

The Drive Methodist Church
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NEWSLETTER

June 2026



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[https:// www.drive-methodist.church](https://www.drive-methodist.church)

Church Mission Statement of The Drive Methodist Church

The Drive Methodist Church aims to be faithful to the commandments of Jesus, and the calling of the Methodist Church.

The calling of the Methodist Church is to respond to the gospel of God's love in Christ and to live out its discipleship in worship and mission, and to fulfil the promises detailed in the Methodist worship book.

Provide a weekly opportunity for all people to worship God in Christ, here at The Drive Methodist Church.

Enable people to grow and learn as Christians through mutual support and care.

Be a good neighbour to the immediate and wider community. Sharing our faith with others through pastoral care, church activities and communication.

MINISTER'S LETTER

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Welcome to a new month! And what a gift to celebrate Summer. I wonder if you're enjoying the sun as much as I have, it's brought longer hours of light and exquisite blooms!

Today as I prepare this letter, I am deeply grateful for God's steadfast presence. This week I planned to take a few days off and help my daughter prepare for the new baby due in July. Our plans were completely disrupted as she landed up in hospital and her one-year-old got chickenpox! A week of real anxiety and God's miraculous grace and healing. Today I am so grateful that BOTH are recovering well!

Reflecting on this difficult week made me think of our Bible Month as we take on a journey of Philipians:

- **Paul reminds us of Joy that endures** – Paul's call to rejoice, even in hardship, rooted in confidence in God's goodness.
- That a **Christ-like humility** – the "Christ hymn" chapter 2 shows Jesus' self-giving love as our model.
- **Finally, pressing on in faith** – discipleship as a lifelong journey of growth and peace.

Wishing you all every blessing

Revd Jacqui

EDITOR'S NOTE

Hello everyone and welcome to your June Newsletter.

*"Summer suns are glowing over land and sea;
happy light is flowing, bountiful and free.
Everything rejoices in the mellow rays;
all earth's thousand voices swell the psalm of praise".*

These words from the first verse of the hymn by William Walsham How, sum up wonderfully the warm feeling we get when the sun shines. The sun being a sign of the warmth of God's love. By contrast rain is seen as a blessing, reminding us of God's faithfulness and provision.



As we are all too aware, the weather in the UK is very unpredictable which is perhaps why we Brits love to talk about it so much! While those who are sunworshippers love the heat, others, especially farmers and gardeners, welcome the rain.



I remember, in the week leading up to our son's christening, the minister at the time came to visit to talk through the service. As he was leaving, he asked if there was anything else we wanted to ask. I jokingly said could he ask God for good weather on Sunday as we were having a garden party after the service. He immediately, and quite sternly, said "NO! I can't do that because there may be a person down the road who wants it to rain" Well, that told me!

Audrey and Sophia are celebrating special birthdays this month. We wish them blessings and warmth and hope they have a wonderful day – whatever the weather!

Have a great June

Amen

WE ASK FOR GOD'S BLESSING AND PRAY for those known to us who are in need of our prayers at this time.

WE PRAY for those unwell, in body and mind. For those in hospital, for those awaiting operations and for those receiving treatment for ongoing illnesses.

WE PRAY for those going through difficult times because of financial worries, family problems or health anxieties.

WE PRAY for those who mourn the loss of loved ones, both recently and in the past.

WE PRAY for all those undertaking examinations, at school, college or university and for those attending job interviews.

ALL THE NAMES of these people are in our hearts Lord and you know who they are. May they all be comforted knowing you are with them all the time.

AND WE PRAY FOR OURSELVES, Lord, for those times when we are in need of your healing touch.

*When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

Horatio G. Spafford



A WEATHER PRAYER

Lord, we have all sorts of different weather.
Sometimes the sun shines and the sky is blue.
Sometimes it rains and the sky is grey.

And that mirrors our lives Lord.
Sometimes everything goes well, smoothly,
and we feel we are in the sunshine.
Sometimes nothing goes right, we feel sad or anxious
or we have problems that seem to have no solution
and we feel we are under grey skies.

