

Trinity United Reformed Church Wigan

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MISSION STATEMENT

Trinity United Reformed Church, Wigan, seeks to offer and extend the love of God, spiritually, emotionally, supportively and caringly to all people and by doing so to make a positive difference to our neighbourhood and the wider world.

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Trinity's Facebook page <http://en-gb.facebook.com/pages/Trinity-United-Reformed-Church-Wigan/298023660250351>

CALENDAR OF SERVICES, MEETINGS AND EVENTS

April 2025

Wednesday 2 nd	11.00 a.m.	Elders' Meeting
Sunday 6th	10.45 a.m.	Morning Worship with Communion led by Rev. Bill Wright
Sunday 13th	10.45 a.m.	Morning Worship for Palm Sunday led by the Choir
Thursday 17th	7.30 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service with Communion led by Rev. Malcolm Garforth-Fife
Sunday 20th	10.45 a.m.	Morning Worship for Easter Sunday with Communion led by the Rev. Malcolm Garforth-Fife
Sunday 27th	10.45 a.m.	Morning Worship led by Gail Rose

WEEKLY & MONTHLY CLUBS/GROUPS

APRIL 2025

Mondays 9.30- 11.30 a.m. Little Fishes Toddler Group
(In school term time)

Tuesday 2.00 - 3-00 p.m. Cuppa and Chinwag

Tuesdays 7.00 – 9.00 p.m. Closeknit Craft Club

Wednesdays 6.30 – 7.30 p.m. Trinity Junior Players

Thursdays 8.00 – 9.00 p.m. Church Choir Practice

**SUNDAY WORSHIP ROTA FOR ELDERS, HELPERS AND
CHILDREN'S CORNER**

April 2025





Date	Lead Elder	Helper	Children's Corner
6th	L.Lowe	T. Reilly	G. Lowe
13th	T. Reilly	L.Heys	S. Ledwidge
20th	K.Peet	L.Lowe.	T. Reilly
27th	G.Lowe	L.Heys	G. Mangham

**PLEASE ARRANGE FOR A SUBSTITUTE IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO DO
THE DUTY ON THE ABOVE DATE.**

THANK YOU.



CHURCHES' PARTNERSHIP (WIGAN N.W.) PRAYER DIARY 2025

APRIL 6th	<p>Those volunteers who listen to individuals who have problems or seek advice including Child line, the Samaritans, Victim Support, Citizens Advice, and Age UK</p> 
APRIL 13th	 <p>The Vicar, congregation and activities at St. Anne's and St. Andrew's Churches</p>
APRIL 20th	<p>The members of the local Fire Brigade and ambulance crews who risk their lives to save others.</p> 
APRIL 27th	 <p>The officers, soldiers and activities At the Salvation Army Citadel</p>

Prayer Partners 2025

‘Prayer Partners 2025 explores through prayers based around ‘Life giving faith, defiant hope and generous love’ - our new strapline.’

APRIL

Commitment
for Life

Life-giving Faith | Defiant Hope | Generous Love

Prayer for activists

By Global Justice Now

Dear God, we at Global Justice Now come to you with heavy hearts, seeking peace in a world overwhelmed by conflict and violence. We pray for an end to war and the suffering it brings, and for the courage to stand against the forces of oppression and injustice.

We ask for your guidance in our efforts to address the root causes of conflict, including the unchecked power of corporations that fuel climate change and perpetuate inequality. Help us to challenge their greed and exploitation, and to create a world where all people can live with dignity and respect.

We pray for the people of Gaza, and all those who suffer daily under the weight of state violence and oppression. Give them strength and resilience in the face of adversity and help us to stand in solidarity with them as they struggle for freedom and justice.

We thank you for the work of activists across the world, who tirelessly advocate for a more just and peaceful world. Bless their efforts and multiply their impact, so that together we may build a world where peace reigns and all people can thrive. Amen.



These prayers have been produced by Commitment for Life. www.cforl.org.uk

BIRTHDAYS TO CELEBRATE IN APRIL

Tony Currie	Marjorie Sharp
Sybil Callister	Alison Mather
Sarah Mangham	Eveline Ann Robinson
Stuart Priestley	Stephen Austin
Jessie Prestt	
Trish Reilly	



To those who celebrate their birthdays during April, we send our greetings.

FLOWERS IN APRIL

(Arranger Glenda Lowe)

6th []

13th Glenda Lowe - family flowers

20th []

27th The Barber family in memory of Malcolm



RETIRING COLLECTION FOR APRIL

The Retiring Collection for April is for DEC, which is a dementia charity.

MARCH GARDENING DAY AT TRINITY



Three intrepid volunteers had a gardening morning on 25th March, tidying, weeding, pruning and clearing litter.

Well done to the group. We greatly appreciate your hard work to keep the Church grounds looking as lovely as they do.

Jenny and Trinity attendees

CLOSEKNIT NEWS

On Tuesday 11th March, most of the Closeknit group went out to celebrate our 13th birthday. We met at 'The Wheel' (part of Wigan College), for a Greek Night. The meal was served Banquet style, so although the students made and served the food, we could also help ourselves for some of the courses. Everyone enjoyed the evening and we have said we will definitely go again. Jenny





Happy Easter
Everyone