



Abingdon

**All Saints
Methodist Church**

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**Trinity Church
Methodist & United Reformed**

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Notices Sunday 8 March 2026

Worship

All Saints	Trinity
<p>Sunday 8 March 10:30am Morning Worship & Communion led by Rev. Georgina Bondzi-Simpson</p>	<p>Sunday 8 March 10:30am Morning Worship & Communion led by Rev. Wayne Hawkins</p>
<p>Sunday 15 March 10:30am Morning Worship led by Libby Bolton</p>	<p>Sunday 15 March 10:30am Morning Worship led by Rev John Anderson</p>

Prayer Group meets in the Perry Room, All Saints

10am Friday 13 March

All welcome

THE PASSION by The LAMPS Collective looks at the events leading up to the first Easter and is ideal to invite non church-going friends to in the lead up to Easter. Audiences describe it as "urgent, raw, compelling ... and astonishingly real"

Saturday 21 March St Mary's church, Iffley 7.30pm

www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-marys-iffley

Sunday 22 March St James the Great, Radley 3pm and 7.30pm

www.ticketsource.co.uk/lamps-collective/e-grkpjg

Friday 27 March Burton-Taylor Studio, Oxford 3pm and 7.30pm

www.oxfordplayhouse.com/events/the-passion

LAMPS would be delighted to see you supporting Christian theatre in Oxfordshire and bringing along friends with who you'd like to share the Gospel!

New Education Development Officer for TrinityLearning

From Pauline Main, TrinityLearning Chair of Trustees

I am pleased to say that following successful interviews, Hannah Richards has been appointed as the new Education Development Officer for TrinityLearning. She will take on the post later in the year, when her little girl starts school, with some handover during the summer.

Hannah brings a wealth of experience as a teacher, lots of ideas and enthusiasm, and may be known to some Trinity members as a "toddler mum".

Please continue to pray for TrinityLearning and the staff at this time of transition, and for Hannah as she begins to move into her new role.



Coffee Morning

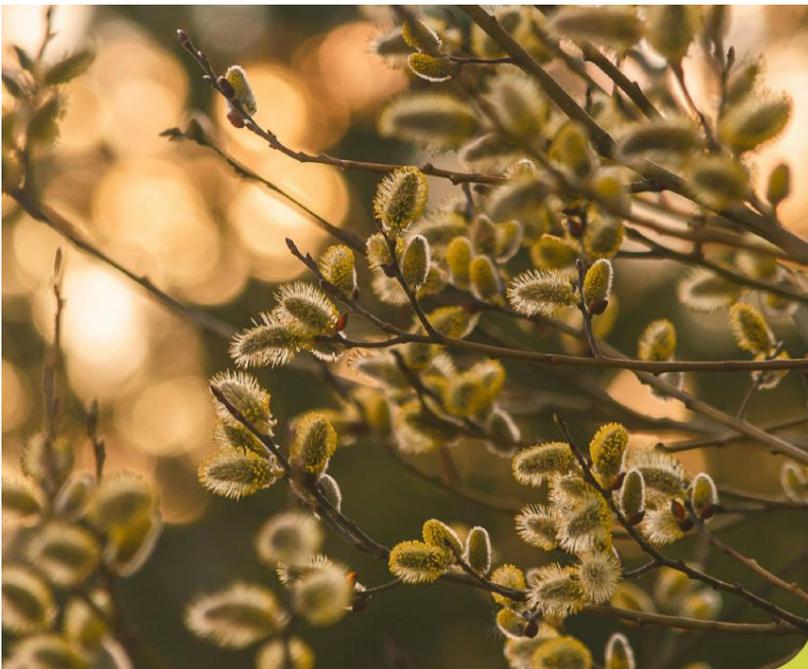
Friday 13th March
10.30 – 12.00

Coffee/tea, cake and
friendship

at

All Saints Methodist
Church, Appleford Drive

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ALL SAINTS NEWS

Maundy Thursday Service and Light Meal - Revd. Alan Grist will be leading our Maundy Thursday Service at 7.00 pm which includes a light meal and communion. To help with catering please add your name to the list on the notice board in the foyer.

Easter Sunday Breakfast - We will start our Easter Sunday celebrations with an Easter Breakfast starting at 9.15 am. To assist with catering please add your name to the list on the notice board in the foyer.

Local Arrangement Service – On 12th April we will be conducting our own act of worship. If you feel that you can help with this in any way then please let me know in person or by email (happleyard@btinternet.com). We will get together after the service on 22nd March to plan this together. Helen Appleyard

Planning for Growth - As you will have read in the notices in previous weeks each church in the circuit has been asked to consider and engage with 'Planning for Growth' and to establish a 'Growth Action Plan'. To help with this the stewards are inviting everyone to take a booklet which will be available from 8th March and prayerfully consider the questions contained in this. Please write your responses in the booklet and return to the box on the hymnbook trolley by Easter Sunday (5th April). *With thanks, The Steward Team*

All Saints would like **to donate** 18 Real Meaning of Easter chocolate Easter Eggs to the food bank. Inside the packaging is a booklet outlining the Easter story. If you would like to make a contribution towards this please donate in the separate plate in the foyer. For information each egg costs £5.50. Thank you for your support. *Joanne on behalf of Church Council.*

A message from the All Saints Pastoral Committee

As you know pastoral care is rooted in John Wesley's teachings and upheld by Methodist structures. A Methodist pastoral visitor is a Church member who is appointed to a small group of people in their local congregation and they connect with these people in many ways, usually through visits, phone calls and emails. They offer support and a listening ear in difficult times, pray for those on their list and inform the minister or pastoral secretary of any special needs.