And as we meet together to worship
there are people in both categories.
Young people eager and hopeful.
Middle aged people worried about their children's future,
their elderly parents,
how they are going to manage on their money.
Older people worried about their health
and the limitations of old age for which there is no cure.

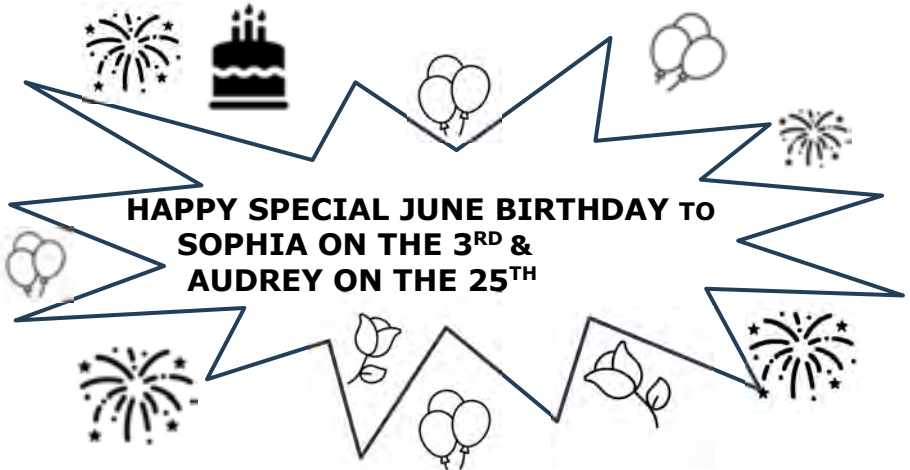
But we thank you that you are always with us,
that you never leave us isolated and alone.

As we worship you together,

warm, strengthen, feed and nurture us
with your spirit.
Amen.



adapted from a prayer by Hilary Stevens



**also Birthday wishes to
Susan (my sister) on the 5th
and everyone celebrating a
birthday this month. Have a lovely day!**

*(If you would like yours or somebody else's birthday
mentioned then please let me know! – Ed.)*

CONGRATULATIONS to:



Dayane and Niamah who have won Bronze and Silver medals respectively at the recent British Schools Judo Championships - *Brilliant girls, you now have a whole set of medals in your family, well done to you all* – Ed.





Lorraine who has recently become a great grandma again to baby Harry Charles - *Wonderful news Lorraine. All good wishes and blessings to the parents, Jordan and Beth and the whole family* – Ed.

Rochelle who has recently acquired a new job as a paralegal – *Excellent news, Well done Rochelle* – Ed.

CENTENARY MISSION DEVELOPMENT APPEAL



FUND RAISING UPDATE

Our Church Centenary Mission Development Appeal was launched on Sunday 15 March 26 with the aim of raising £50,000 over the next two years to support our Development Project.

I am pleased to report that we have had a fantastic response from our church congregation. Funds raised, donated and pledged over 24 months (including Gift Aid) total £32,321. However, we still have some way to go so the fund remains open. If you have not yet supported the appeal either by way of a monthly pledge or through a one- off donation and wish to do so please complete a Gift Form which is available with the hymn books. If you have any questions please speak with myself, John or Joel.

In terms of the overall Development Fund, we have a target of £600,000. With the land sale money, plus the Circuit grant of £125,000, plus the District grant of £25,000, plus the Awards for All grant of £8050, plus our own donations and pledges the fund stands at £529,777.

To close the gap, the Fund-Raising Committee will now be applying to various other Methodist and third party Trusts.

Jeremy

COMMUNITY LAUNCH 25th APRIL



On Saturday 25th April the church hall was packed with chairs and beautifully laid up tables. Cups and saucers abounded. The kitchen was a hive of activity where plates were being prepared with scones, strawberries and pots of cream and jam.

