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FBGM> or by cash/card on the door.

**24-7 PRAYER at Peachcroft Christian Centre:** Prayer connects us all with God. As part of the Global Week of 24-7 Prayer PCC will be hosting a prayer room, with non-stop prayer happening day and night. **Friday 5 September at 7.00 am to Sunday 7 September at 8.00 am.** We invite you to join us praying for our world and our community. There will be themed prayer stations set out in the main church hall. You can just drop in or sign up for one or more hour long slots. To find out more visit <https://www.peachcroftcc.org/prayer/24-7-prayer-september-2025>.

**Next Week:** I am on leave Monday 11- Friday 15 August so may not get a news sheet out next week (Services take priority), but I will be checking emails and if there is any urgent information I will send it round at the weekend. *Eluned*



## ARE YOU A FAMILY OR FRIEND INFORMAL CARER FOR SOMEONE LIVING WITH DEMENTIA?

### I would like to recruit participants who are

- Adults (aged over 18 years) who live in Oxfordshire and neighbouring counties (Northamptonshire, Warwickshire, Buckinghamshire, Berkshire, Wiltshire, Gloucestershire)
- You will be a family or friend informal carer (unpaid) for a person living with dementia
- The person you care for will live in their own home
- The person you care for will have had a stay in an acute hospital for more than 24 hours in the last two years (but are not currently in hospital)

### What is involved?

- An interview to talk about your experiences when the person you care for was in the hospital
- The interview will last up to one hour and can be online via Microsoft Teams, on the telephone or in person at a location of your choice
- Participation is voluntary

**For more information, please contact Kerri Rance or scan the  
QR code**



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**[Click here for further information](#)**

All responses will be kept strictly confidential, and the results will be reported in my PhD thesis and may be submitted for publication in an academic or professional journal and presented at conferences. The results will be shared with qualified and unqualified healthcare professionals to develop learning and enhance the care provided to people living with dementia and their informal carers.