



The
**United
Reformed
Church
Northern
Synod**

Prayer Diary 2023



January

- 1 Pray for the year ahead, for plans and resolutions
- 8 St Cuthbert's Centre, Holy Island; the Revd Rachel Poolman
- 15 Wooler; Church-Related Community Work Minister Fliss Barker
- 22 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity; The Anglican Diocese of Newcastle; Prospective Bishop of Newcastle the Rt Revd Dr Helen-Ann Hartley; Bishop of Berwick the Rt Revd Mark Wroe
- 29 Our global partner, the Presbyterian Church of Mozambique

February

- 5 St James's, Alnwick; Warkworth; the Revd Joan Grindrod-Helmn
- 12 Racial Justice Sunday; Racial Justice Advocate Pat Poinen
- 19 Church Action on Poverty Sunday
- 26 St Andrew's, Glanton; Longframlington; Rothbury; the Revd Ed Butlin; Youth Pioneer Worker Angela Feather

March

- 5 Fairtrade Fortnight (27 Feb-12 March)
- 12 Synod (18 March); Moderator the Revd Dave Herbert; Clerk Mel Campbell; Treasurer Gordon Wanless
- 19 The Anglican Diocese of Durham; Bishop of Durham the Rt Revd Paul Butler; Bishop of Jarrow the Rt Revd Sarah Clark
- 26 St Mark's, Amble; the Revd Alison Mills

April

- 2 South East Northumberland Ecumenical Area; President the Revd Julian Sanders; Treasurer the Revd Peter Rand; Administrator Paula Scullion
- 9 Trinity, Bedlington; Elsdon Avenue, Seaton Delaval; the Revd Alan McGougan

- 16 St George's, Morpeth; Great Bavington; Widdrington; the Revd Julian Sanders
- 23 The Anglican Diocese of York; Bishop of Whitby the Rt Revd Paul Ferguson
- 30 Trinity, Ashington; St Andrew's & St Mark's, Newbiggin-by-the-Sea; the Revd Marie Attwood

May

- 7 Robert Stewart Memorial, Newcastle
- 14 Christian Aid Week; Commitment for Life; CfL Advocate Chris Eddowes
- 21 St John's (Uniting Churches of Ponteland and Wideopen); Horsley: St Aidan's, Hexham
- 28 The Roman Catholic Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle; Bishop of Hexham & Newcastle the Rt Revd Robert Byrne

June

- 4 Stamfordham; the Revd Jona Sewell
- 11 Ministerial students Roberta Ritson and Louise Sanders
- 18 Bellingham; Falstone with Kielder; Wark; Deacon Anne Taylor
- 25 Refugee Week; North East Churches Acting Together

July

- 2 General Assembly (30 June-3 July); Moderator the Revd Fiona Bennett; Moderator-Elect the Revd Dr Tessa Henry-Robinson; Church House staff
- 9 St Andrew's, Monkseaton
- 16 Synod Field Team: Ecumenical & Inter-faith Officer Andy Lie; Youth Work Advisor John Stephenson; Children's Work Advisor Hannah Middleton; Safeguarding Officer Matt Knowles; Safeguarding Support Officer Paula Kitson
- 23 St Columba's, North Shields; the Revd Dr Trevor Jamison
- 30 St Cuthbert's, Heaton; St George's, High Heaton; the Revd Dr Grant Wilson

August

- 6 St Andrew's, Benton; the Revd Gavin Hume
- 13 The Roman Catholic Diocese of Middlesbrough; Bishop of Middlesbrough the Rt Revd Terry Drainey
- 20 The Church of the Good Shepherd, Battle Hill, Wallsend; the Revd Julie Mooney
- 27 West Denton

September

- 3 Creation Time; Green Apostle the Revd Dr Trevor Jamison
- 10 Education Sunday; Lay Preaching Commissioner Dr Ann Sinclair; Learning & Development Officer Lucy Cooke
- 17 St Andrew's, Kenton; Jesmond; St James's, Newcastle; West End, Newcastle; the Revd Ryan Simons
- 24 Our second world church partner, the United Church of Christ New York Conference; Conference Minister the Revd Dr Marsha Williams

October

- 1 St John the Evangelist, Kingston Park; the Revd Adele Moorhouse; the Revd Annie Gray
- 8 Homeless Sunday; Synod Meeting (14 Oct); our new Moderator; Synod Admin Team: Synod Operations Coordinator Lisa McAvoy; Office Manager & Moderator's PA Wendy Watson; Trust Officer Andrew Atkinson; Finance Officer Helen Hogg
- 15 Trinity, Gosforth; the Revd Alex Mabbs
- 22 St Margaret's, South Shields; Roker; Stockton Road, Sunderland; Grindon Church Community Project; the Revd Jane Rowell; Church-Related Community Work Minister Alison Dalton
- 29 One World Week; Methodist Newcastle District; District Chair the Revd Stephen Lindridge

November

- 5 Cromer Avenue, Gateshead; Denewell Avenue, Gateshead; Bethel, Christ Church, Stanley; Chester-le-Street; Waddington Street, Durham; the Revd Marcus Hargis; Youth Pioneer Worker Esther Bailey
- 12 Remembrance Sunday
- 19 Inter Faith Week
- 26 St Andrew's, Dawson Street, Crook; the Revd Christopher Humble

December

- 3 Methodist Darlington District: District Chair the Revd Richard Andrew
- 10 St Columba's, Billingham; Church-Related Community Work Minister Ann Honey; St George's, Hartlepool; Stockton; St Andrew's Mission, Thornaby; St Andrew's, Nunthorpe & Marton; Guisborough; Redcar, and the Mission House
- 17 Northgate, Darlington; Zion, Northallerton; Low Row with Keld
- 24 Baptist Northern Association; Transitional Strategic Regional Minister the Revd Hayley Young
- 31 Salvation Army North East Division; Divisional Commanders Majors David & Gillian Burns

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

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