At around 2.30pm the Earl Grey Band arrived and loaded their instruments and speakers onto the stage. I took my seat in the foyer and sat at my table with my list of ticket holders and programmes, waiting to welcome. It was very peaceful sitting there on my own with my cup of tea...

...and then they came – hoardes of people who were attending the event including a number of our user groups, some of whom were performing. Our specially invited guests also arrived – Circuit Superintendent - Revd Mmasape Thathane-Tyolweni, Senior Circuit Steward - Deborah Acquaaah, Chair of London District - Revd Dr Jonathan Dean, Architect for the project - Rob Mathieson and wife, Rosie, Fundraising Advisor - Roy Hillman and wife, Liz, Mayor of Redbridge - Cllr Beverly Brewer, Redbridge Police Supt - Clare McCarthy, Faith Community Liaison officer - PC Shahnuaz Meah and Ilford North MP Wes Streeting.

Starting with the Earl Grey Band, the entertainment continued with wonderful dancing and singing from the

Nandana Dance Group, Muthurhara Group and Anan Arts Group.

Everyone enjoyed a delicious tea with Lorraine's homemade scones, cream, jam, strawberries and a piece of cake. The prize ticket draw was won by Brian Grinham, a worthy winner

being The Drive's oldest member. (Despite what Brian tells you – it was not fixed!)

A young lady from the Anan Arts Group led us in the final song, *Auld Lang Syne*, and the hall was filled with a great community spirit as we all sang along.

There were many people involved in making this successful and enjoyable afternoon happen – too many to name individually but a huge thank you to Lorraine, Jeremy and their teams.

Diane



PLANT SALE 16TH MAY

We haven't held a plant sale at the church for some years but given their past success, the Centenary Fundraising Committee decided to include a plant sale as part of the programme for fundrasing activities this year.

We were fortunate that the rain held off and the event which included tea/coffee and cakes in the hall was well supported by church family, friends and passing members of the public.

The final profit was £730.

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to make the morning go so well. This might become an anual event!

Jeremy



FROM THE CIRCUIT OFFICE



As we journey into June, we are delighted to invite all our circuit churches to take part in Bible Month 2026. This year, we will be exploring Paul's Epistle to the Philippians - a letter filled with encouragement, resilience, joy, humility, partnership in the Gospel, and deep hope in Christ.

Throughout the month, churches will be encouraged to engage with Philippians in worship, preaching, personal devotion, and group study. To support this shared journey, Bible Month workbooks will be distributed across the circuit to assist individuals and groups in reflecting more deeply on the text week by week.

In addition, we will gather online each Thursday evening at 7.30pm for a circuit-wide Bible study, where we will explore the weekly passages together, share insights, and encourage one another in faith and discipleship:

Meeting ID: 926 7109 8929 Passcode: 212939

We warmly encourage ministers, local preachers, worship leaders, Bible study groups, house groups, and individuals to participate as fully as possible in this opportunity to grow together in God's Word.

Paul writes in Philippians 1:6:

"...the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ."

May this Bible Month be a season of deepening faith, renewed joy, and strengthened fellowship across our circuit.

With every blessing,

Revd Mmasape

Superintendent Minister, Barking, Dagenham & Ilford Circuit

CUPPA WITH A COPPER 1ST JUNE

When: 10.00am, Monday 1st June

Where: At the back of the church

For how long: approx 1 hour



Why not come along for a relaxed informal chat with officers from our local neighbourhood policing team? It really is a social chat and not intended as a meeting.

We have been able to assist the team with individual observations and footage picked up from our church CCTV.

Likewise, the officers have been able to inform and help us understand about situations and policing in the local area.

Please share the details with your local friends and neighbours. Tea, coffee and cake will be available.



Lorraine

**BEING A
WOMAN IN
GOD'S
KINGDOM**

**SATURDAY 6TH JUNE
BARKING METHODIST CHURCH
10.00AM – 4.00PM**

**hosted by
Revd Mmasape Thathane-Tyolweni**

Guest Speakers:

**Revd Dr Kate Coleman, Revd Charity Tozvepi Nzegwu,
Revd Cham Kuar-Mann**

Ticket: £20 includes refreshments.

