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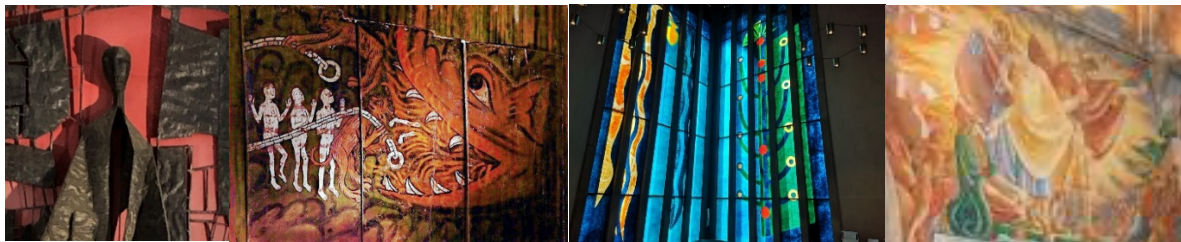
## CMD Programme Summer 2022

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### Art in Church: Mission, theology and the beauty of God

Wednesday evenings in June and July 2022

7.00-8.30 pm



In this series we will look at a range of artwork in churches across the diocese. We will spend some time looking at the art; and thinking about what it has to say for the mission of the church and how we speak of God.

Sessions will include time to look at the artwork; reflections on its artistic, historical, and theological significance; and a short time of prayer with the art.

Feel free to come to one or all of the sessions:

<a href="#">Session 1:</a>	8 <sup>th</sup> June	St Stephen's Southmead, Bristol	Ascension Reredos
<a href="#">Session 2:</a>	15 <sup>th</sup> June	St James, Dauntsey	Doom Board
<a href="#">Session 3:</a>	29 <sup>th</sup> June	All Saint's Clifton, Bristol	Baptistry Windows
<a href="#">Session 4:</a>	6 <sup>th</sup> July	St Barnabas, Gorse Hill, Swindon	Mural Paintings

Open to all

Register to attend via Eventbrite using the session links above

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## **Safeguarding Workshop on Domestic Abuse and Pastoral Practice.**

**Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> May 2022  
10am-12.30pm**

**Hillside House, 1500 Parkway North,  
Stoke Gifford, BS34 8YU**

**Led by Helen Styles, Safeguarding  
Training and Development Officer**

An interactive workshop picking up on themes from Helen Paynter's session last term and from the CofE's online module on Domestic Abuse Awareness (now available). This workshop will look at practical ways that ministers can implement their learning from these sessions.

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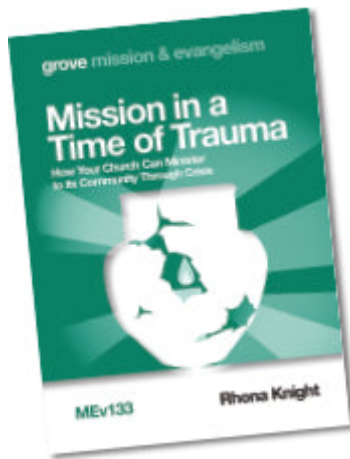
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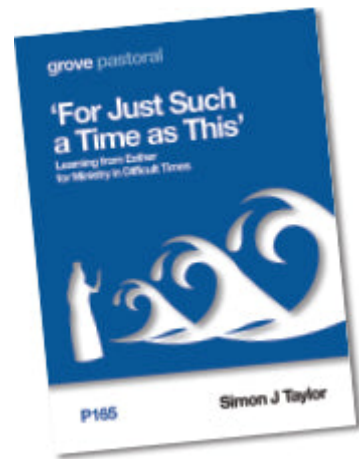
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**“For just such a time as this”:**

**Mission and Ministry in a Time of Trauma.**



**Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2022  
7.30-9pm**

**Zoom**

**Led by Rhona Knight and Simon Taylor**

Mission and ministry have both been affected by the Covid-19 pandemic. Rhona (a former GP, medical educator and tutor of pastoral care) and Simon will look at how we offer mission and ministry in a context of loss, suffering and lament. In conversation they will explore the nature and theology of trauma, the book of Esther and what it means to be involved in mission and ministry ‘for such a time as this.’

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## Building a culture of generosity

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2022

Led by the Revd Trevor Marshall,  
National Giving Ministry Advisor and  
the Revd Canon Raymond Adams

Two workshops will support all in church leadership (lay or ordained) to consider their role in encouraging a generous culture, and will launch a brand new 'training hub' online resource for church leaders.

10-12am, St John's Haydon Wick, Swindon  
Register to attend [via Eventbrite](#)

3-5pm, St Edyth's, Bristol  
[Register to attend via Eventbrite](#)

Open to all



## Confidence in Cross Cultural Conversations

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2022  
1pm-4pm

Hillside House, 1500 Parkway North,  
Stoke Gifford, BS34 8YU

Led by Rosemarie Davidson-Gotobed,  
National Minority Ethnic Vocations  
Officer

We will be exploring different ways of doing what is already done well, better using the lenses of our own cross-cultural experiences.

