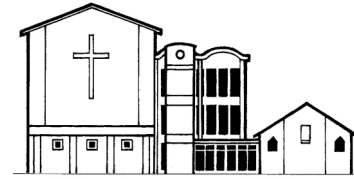


TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH

Welcome to our Services to-day.
If you are visiting us we are pleased to see you
and hope that you will join us for tea or coffee
and fellowship after this morning's service.



Sunday 17th December 2023 Advent 3

- 9.30am Worship led by Mike Fogg
 Sunday Club in the Link
- 12.30pm Friendship lunch hosted by the Essams.
 NO 2pm Holy Communion.
- 6.00pm The 'Big Sing'.
 Prayers for Hatfield Peverel, Moulsham Lodge and Hall Street.



Sunday 24th December 2023 Advent 4

- 9.30am Worship led by Val Carter
 Sunday Club in the Link
- 6.00pm Pyjama Service
- 11.30pm Midnight Communion
 Prayers for Maldon & Broomfield Hospital Chaplaincy.



Monday 25th December 2023 Christmas Day

- 10.00am Christmas Day Worship led by
 Rev Mark
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Sunday 31st December 2023

- 10.00am Worship with Holy Communion led by Rev Mark
 Prayers for Hall Street, N Springfield Baptist Church &
 Canonesses of the Holy Sepulchre, Melbourne.

Sunday 7th January 2024

9.30am Worship led by Sue Johnson
Prayers for Witham, the River, Boarded Barns &
the Healing Bus.

Sunday 14th January 2024

9.30am AAW led by David Burton
Prayers for Moulsham Lodge, St. Martin's Church, Lit. Waltham
& Chelmsford Vineyard Church.

Events: Monday 18 December 2023– Saturday 20 January 2024.

Thursday 21 December 7pm. Beer and Carols at the Black Bull Pub with Rev Mark.

Writtle House group:

Thursday 21 December 7.30pm Writtle House group. 'A Christmas Evening.'

Thursday 18 January 7.30pm Writtle House group. Planning for 2024.

Coffee and Friends:

Friday 5 January 10am Coffee and Friends

Friday 19 January 10am Coffee and Friends

Men's Supper Club:

Thursday 11 January 7.15pm for 7.30pm. Speaker: Susan Ronaldson -
'Rowing the Atlantic.'

Trinity Care Group resumes on Wednesday 7 February 2024 at 10am.

We were saddened to hear of the recent death of Carol John, daughter of Pat Robinson. Please remember the family in your prayers.



**THE CHURCH OFFICE CLOSSES ON MONDAY 18 DECEMBER
AND REOPENS ON MONDAY 8 JANUARY 2024.**



Trinity Methodist Church

Chelmsford

The **'Big Sing'** Christmas Carols

Sunday 17th December 2023 at 6pm

Everyone is welcome



No need to book, join us on this special evening.

Refreshments available on the night.

Trinity Methodist Church, Rainsford Road, Chelmsford CM1 2XB

<https://www.trinitymethodistchelmsford.org/>





Thank you for your donation to the Middle East Crisis Appeal that Christian Aid launched in response to the terrible events and desperate humanitarian situation in Israel and the Occupied Palestinian territory. So far, churches like yours have come together and raised over £1.3m to provide essential humanitarian relief and psychological support to those who have been impacted. I thought you might appreciate an update on Christian Aid's response.

Our partners in Gaza have been responding as best they can, under intense pressure, with medical relief and community-led initiatives such as food, shelter, sanitation and cash. However, it is extremely dangerous to move around, and supplies of essentials are running perilously low.

Since early November, Christian Aid has been working with Zochrot, an Israeli civil society organisation based in Tel Aviv. We are supporting them to provide trauma based psychological assistance to Israelis who have been affected by the escalation of violent conflict since the 7th October. Christian Aid is also funding Zochrot to continue their ongoing community-based work with Israelis.

During the recent humanitarian pause Christian Aid's partners continued to work hard. It was an opportunity to meet each other, to assess the damage and to plan for further violence. For example, centres in Khan Younis sheltering displaced people have been working together to learn lessons and share experiences to plan. Each centre has an emergency committee that meets daily and those committees met up during the pause to see what can be improved. This has allowed different centres to learn from one another.

Some of our other partners have been able to go back to their offices in Gaza city to assess the damage. While buildings are standing, they have sustained heavy damage. Our partner, PARC, is now managing to provide cash vouchers for people in the North. They're struggling to deliver food packages, so cash is a good alternative.

We have also been able to contact at least one partner that had stopped responding during the energy / telecoms blackouts. They're trying to assess the situation for their staff and we'll soon be sending a grant for them to provide stipends to help them to survive. They're making microgrants via Christian Aid funding to small, local associations to provide blankets, clothes and mattresses for the people sheltering with them.

There is still a lot of need and uncertainty, but none of this work would be possible without churches, like yours, generously giving, campaigning and praying for a fairer world, in which everyone can thrive.

Thank you again for your continued support, if you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask.

All the best
Alex

[PS here's a link to our appeal page where you can find further updates. If you scroll to the bottom there are prayer resources for use in your church service](#)

Alex Cassidy

Church Engagement & Fundraising Officer
(Cambridgeshire, Essex, Norfolk, and Suffolk)



NOTICES for SUNDAY 21 JANUARY 2024

to the Church Office - email :

trinitymethodistchelmsford@btconnect.com

Telephone: 01245-269079 by 7.30pm on

TUESDAY 16 JANUARY 2023

Church office:

Monday and Wednesday 10-12noon.

TRINITY NEWS

DECEMBER/JANUARY 2024 EDITION

AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE OR IN THE VESTIBULE.

(CLOSING DATE FEB/MARCH 2024 WEDNESDAY 17 JAN)

CHELMSFORD CIRCUIT NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2023 AVAILABLE

ON THE CIRCUIT WEBSITE OR IN THE VESTIBULE.

JOIN OUR FACEBOOK PRAYER SESSIONS:

6pm Fridays with Sue Johnson on Sue's Facebook



WELCOME CARDS

are available in the vestibule if you would like to share your contact details with Trinity.

INTERCESSIONS BOOK

A book is available in the vestibule for you to enter the name of anyone you would like to be remembered during the intercessory prayers.

LOOP SYSTEM

An Induction Loop System for the hearing impaired is fitted in the church.

Our Mission Statement

**Our mission is to proclaim the love of God,
in Jesus, to all people by:**

Being a place of welcome, worship & nurture

Belonging, learning & growing together

Serving the community in whatever way we can.

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