*Please contact Jackie Saito at the Circuit Office if you wish to
attend or want more details:*

bdicircuitoffice@btconnect.com 020 8517 6159



**SOPHIA'S 80TH BIRTHDAY
THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION**

SUNDAY 7TH JUNE 2026

**FOLLOWING
MORNING WORSHIP 11.15AM AT
THE DRIVE METHODIST CHURCH**

**SOPHIA INVITES YOU TO JOIN HER FOR
REFRESHMENTS IN THE HALL
1.00PM - 5.00PM**

(RSVP: 07985 411043)



**SATURDAY LUNCH 13TH JUNE 1.00PM
THE DRIVE CHURCH PARLOUR**

On this occasion, we will be serving Jacket potatoes with a variety of fillings and a mixed salad. The cost of the lunch is £5.

Please add your name to the list at the back of the church or send a WhatsApp message. All are welcome.



Lorraine

**TABLETOP SALE 13th JUNE 10-30-1-30PM
BEACONTREE HEATH METHODIST CHURCH**



**Why not call in to see what you can buy
or what others are selling,
or just for a drink and a sandwich.**



Also a Table for "Solving kids Cancer"

We would love to see you there.

METHODIST HOMES SUNDAY 14TH JUNE

Methodist Homes Sunday is an opportunity for the celebration of the work of MHA and the value of older people.

Previously called Methodist Homes for the Aged, MHA was founded in 1943 by Rev Walter Hall and the Methodist Church, at a time when many older people had limited support and the Welfare State did not yet exist.

From the beginning, its purpose was to improve the quality of life for older people by providing care, support and accommodation built on compassion, dignity and respect.

Over the decades, MHA expanded from a pioneering charity into a national organisation, opening residential care homes across Britain and developing services that respond to the changing needs of older people.

Today, MHA is one of the largest and well-respected care providers in Britain, supporting older people through a wide range of services designed to help people live later life well.

For more information about MHA and ways you can support see mha.org.uk



REFUGEE WEEK 15TH – 21ST JUNE



Established in the UK in 1998, Refugee Week takes place every year around World Refugee Day (20th June) and has since grown into a global movement with over 2 million participants, across over 20 countries.

Through an exciting programme of thousands of events, activities and media campaigns, Refugee Week brings together people from different backgrounds to connect beyond labels and foster a deeper understanding of why people are displaced, and the challenges they face when seeking safety. The theme for Refugee Week 2026 is Courage.

The end of the week is marked by Sanctuary Sunday.
For more information go to refugeeweek.org.uk and churchofsanctuary.org

FATHER'S DAY 21ST JUNE

Father's Day in the UK is observed annually on the third Sunday in June. The day celebrates fatherhood and honours fathers and stepfathers alike, as well as grandfathers and other paternal figures with meaningful roles in our lives.

Father's Day does not have historical or religious roots in the UK. It is a relatively modern observance that was adopted from the United States, where it officially began in 1910. It was introduced by Sonora Smart Dodd, who wanted to honour her widowed father's dedication to raising six

children. The idea spread internationally, and by the 1970s, it had become popular in the UK.

Unlike Mother's Day, which in Britain stems from Mothering Sunday in the Christian liturgical calendar, Father's Day is a secular celebration and is not recognized as an official public holiday.



CIRCUIT YOUTH EVENT
SATURDAY 27TH JUNE
BARKING METHODIST CHURCH 11AM – 4PM



An event for our Circuit youth with games, crafts, singing and worship.

If you would like to attend please speak to Jo or Michelle.



THE DRIVE CHOIR
EVENING PRAYER SERVICE
TUESDAY 30TH JUNE 8PM



To round off our Tuesday evening practices before the summer break you are warmly invited to join us for our service of prayers and hymns put together by Andrew and led by the Choir.

Refreshments provided. Everyone is welcome.

