



Godalming Unitarians

meeting at Meadow Chapel


April 2017 Calendar

Sunday Services at 11:00 am

2nd Danielle Wilson - Interfaith Minister and Unitarian London District Administrator - 'Prosperity as a Spiritual Exercise'

9th Edie Campbell - Interfaith minister and friend of Godalming Unitarians - A service for Palm Sunday
There will be a short story for all ages, and toys & colouring will be available on the gallery for families with children.

16th Rev Sheena Gabriel - Easter Sunday service.

23rd All Age Café Church led by Louise Baumberg
 This will be an informal service for all ages in the Hall, with home-baked goods, tea, coffee, music, discussion and meditation on the theme of *St George: International Man of Mystery*. Come a little early to load up your plate and cup, ready to start at 11am.

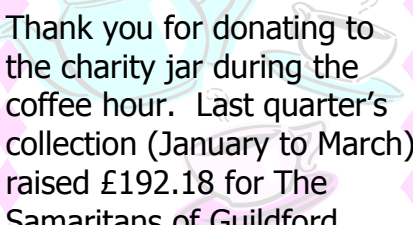
30th Sheena Gabriel & Rob Oulton - 'Naming, Knowing, Loving and Listening' - an Alternative service based on the book 'Simply Pray' by UU minister Carl Walker Wikstrom - with short readings, guided prayer / meditation, and music.

7th May Bert Clough - Member of Godalming Unitarians

Good Friday at 12 noon

Rob and Sheena will lead a meditative service for Good Friday in the chapel, with readings, meditation, silence and music. The service will be followed by a bread & soup lunch at 1pm. Donations to charity. All welcome. Please let Rob know if you intend to stay for lunch.

Coffee/tea money:

 Thank you for donating to the charity jar during the coffee hour. Last quarter's collection (January to March) raised £192.18 for The Samaritans of Guildford.

Sheena will be away at the General Assembly meetings from 9th to 13th April and on annual leave from 17th to 23rd April. For urgent matters during this time please contact one of the Chapel Trustees.

April Rotas

	Greeting	Refreshments	Flowers
2nd	Susie Kirkpatrick & Roger Hurley	Anne Rasmussen	Jeff & Sue Teagle
9th	John Lohrenz	Linda & Alan Day	Anne Rasmussen
16th	David & Dana Daniels	Christine Hayhurst	Frances Bergman
23rd	Ann Marie Walsh	David & Dana Daniels	Frankie Robson
30th	Nina Smit	Laurie Kulcher	Nina Smit

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Rob Oulton 07833 020035

Flower Rota/Weddings

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Other Diary Dates

Sunday 2nd April 12:30 prompt First Sunday walk
- see notice on page 3.

Wednesdays 5, 12, 19 & 26 April 7 - 8:15 pm
Meditation in the Chapel (silence from 7:30 - 8:00).
Contact Sheena Gabriel/Rob Oulton.

Tuesdays 4, 11, 18 & 25 April 6 - 7:30 pm
Ukulele Club in the Hall (arrive early from 5:45 to tune up). Contact Shirley Faraday on 07771 757163.

Thursday 13th April 7 - 8 pm Prayer Circle in the Chapel - see notice opposite. For more information contact Rob Oulton.

Monday 10th April 7 - 8 pm Thinking at Susie's. Please contact Shirley Faraday on 07771 757163 for more information or if you wish to attend.

Good Friday 14th April 12 noon Meditative service followed by lunch - see notice overleaf.

Thursday 27th April 1:30 - 3:30 pm Community Art/Cuppa in the Hall. Contact Pam Cookney at pamcookney@btinternet.com.

Looking ahead:

Friday 5th May 8 pm Book group: *Anna of the Five Towns* by Arnold Bennett. New members welcome. For more details (including venue) please contact Louise Baumberg at louise.baumberg@gmail.com.

Saturday 13th May 12 noon General Baptist Assembly AGM at Meadow Chapel. There will be a service, led by Sheena Gabriel, followed by a sandwich lunch, the AGM at 2:30, and ending with tea and cakes. All welcome. Please contact Laurie Kulcher on laurie.kulcher@gmail.com if you plan to attend.

Prayer Circle

This monthly gathering is open to all. You need not have attended the prayer course, previously held at the Chapel, in order to attend. The Circle offers a reflective and supportive space for your own silent meditation and prayer, using a 4 stage guided prayer structure: 'Loving, Knowing, Listening, Naming' (based on Erik Walker Wikstrom's book 'Simply Pray'). There will be an opportunity to light candles for yourself and others.

Notices & Announcements



First Sunday Walk

A five-mile, circular walk along the North Downs Way/Pilgrims Way to St Martha's Church and Chilworth village, with a picnic lunch on top of St Martha's Hill. Meet in the Chapel car park at 12:30 pm for car-sharing to start of walk.

Volunteer wanted

There has been a request for recordings of sermons to be available online. Would you be able to help with this? It would involve taking responsibility for recording the sermons fairly regularly and uploading them to the website the same day. If you attend services quite often and have a reasonable level of IT skills or are willing to learn, then please contact Louise at louise.baumberg@googlemail.com

Toilet Twinning

The collection from the Fairtrade service in February, plus donations from Meditation and Community art, raised the full £240 necessary to twin all 4 Chapel and Hall toilets.



Folk music evening

On March 11th Stuart Coupe and Mike Reinstein regaled a full house with a range of numbers from love songs to political satires, accompanying themselves on a range of instruments. Clever lyrics were complemented by creative tunes, some of which we were invited to sing along to. We were, in turn, entertained, moved and challenged.

The Chapel was bright with candles, and provided an excellent venue for the music. Wine, tasty snacks and 'conversation' were served in the Hall during the interval. It was good to welcome visitors to Meadow to share such an enjoyable evening. In total £320 was raised for MOAS, a Malta-based charity dedicated to preventing loss of life of refugees and migrants in distress at sea.

Many thanks to all those who helped make the concert such a success.