



Minister: Revd Lucy Brierley

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

Sunday 18th May 2025, 10.30am

Why I'm Still a Christian

Morning Worship

Led by the Revd Lucy Brierley & Justin Brierley

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

This Service, broadcast live from the Church can be found via the Church's website - 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 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

Hymns - To God Be The Glory, Great Things (R&S 289)
Come On And Celebrate

Prayers & The Lord's Prayer

Family Time

Hymn - When I Needed A Neighbour

Children Continue In Groups

Bible Reading - Psalm 19 Read By James Gemmell
1 John 1v 1-4 Read By Julie Roxburgh

Address - Why I'm Still a Christian, Justin Brierley

Youth Continue In Groups

Hymn- Jesus Is Lord, The Cry That Echoes

Prayers for Others & Offering Prayer

Hymn- Lord For The Years (R&S 603)

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 parking (*up until 2 pm today only, otherwise 1 pm*) 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.

Christian Aid - You may still make donations / sponsor the Praise-Athon:

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

Use the card machine in the Forum or one of the envelopes for cash and cheques.

From home - go to the church website - www.wokingurc.org.uk - and use the 'Donate' link.

From home - bank transfer - details in May Church Magazine.

Carers' Cafe. If you would like to explore getting involved in this Church project for the local community, please come to a meeting after the Service in the lounge on Sunday 1st June.

Associated with this there will be a repeat talk by Jenny Thornton, Dementia Champion, Surrey County Council on Thursday 19th June at 11.30 pm (between Prayers & Reflection and the Lunch Club).

WEEKLY CALENDAR

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| TODAY | 12 noon approx (Annual) Church Meeting. Free parking at Heathside extended to 2 pm. 5.30 pm Youth Group |
| MONDAY | 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. |
| TUESDAY | 9.30 am Tuesday Prayers - Children & Youth Work focussed 11.00 am Bible Study 7.30 pm URC Buildings for Mission Webinar - <i>see details in May Church Magazine</i> |
| WEDNESDAY | 10.00 am Baby & Toddler Group 8.00 pm - Recharge - monthly mid-week evening worship. <i>Come with your questions about faith</i> |
| THURSDAY | 11.00 am Monthly mid-week Communion Service in person and by Zoom Zoom link: https://Zoom.us/j/95986431118 Meeting ID – 959-8643-1118 |
| FRIDAY | <i>Copy for the June Church Magazine should reach the editor - magazine@wokingurc.org.uk</i> |
| SATURDAY | |
| NEXT SUNDAY | 10.00 am Prayers in the Vestry 10.30 am Morning Worship led by the Minister and Justin Brierley <i>The surprising rebirth of belief in God</i> Collection point for food and other items for the York Road Project and Your Sanctuary open every Sunday. Please see list below. |
| UPCOMING | Sunday 1st June - Carers' Cafe 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. 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.