METHODIST CONFERENCE 25th JUNE – 1st JULY 2026
TELFORD

The Conference is the governing body of the Methodist Church. Meeting once a year, it provides a forum for prayerful reflection and decision-making on issues that shape the life of the Church, as well as matters that impact the wider community, the nation, and the world.

As well as its 225 representatives and 16 associate members, the Methodist Conference welcomes interested visitors and anyone may attend the open Conference sessions, visit the exhibition or attend fringe events. No tickets are required except for the weekend events. All the sessions are recorded and live streamed and recordings will remain available on the Conference website until the end of August.

You can find more information about what happens at Conference and details of all this year's events on the Methodist Church website: www.methodist.org.uk



THE ORB AND CROSS



On most Methodist publications you will see the Orb and Cross, in red and white. It has been carefully chosen to express the Methodist Church's deepest beliefs.

The Orb represents the world. The colour red, the traditional colour of Pentecost, may be taken to symbolise the Methodist conviction that through the power of the Holy Spirit, all humanity may be saved.

The Orb is charged with a radiant Cross, which, like the field it is set on, is white, celebrating the glory of the risen Saviour.

There is no boundary to the arms of the cross, just as there are no limits to the grace of God. Ours is a faith that addresses the deepest longings of the heart, but it is always turned outwards to the world and its needs.

from The Methodist Church Website

MORE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!



CHURCH ANNIVERSARY SERVICE & PICNIC

5TH JULY 11.15AM

Our Church Anniversary service will be led by our own minister, Revd Jacqui Jones. The service will be followed by our annual get-together at The Rodings, Roding Lane South from 1.30pm onwards. Everyone is welcome to join in our bring and share lunch. The Rodings is an outdoor space, but it does have a hall too. For more information and directions please speak to Jo, Michelle, or any of the stewards.



**FAREWELL SERVICE for
REVD MMASAPE THATHANE-TYOLWENI**



**THE DRIVE METHODIST CHURCH
SUNDAY 26th JULY 2026 4pm**



Revd Mmasape will be leaving the
Barking, Dagenham and Ilford Circuit
to take up her appointment in Exeter, Devon.
Join us at The Drive for a Circuit service to bid her farewell.

Refreshments provided.



**THE DRIVE CENTENARY MISSION
DEVELOPMENT PROJECT
FUNDRAISING EVENTS 2026**

SATURDAY 10TH OCTOBER



If you have any ideas and are willing to run a stall please let
Jeremy know. We are also collecting, bric-a-brac items,

books, DVDs, jigsaws, china (i.e. anything we might be able to sell) Thank you.

SATURDAY 14TH NOVEMBER



*More details to follow for both of these Drive events –
so watch this space!*

POLLING STATION

For as long as I can remember and possibly back to when the church and the surrounding houses were built, the hall has been used as a polling station for General and Local elections.

The local authority, who coordinate the arrangements for polling stations, pay a fair rent for use of the hall. However access is required from 6.00am on the day of the election until 10.00pm when voting finishes.

I am, therefore, very grateful to Mike Seviour who regularly attends at 6.00am on polling days to give the Returning Officer and his team access to the hall. Also thanks to Colin Runeckles who, as part of his security rota duties, ensures that the hall is locked and secure after polling.

Jeremy

Watching the news or looking at your social media feed, it's easy to believe that the UK is more divided than ever. But the reality is that you, and millions of others across the UK, show up for each other, your neighbours and your communities every single day. From donating to food banks to campaigning in your communities, from litter picking in parks to sharing a cup of tea with a neighbour. Trussell celebrate the acts of hope and kindness that our supporters take every day - thank you.

That's why Trussell are joining community and faith groups, alongside charities big and small, to come together to celebrate and inspire A Million Acts of Hope.

