



Minister: Revd Lucy Brierley

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*Whoever you are and wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome.*

**Sunday 9th March 2025 10.30am**

# **First Sunday in Lent**

**Morning Worship  
led by the Revd Lucy Brierley**

**Groups for children and young people meet  
after sharing in the first part of the service.**

This Service, broadcast live from the Church can be found via the Church's website - [www.wokingurc.org.uk](http://www.wokingurc.org.uk) our YouTube Channel or via our Facebook page. There is an archive of service recordings, including this one, on our website which can be viewed at home. If you would like some help to access any of them please email - [office@wokingurc.org.uk](mailto:office@wokingurc.org.uk) or telephone us on 01483 763078. If you would like a recording of this Service, and any other, they are available in various formats by request. Please contact the Church Office.

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# ORDER OF SERVICE

The Church is fitted with a loop system. The words of hymns and songs, and Bible readings etc are displayed on the screen. Bibles and hymn books in standard and large print are also available from the Welcomers. As the Service is live streamed you (and / or your family) could be on camera as efforts are made to help those watching at home to feel a part of the worshipping congregation in the Church. If you have any concerns regarding this, please speak to an Elder or Welcomer.

## **Welcome and Notices**

### **Call to Worship**

Hymn - Blessed Be Your Name  
I Surrender All (All To Jesus)

### **Prayers & the Lord's Prayer**

### **Family Time**

Hymn - O Spread Your Wings (Holy Overshadowing)

### **Children & Young People continue in groups**

**Bible Readings -** Psalm 91: 1-2, 9-16 Read By Dorothy Brassington  
Luke 4: 1-13 Read By Carol Glynn

Hymn - I Heard The Voice Of Jesus Say (R&S 349)

### **Sermon**

Hymn - All Who Are Thirsty (Come Lord Jesus)

### **Prayers for Others & Offering Prayer**

Hymn - Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah (R&S 345)

### **Blessing & The Grace**

# NEWS AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

You are invited to stay for **refreshments after the Service**. They will be served in the Forum and in the Sanctuary. Please do stay if you can to enjoy a time to meet and talk with each other.

**Heathside Car Park.** Free Sunday morning (up until 1 pm) parking for those attending this Church. Please key in your registration number on a device in the Forum in the Church *before the Service* each time you are here. The barrier will rise to let you out of the car park because your number will be recognised. If the device indicates 'number not recognised' please write your details on the sheet next to the devices and press the HELP button as you reach the car park barrier. Your number will have been notified.

**If you would like to donate to the work of the Church** this can be done in a variety of ways as described on the "Giving to the Church" page of the website. For one-off gifts, there is a direct link to the Dona online page from the "Give Online" button on the Home page, and the contactless device in the Forum is also available. There is a plate at the back of the Church and an offering bag under the Dona device in the Forum for anyone wishing to make a cash donation.



**Would you like to make a donation for flowers on a particular Sunday?** May be an anniversary, special birthday or remembering someone. There is a sign-up sheet in the Forum to offer a date in 2025. Someone else will arrange them for you.

**Prayer requests.** There is a box in the Forum with a pile of blue cards in front which you are invited to use to request prayers particularly on a Thursday morning or at other appropriate times at the Church.

**Responses to Giving Appeal.** There is a box for your envelope (addressed to the Church Treasurer) in the Forum or it may be put through the Church letterbox during the week or posted. Please respond by Sunday 23rd March if possible.

**Leading Worship elsewhere.** Andrew Gibb is at Windsor URC this morning.

**Service of Thanksgiving for Elspeth Carruthers.** This will be held at the Church on Friday 21st March at 3 pm, followed by refreshments. A Committal will have been held earlier.

**New Beginnings - free day Lenten 'retreat' on Zoom organised by URC Spirituality - Saturday 22nd March.** See details on poster in foyer. To book - <https://urc-spirituality.org.uk/events-and-retreats/>

**Next Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> March, it is the Surrey Half Marathon.** Please note the following parking arrangements as Heathside is expected to be full:

1. Sunny Meed Surgery, 15-17 Heathside Road, Woking GU22 7EY

This worked well last time and all the available spaces were not used. There will be a Church Welcomer on duty there. It is very close to the Church.

2. The Church car park. There will be a Welcomer on duty to ensure best use is made of all available spaces. Principally for those with mobility problems.

3. The side roads in the vicinity of the Church, including White Rose Lane, but please do not park close to the Church entrance as that causes problems on exit.

4. Heathside Car Park, if not completely full. Free parking still available there if you key in your registration number in the Forum as on every other Sunday.

**PLEASE DO NOT STAY AWAY!**

# WEEKLY CALENDAR

<b>TODAY</b>	URC Youth Assembly finishes at King's Park, Northampton 12.30 pm Food and Fellowship
<b>MONDAY</b>	7.00 am Early morning coffee for commuters and passers-by the Church. 2.00 pm Knitting Fellowship. Boys' and Girls' Brigades groups: Anchors and Explorers (ages 4/5 - school year 3) 5.30 to 7.00 pm. Junior Section Boys and Girls (school years 4-6) 5.30 to 7.00 pm. Company, Senior and Brigader Sections (school years 7-13) 7.15 to 9.15 pm.
<b>TUESDAY</b>	9.00 am Tuesday Prayers - Children & Youth Work focussed.
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	10.00 am Baby & Toddler Group.
<b>THURSDAY</b>	10.00 am Refill – Bible Study and Discussion Group (children welcome to come along with parents / carers) 11.00 am Prayers and Reflection in person and by Zoom Zoom link: <a href="https://Zoom.us/j/95986431118">https://Zoom.us/j/95986431118</a> Meeting ID – 959-8643-1118
<b>FRIDAY</b>	
<b>SATURDAY</b>	
<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b>	10.00 am Prayers in the Vestry 10.30 am Morning Worship led by the Minister Collection point for food and other items for the York Road Project and Your Sanctuary open every Sunday. Please see list below. 5.30 pm Youth Group
<b>UPCOMING</b>	<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March at 8 pm</b> - Recharge - monthly mid-week worship in cafe style. <b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 12 noon</b> - Lunch Club - sign up sheet in the Forum

**Collection point for food and other items for the York Road Project and Your Sanctuary open every Sunday.** The following items would particularly be appreciated: Sugar sachets, coffee sachets, jars of coffee, tea; pasta, rice; squash (orange or blackcurrant), bottled or cans of water; pot noodles; fresh fruit and vegetables; individually wrapped biscuits or other snacks, individual chocolate bars, tinned goods; boxer shorts (new) - men's small and medium. Your Sanctuary would particularly be grateful for pasta, rice, pasta sauces, jam, peanut butter and marmalade. Tuna, squash, baked beans, ketchup, mayonnaise, and tinned meats.

*Please take this paper home with you for reference and to use the information on this page and the previous one about meetings and events in your prayers this week.*