



Thames Valley Methodist Circuit CIRCUIT NEWS



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CIRCUIT THEME FOR THE YEAR

Each connexional year the Thames Valley Circuit has a specific theme, which we invite everyone to remember and think about!

For 2017-18 it is

“I have come that they may have life, and may have it abundantly.”

(John, chapter 10, verse 10.)

When thinking about this theme, you might like to look at the various translations and consider the slight differences in emphasis and meaning.

CIRCUIT MEETING MINUTES

The minutes of the Circuit Meeting held on 22nd November 2017 can be accessed by clicking [this link](#).

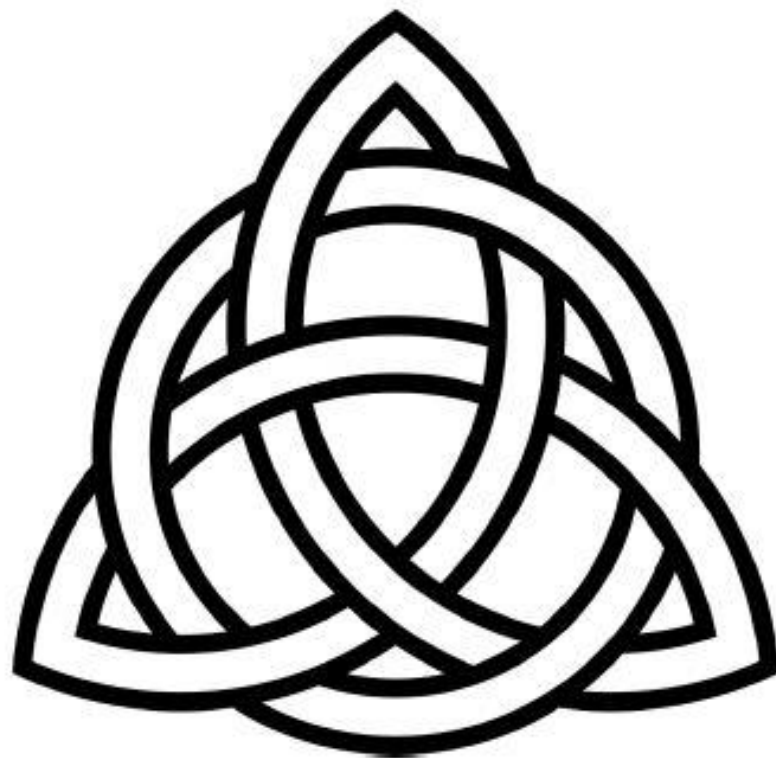
SMALLER CHURCHES NEWSLETTER

The Smaller Churches Newsletter for Q1, December 2017 – February 2018 is available on the website. You can access it from the OUTREACH page of the website or by clicking [this link](#). It includes a Christmas Quiz ... see how many of the questions you can answer!

Circuit Reflection for Ash Wednesday

14th February 2018

St Andrew's Methodist Church, Slough



11.30am-7.30pm

Call in at a time to suit you and
walk the labyrinth.



The labyrinth is a pathway to follow, in and out of concentric circles, with prompts to help you reflect. A version will be provided for those who prefer not to walk.



MEDITATION WEBSITE

If you have a few minutes to spare, why not try one of the meditations at “TakeTime”! This is a recently-launched website, www.taketime.org.uk.

These meditations are inspired by the tradition of St Ignatius and the stories of Jesus. They are free and are meant to enable you to encounter Jesus in a new way through guided meditation – all you have to do is listen and relax! If you would like further information, go to the website or contact [Connie Jeffery](#).

WORLD CHURCH RELATIONSHIPS NEWS BULLETIN

The December edition of The World Church Relationship News Bulletin concentrates on the impact of the youth in our churches throughout the world, including in:

- Panama.
- Uganda.
- Haiti.

[Click here to see it.](#)

PICTURES TO SHARE

The Circuit has two sets of illustrated books which are intended for use with people who have problems in communication, such as those suffering with stroke or dementia.

Each Church in the Circuit has at least one book which is available for use when visiting Care Homes, etc. If you wish to take advantage, please check with your church’s Senior Steward for details of the procedure for borrowing.

PLEASE SEND YOUR NEWS

If you have any news you would like to share with the circuit (and further afield) please send it to the [circuit webmaster](#).

NEVILLE WALTON: "HEADS UP" CHARITY APPEAL

Neville Walton is raising money for 'Heads Up' an Oxford based pioneering scientific research charity, aligned to The Head and Neck Cancer Unit, at the Churchill Hospital, Oxford. His treatment for tonsil cancer was recently carried out by this unit.

Such was the excellent skill and care Neville received, he is asking family and friends to consider making a donation to support their clinical, teaching and research work in the field of cancer of the head and neck.



His daughter, her partner, his grandson and friends, The Pink Mohicans, are committed to cycling more than 500 miles across France in aid of the Charity.

The family would like to thank you in advance for any gift you feel able to make.

Please send your donation to:

Neville Walton (HN)
Benwell House
Cox Green Lane
Maidenhead
Berks
SL6 3EY

or via The Just Giving website <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Gillian-Walton>



THAMES VALLEY CIRCUIT ANNUAL REPORT

The Circuit's 2017 Annual Report, for the connexional year September 2016 – August 2017 is available on the website. You can access it from the ABOUT US page of the website or by clicking [this link](#).