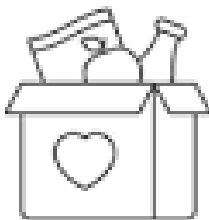
For more information about A Million Acts of Hope go to: millionactsofhope.org

FOODBANK

The Drive Methodist Church has supported the Trussell Trust for many years in providing donated food items to support the Foodbanks at Jubilee Church in Ilford and at Grange Hill.

Bringing just one item when you attend church each week, will fill our donation box.

Thank you.



COMMUNION COLLECTIONS

As you know, at our monthly Holy Communion Services an extra offering is taken up for a designated charity. These are mostly local charities, with one or two national charities as well as the Church Benevolent Fund.

If you are able and wish to do so, you can give to the charity by using the offertory bag that is passed around after communion, usually during or before the last hymn. You can also give by debit/credit card using our card machine and choosing the relevant charity option. The charity for the month will stay on the machine until the month end.



AVAILABLE FROM METHODIST PUBLISHING

CONVERSATIONS AGAINST MUNDANITY

A good conversation can unlock parts of us that little else can. There's nothing wrong with chatting about the everyday – it's what fills most of our lives after all – but those don't tend to be the conversations we remember. Instead we remember when we were honest enough with one another to open up and say something real and true.



Conversations against Mundanity is a card game that tries to kickstart those kinds of conversations. Because sometimes we want – need – more than small talk. Sometimes we're

hungry for something more than the mundane. The aim of the game is to have conversations that really mean something.

A METHODIST IN THE FAMILY?



You might be a Methodist who wishes to discover more about your family, or you might be someone who had never heard of Methodism (or Wesleyans, Prims or Bible Christians...?) until one turned up in your research. In either case, this book is for you.

Inside its pages, Philip Thornborow answers the top ten most frequently asked Methodist family history questions. He translates the jargon of Methodism and explains how having a Methodist ancestor might affect the family records you can find today. He takes the rise of the internet into account and signposts useful resources available in print and electronically.

FINDING NANA - AN MHA SPECIAL PLACES BOOK



For as long as she can remember, Nana's house has always been Ellie's special place.

But now Mum says Nana needs to move... into a Care Home.

Ellie needs answers. Will Nana like it? Why does she have to go? And... what is a Care Home anyway?

Finding Nana is a beautifully illustrated, fictional story following Ellie and Jack as they discover what happens when Nana moves into a very special Care Home.

In Finding Nana, readers discover the unique role of a chaplain within MHA's distinctive Care Homes, supported by the Methodist Church.

A heartfelt and honest story about loss, being real about your fears and the triumph of love when finding a special someone in a strange place.



To place an order or to enquire about the availability of a title:

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orders@norwichbooksandmusic.co.uk

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HELPLINES

SAMARITANS

Available 24 hours a day provide confidential emotional support for people who are experiencing feelings of distress, despair or suicidal thoughts. www.samaritans.org 116 123 (free to call from within the UK and Ireland), 24 hours Email: jo@samaritans.org

MIND

Mind offers advice, support and information to people experiencing a mental health difficulty and their family and

friends. Mon to Fri 9am to 6pm (except bank holidays).
www.mind.org.uk InfoLine: 0300 123 3393 to call, or text
86463 Email info@mind.org.uk

PAPYRUS UK

Papyrus is the national charity dedicated to the prevention of young suicide. They support young people under 35 who are experiencing thoughts of suicide, as well as people concerned about someone else. Their HopelineUK service is open 9am - midnight every day of the year (including weekends and bank holidays). www.papyrusuk.org Helpline: 0800 068 4141
Email: pat@papyrus-uk.org

YOUNGMINDS

www.youngminds.org.uk Parents helpline: 0808 802 5544
(Mon-Fri from 9.30am - 4pm, excluding bank holidays)

CAMPAIGN AGAINST LIVING MISERABLY (CALM)

A helpline for people in the UK who are down or have hit a wall for any reason, who need to talk or find information and support. thecalmzone.net Helpline: 0800 58 58 58
thecalmzone.net/help/webchat/ 5pm—midnight, every day of the year.