If you think you might be able to take on the role of a pastoral visitor at All Saints please speak to Georgina or Sue Butler.

Maggie Blake (Benson) is *collecting for Ukraine*. Now winter temperatures are reaching -20°C and with little electricity available, desperate needs are Strong waterproof boots, Medicines/bandages, Candles/candle wax for heating, Warm clothing for indoor/outdoor use, especially warm socks, Electronic equipment to be broken down for parts to be reused. If you have any they can be dropped off at the Office. Many thanks

Foodbank: currently needs oat milk, pesto, rice pudding, sardines & tuna, custard, UHT milk, cooking oil, coffee, hot chocolate, corned beef, squash and tinned fruit. It also needs carrier bags and shampoo. *Your support is much appreciated. Thank you.*

In February, your donations helped Abingdon Foodbank to distribute 213 emergency food parcels to people facing hardship in Abingdon and the surrounding villages. These parcels fed 489 people, of which 169 were children. Please read the [February Foodbank Newsletter](#).

JPB

TRINITY NEWS

Thank You: After waking from my St David's Day afternoon 'nap' I opened the door to go into the garden and, on the doorstep, was the most beautiful bunch of daffodils and card from Trinity.

Thank you dear friend who brought me the daffodils and I'm so sorry I missed seeing you.

Thank you, also, my loving and caring Trinity family.

Blessings and love to you all, *Clare James*

March 14th Open Morning at Wessex Synod Mission House, 10:30 - 12 :30 am 1 Higher Blandford Rd Broadstone BH18 9AB. come along and see the house and project in action. Please let us know if you plan to come: cydo-s@urcwessex.org.uk

Easter Services: there are cards detailing Easter Services in Trinity & All Saints in Church. Please take one yourself, and consider whether you can help deliver them nearby – there will be bundles for distribution made up. *Thank you Alastair*

Church Twinning: Our friends in Schongau Bavaria have invited church friends from Abingdon, together with a group from St Niklaas Belgium, for a church twinning weekend from **4th - 8th June 2026**. Accommodation will be with host families and a programme for the weekend is planned. If you are interested please contact Alastair Fear or Margaret Greaney for more information by 1st April as places are limited.

ECO NEWS

Plastics affect us all.

This week why not take part in the Big Plastic Count (9-15 MARCH 2026) - see <https://thebigplasticcount.com/media/TBPC%20Count%20Sheet.pdf>

Some hard copies in church.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

This afternoon: Table Top Sale at Northcourt Community Centre – raising funds for a new roof. 12noon-3pm. All welcome

Monday 9 to Saturday 14 March, Abingdon Artists' Spring Exhibition: St Helen's Church (S Aisle) 10 am to 4.30 pm each day. With over 100 pictures on display, it's well worth a look and it's also an opportunity to buy cards and unframed work.

Tuesdays 10, 17 March, Stations of the Cross at St Michael and All Angels, at 7 pm (for about 40 minutes). These will be lay led. If you park in Park Road or

Crescent, come in to get a parking permit, otherwise the parking is free in the surrounding streets.

"Jesus' Journey to the Cross" - a joint All Saints/Trinity Lent course in the Perry Room at All Saints:

March 13th, March 20th and March 27th from 2-3.30pm.

We will be following Jesus' journey to the Cross looking at the Temptations, the events of Holy Week, Jesus' Trials and the events at the Cross itself.

All are welcome - just bring a Bible. Further details from *Rev Carol Foyn*

Monday 23rd March 2026, *Everyone an Evangelist*, a new zoom based course from the Methodist Church designed to help local churches and circuits explore how we are each called to share our faith.

Also on Wednesday 29th April, Wednesday 8th July 7:30pm-9:30pm

Interested or interested in knowing more? Please contact the Circuit Administrator – Jane Hawes - on: wantageabingdoncircuit@outlook.com

Tuesday 24 March Agnostics Anonymous: 6 pm in The Parish Centre, aiming to finish about 7.15 pm. "Are you saved. Ideas of salvation in the bible and today", led by The Revd Professor John Barton and the Revd Dr Jennifer Brown. Everyone welcome.

Save the Date, Saturday 18th April: bible study/retreat day to be led by the Rev'd Richard Andrew, President of the Methodist Conference, at Thornborough Methodist Church from 10am until 3pm. This is a district-wide event, and you will be very welcome to attend, in person or on Zoom. Further information to follow, but you are welcome to register your interest in attending office@northamptonmethodistdistrict.co.uk.

