

NEWS FROM THE NW SYNOD 21ST MARCH 2018



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3: North Western Synod of the United Reformed Church Legal, Trust and Property Officer Salary Scale £31,000 - £34,000

This is an exciting opportunity for a highly competent & personable administrator with legal, trust or property background, who enjoys working both alone and with others.

The post holder will work closely with synod officers & professional advisors. Duties will include committee work, and occasional visits to churches to offer advice.

Applicants must demonstrate excellence in people skills, self-motivation, teamwork, written and oral communication, organisational ability and time management; and a willingness to work within the Christian ethos of the United Reformed Church.

The post is based in the Synod Office in Eccles, Greater Manchester. Regular travel will be expected including site visits to churches, manses and sites within the North Western Synod as required.

Further information (job description) and application form available from the Synod Office - 0161 789 5583 or admin@nwsynod.org.uk.

Deadline for applications is Monday 16 April 2018.

Interviews including presentations will be held on 8 & 9 May.

4: Not the Moderator's snapshot (which is why he's in it)



At the recent Synod meeting, Bekki Radcliffe (North Western Synod representative to URC Youth Executive) took the opportunity to take a selfie with the rest of the Synod.

Bekki was there, along with a few other young people, to work through the Jesus Shaped Church material that accompanies the Missional discipleship booklet.

We only managed to get through 3 sections (Leo thought we'd do all five, but what does he know?)

It meant that we were unable to watch the ordination and induction of Daleen ten Cate, the Missional Discipleship Mentor for Lancashire Area – although we found out there wasn't much space anyway! But, after everyone went back into synod, we raided the buffet 😊

We spent time looking at who Jesus was and how our churches might change to more accurately reflect Jesus' values.

We plotted journeys and opportunities.



Please pray for:

- Daleen, and the other Missional Discipleship Mentors, as they continue and develop their ministry helping local churches in North Western Synod to develop their's;
- The children and young people in our Synod who can be catalysts for change in our local churches, and for those who enable and encourage them to come to Synod youth events;
- Yourselfs – that you may be clear in what your mission is and open to new opportunities to show God's love wherever you may be.

5: Crossfire Camp



Booking for Crossfire 2018 Open!

Crossfire Camp is an exciting event for young people aged 12+.

We meet together each May to explore more about faith in Jesus Christ through small groups, teaching, worship and a whole range of fun activities. Join us in 2018 for a great weekend of fun, meeting new people and exploring the gospel.

Friday 25th to Monday 28th May 2018

Stathern Lodge

Leicestershire

£30 per person

When booked before 30th March (£40 thereafter) Find out more by visiting <https://crossfirecamp.org.uk/>

6: External PT Free Church Chaplain vacancy, HMP Manchester in North West for your information, an external PT vacancy for Free Church Chaplain, HMP Manchester in North West has recently been advertised (15 Hrs per week). You can find summary details on the FCG website [here](#).



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<http://www.gmct.net>

Revd Dr Andrew J Lunn, 77 Green Lane, STOCKPORT. SK4 3LH
Phone: 0161 442 8121 – E-mail: andrew.lunn@methodist.org.uk

Closing date for applications: 23rd April 2018

Interviews will be held on 24th May 2018.
These will take place at The College, Fairfield Moravian Church, Fairfield Square,
MANCHESTER. M43 6AD

*An Occupational Requirement exists for the post-holder to be a Christian in
accordance with the Equality Act 2010.*

13th February 2018

8: Mandarin Fellowship Choir It's our privilege that the Mandarin Fellowship Choir was invited to perform in the 5th Choral Extravaganza on Sunday 18th March 7.30pm at Menorah Synagogue. It was a



multi-faith Concert and a donation from the proceeds is going to the Faith Network 4 Manchester.

The Mandarin Fellowship choir enjoyed this integrated events with Jewish Choir, Ukraine Choir and Siddique Muslim Choir. Particularly having 300 audients to sing Grand Finale in English, Hebrew, Mandarin, Ukraine and Urdu languages.

9: Found camera at Synod! A camera was found at Synod after lunch and despite Andrew Mills announcing it no one claimed this.

If this belongs to you or someone you know please can you contact the Synod Office on 0161 789 5583.

Obituary Notes

Please see original email from Synod of Wales below.

We have been notified that the Revd Margery Woodland died last weekend.

Margery was ordained in 1984 and served at Wilton and the Wyle Valley in Wiltshire from 1984-1994 when she retired and moved to mid-Wales where she became a member, and later an Elder, of Trinity Church, Llanidloes.

A Service of Thanksgiving for her life is to be held at 11am on Thursday 22nd March in Trinity Church (Short Bridge Street, Llanidloes SY18 6AD).

Adrian Bulley

Synod Clerk

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