BROOK YOUNG PEOPLES SERVICE

Information, support and signposting service for young people under 25 on sexual health. Local services available via text message offering free contraception, pregnancy testing, counselling. brook.org.

CHILDLINE

Emotional support for children and young people on issues relating to child abuse, bullying etc. 0800 1111

FORCED MARRIAGES

Enter Forced Marriages into search bar at top of site - Service provided by the Foreign & Commonwealth Office to protect young people from forced marriages abroad. Service offers help to young people in these circumstances to help get them back to the UK. 020 7008 0151 gov.uk/stop-forced-marriage

NSPCC CHILD PROTECTION

0808 800 5000 email:help@nspcc.org.uk www.nspcc.org.uk
For anyone concerned about a child at risk of abuse.

**FREEPHONE 24 HR NATIONAL DOMESTIC ABUSE
HELPLINE**

0808 2000 247 www.nationaldahelpline.org.uk/

Run in partnership between Women's Aid and Refuge, this is a national service for women experiencing domestic violence, their family, friends, colleagues and others calling on their behalf.

NATIONAL LGBT DOMESTIC ABUSE HELPLINE

0800 999 5428 galop.org.uk/get-help/helplines/

Emotional, practical support for LGBT people experiencing domestic abuse.

AL-ANON FAMILY GROUPS

Helpline providing support for families and friends of problem drinkers, whether the person is still drinking or not.

