



Minister: Revd Lucy Brierley

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

**Sunday 11th May 2025, 10.30am**

# **Christian Aid Sunday**

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

**Guest Speaker: Osai Ojigho**

**Christian Aid Policy and Campaigns Director**

Osai is responsible for advocacy and public campaigning, and research, policy, and learning. Joining this year, she came from Amnesty International, where she had been the Nigeria country director since 2017. Prior to that, Osai was Oxfam's pan-Africa programme manager, based in Nairobi, and has worked in a number of other pan-African advocacy roles.

**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**

*Concluding our 24hour Praise-athon, this week's order of service is a little different...  
Before the service, right up to 10.30am, you will see the live stream of the Praise-athon, which will continue into our service and the 24 hours will conclude at 11am!*

## **Call to Worship**

## **Hymns**

## **Christian Aid Film**

## **Prayers**

## **Hymns**

## **Conclusion of Praise-athon Celebrations**

## **Children & Young People Continue In Groups**

## **Bible Reading - Readings By Janet & Lewin**

**Address - Osai Ojigho, Director of Policy and Public Campaigns,  
Christian Aid**

## **Closing Hymn**

## **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 either here at Church or from home. The Dona device in the Forum may be used for contactless donations and there is an offering bag underneath it for anyone wishing to make a cash donation. For one-off gifts, there is a direct link to the Dona online page from the "Donate" button at the top the home page of the Church's website or just scan the QR code.



**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.

**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.

**Leading Worship elsewhere.** Andrew Gibb is at St Paul's URC, Bracknell and Alison Sage is at Egham United Church this morning.

**(Annual) Church Meeting next Sunday.** Church Members on email will have received the agenda and papers, including the Annual Report and Financial Statements for 2024. Please contact the Church office by phone message or email if you would like paper copies. Anyone who is not yet a Church Member is very welcome to attend the meeting and request papers. If anyone cannot possibly attend in person, due to being confined to their home, and would like to share in the meeting by Zoom please contact the Church Secretary today for code and Instructions.

**Christian Aid Week - how you can help**

**Praise-Athon sponsor link -**

<https://fundraise.christianaid.org.uk/fundraiser-2025/24-hr-praise-thon-youth-camp-out>

**Christian Aid Week general donations -** 1. Dona card machine in Forum 2. Envelopes in the Forum for cash or cheques 3. Woking URC website 'Donate' link. 4. Bank transfer (please see details in May Church Magazine)

**Christian Aid Week House-to-house collection envelopes.** Please pick up a copy of the guide for collectors, and the number of envelopes you will need for the area where you have offered to cover from the table in the foyer.

# WEEKLY CALENDAR

<b>TODAY</b>	Christian Aid Week begins
<b>MONDAY</b>	7.00 am Community Coffee for passers-by the Church. 10.30 am Dementia Awareness - talk by Jenny Thornton, Surrey County Council Dementia Champion - <i>all welcome</i> 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>	9.30 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).  10.30 am Woking People of Faith Ladies Inter-faith Coffee Morning at Trinity Methodist Church.  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  12 noon Lunch Club
<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. 12 noon - (Annual) Church Meeting - <i>please see previous page</i>  Collection point for food and other items for the York Road Project and Your Sanctuary open every Sunday. Please see list below.
<b>UPCOMING</b>	<b>Wednesday 21st May</b> - 8 pm - Recharge - monthly mid-week evening worship

**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.*