Wednesday 22 April, Just Women Open Meeting: with a speaker from Reducing the Risk (<https://reducingtherisk.org.uk/>) All welcome. 7:30pm in the Perry Room

Prayer for the Middle East

God of love,

As we see and hear the news of the devastating violence wrought upon and within the Middle East,

we hold your broken world before you in prayer.

We pray for lives lost, for people who mourn, and for those living in fear.

We pray for people stranded and in need of safe routes and safe harbours.

We long for peace

and pray that those who wage war might exchange weapons for words.

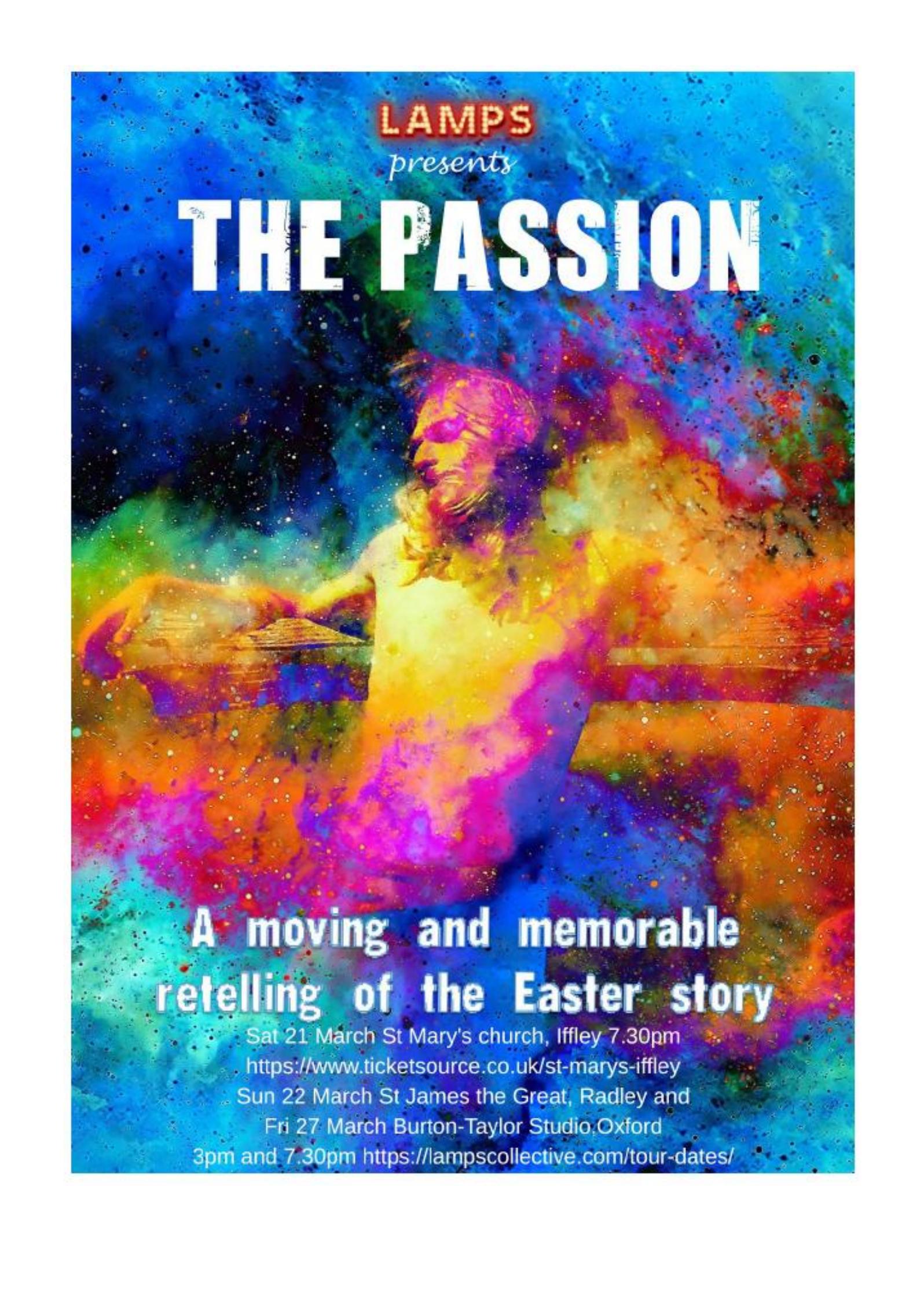
Help us to know how to pray, how to speak and how to act,

that we might remember our call to follow the Prince of Peace,

In whose name we pray,

Amen.

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Conduit Road



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Morning Service at 10.30 am

Maundy Thursday – 2nd April
Joint Services at either
Abingdon Baptist Church at 7.00 pm or
All Saints Methodist Church at 7.00 pm

Good Friday – 3rd April
Morning Service at 10.00 am
Followed by the Church in Abingdon Walk of Witness
and Service in the town centre starting at 11.45 am

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Service and Holy Communion at 10.30 am

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