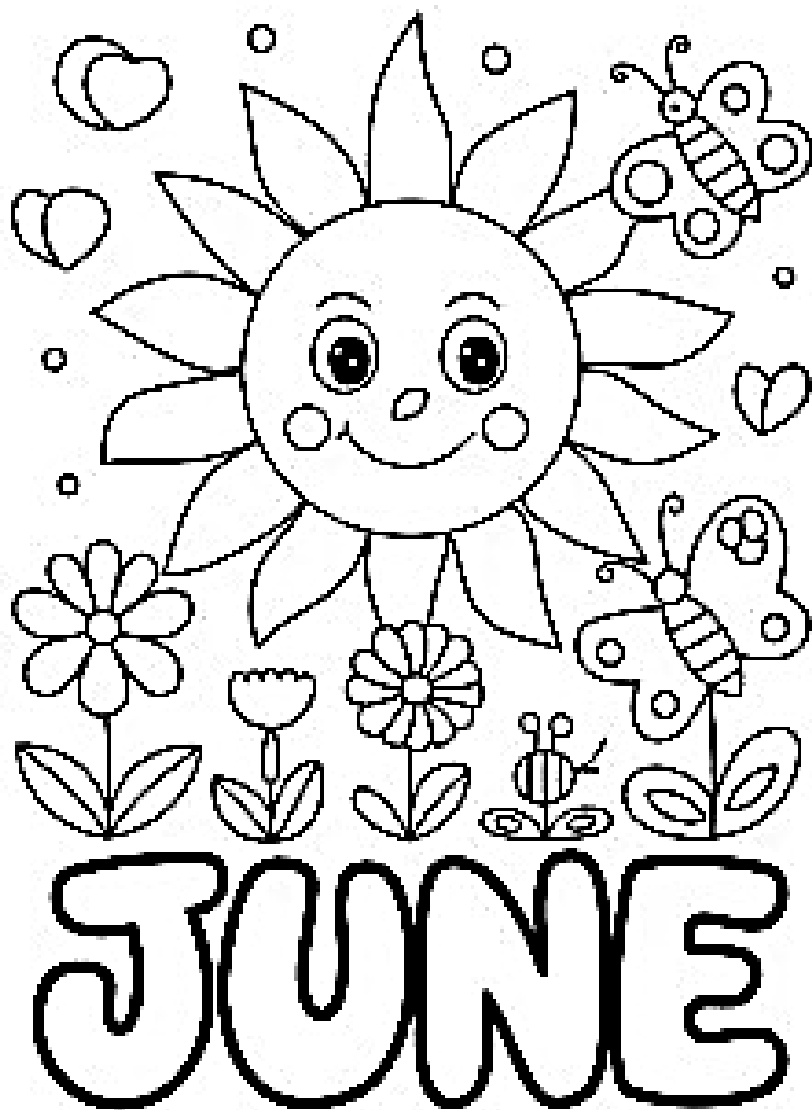
0800 0086 811 www.al-anonuk.org.uk

CHRISTIANS AGAINST POVERTY

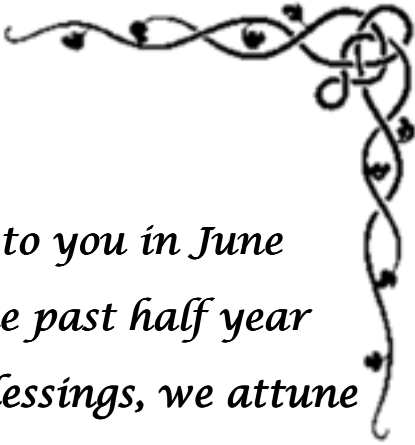
<https://capuk.org/> Free help getting out of debt, budgeting and making your money go further.

AGE UK ADVICE

0800 678 1602 www.ageuk.org.uk Information and advice for older people.



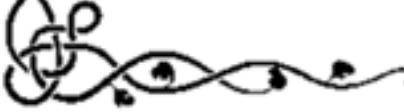
POETRY CORNER



*Oh Lord, we come to you in June
To thank you for the past half year
For your grace and blessings, we attune
Through every smile and every tear.*



*We praise you for the warmth of summer
And gentle breeze that fills our lung
We pray your love will always number
Cause in you alone our heart has sung.*



Catherine Pulsifer

DIARY		
MAY		
Sun 31ST Trinity Sunday	11.15am	Morning Worship led by Members of the Congregation
JUNE		
Mon 1 st	10.30am	Cuppa with a Copper see page 13
Sat 6 th	10.00am - 4.00pm	Being a Woman in God's Kingdom, Barking MC see page 13
Sun 7TH	11.15am	Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Revd Jacqui Jones
Sun 7 th	1.00pm – 5.00pm	Sophia's 80 th Birthday Thanksgiving see page 14
Tues 9 th	7.45pm	Choir Practice Parlour
Wed 10 th	7.30pm	Circuit Meeting at Goodmayes MC
Sat 13 th	1.00pm	Church Lunch in the Church Parlour see page 15
Sat 13 th	10.30am – 1.30pm	TableTop Sale at Beacontree Hth MC see page 15
Sun 14th	11.15am	Morning Worship led by Mr Robert Debrah
Tues 16 th	7.45pm	Choir Practice Parlour
Sun 21st	11.15am	Morning Worship led by Mrs Foluso Famoyin
Tues 23 rd	7.45pm	Choir Practice Parlour
Sat 27 th	11am – 4pm	Circuit Youth Event at Barking MC see page 17
Sun 28th	11.15am	Morning Worship led by Revd Stephen G Normanton

DIARY Contd.		
JUNE		
Tues 30th	8.00pm	Choir Evening Prayer Service see page 18
Sun 5TH	11.15am	Church Anniversary Service with Holy Communion led by Revd Jacqui Jones
Sun 5 th	from 1.30pm	Church Anniversary Picnic at The Rodings see page 20

AND FINALLY...

OUR NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL BE A

DOUBLE ISSUE
 DOUBLE ISSUE

FOR JULY AND AUGUST.

**PLEASE SEND ME YOUR NEWS, STORIES OR
 ANYTHING ELSE YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE
 WITH OUR CHURCH FAMILY.**

DEADLINE FOR ITEMS:

SUNDAY 28TH JUNE 2026

I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU.

THANK YOU!



Services every Sunday at 11.15 am

Communion services as announced

Senior Church Stewards: Michelle Garner, Diane Foster
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Flower Rota Secretary: Anne Dellow
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Term time only: Mon to Fri 9.15am-12pm; 1pm-3pm