Open to all  
Register to attend [via Eventbrite](#)

The Confidence in Cross-Cultural Conversations (CCCC) sessions are interactive and experiential and assumes that the participants have already attended UBT or an equivalent. The purpose is to put that learning into practice from the position of vocational conversations.

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## **Thriving in Ministry - A Self Care Tool-Kit**

**Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> June 2022  
9.30am-1pm**

**Holy Trinity Church, Broad Croft,  
Bradley Stoke, Bristol BS32 0BD**

**Led by Lorna Tredget**

Some practical and helpful ways of caring for yourself in ministry, offered by a counsellor and facilitator with experience of working with ministers.


Open to all Clergy.

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## **Financial Planning during your ministry and beyond**

**Tuesday, 28th June, 2022  
9.45am - 4pm**

**Led by Richard Wood, Head of  
Ecclesiastical Financial Advisory  
Services**

The aim of this seminar is to help clergy (and their partners) at all stages of their ministry, demystify financial matters, and to help you plan for your financial future no matter how far you may be from retirement.

This useful seminar will be led by independent financial advisers from Ecclesiastical Financial Advisory Services and we will also be hearing from subject experts from The Church of England Pensions Board, clergy pension and housing teams.

The speakers will address personal financial planning issues and questions that in their experience face most clergy during their ministry and will encourage you to think ahead about planning for your financial futures.

Key themes for the day:

- General financial planning hints and tips including budgeting
- The importance of planning ahead and saving for the future
- What to expect from the clergy pension scheme and possible options for saving more and options for any non-church pension schemes you might have?
- Saving & investing hints and tips including tax efficiency, investment risks, and ethical investment options
- The impact of living in employer provided accommodation on buying property (or re-mortgaging) during your ministry
- Retirement housing support available from the church
- Protecting your family and income
- Answering your financial questions (questions are encouraged!)

One to One Consultations - After lunch, should you wish, you have the option for a twenty minute one to one session regarding financial advice and planning, the clergy pension or clergy retirement housing. Please indicate your interest when responding.

Lunch will be provided.


Open to clergy and their partners

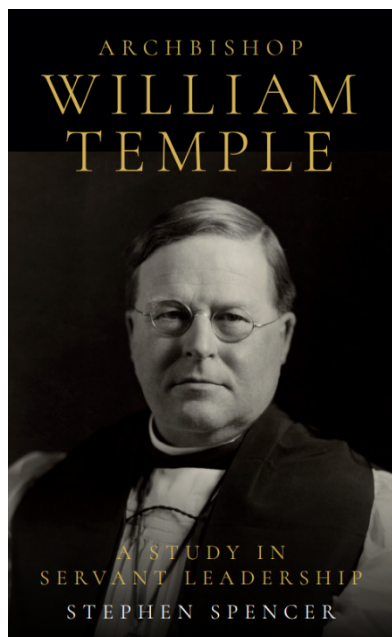
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## **The Servant Leadership of William Temple**

**11<sup>th</sup> July, 2022**

**1pm-4pm**

**Led by Stephen Spencer**

**Hillside House, 1500 Parkway North,  
Stoke Gifford, BS34 8YU**

William Temple, Archbishop of Canterbury during the Second World War, is reckoned to have made a greater impact on British society than any others holding that position in the twentieth century. This talk will explore the nature of the leadership that he provided, looking at the collaborative character of his servant leadership, and will ask what lessons can be learnt for all those offering Christian leadership in church and society today.

Open to all

Register to attend [via Eventbrite](#)



## **Sustaining Church: Reimagining Communities of Faith in Climate Crisis**

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July**

Free Online Conference run by Hazelnut Community Farm and A Rocha

This is a superb conference being run by a Fresh Expression of Church in the Diocese. Speakers include Shane Claibourne, Andy Lester, Shilpita Matthews and John White

This conference will bring together workshops, seminars and papers exploring the issues the Church will face as a result of climate emergency.

Open to all.

Information and Booking: <https://hazelnutcommunityfarm.com/sustaining-church>

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## SAVE THE DATE


Some future dates for your diaries:

11 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup> October, 2022	Clergy Conference, The Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick, Derbyshire.
5 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	Preaching on the Old Testament with Paul Burden
6 <sup>th</sup> December, 2022	Bishop's Advent Quiet Day for Clergy.

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## Mental Health First Aid

**Led by** Rebecca Cross,  
Alice Kemp, and  
Helen Styles

**See dates and times below**

**Cost: £30 (to cover the manual and other materials).**

Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) teaches people how to identify, understand and help someone who may be experiencing a mental health issue.

MHFA won't teach you to be a therapist, but it will teach you to listen, reassure and respond, even in a crisis – and even potentially stop a crisis from happening. On completing the course, you will receive a nationally recognised qualification as a Mental Health First Aider.

On the course you will:

- Learn how to recognise warning signs of mental ill health, and develop the skills and confidence to approach and support someone while keeping yourself safe.
- Learn how to empower someone to access the support they might need for recovery or successful management of symptoms. This could include self-help books or websites, accessing therapy services through their GP, their school or place of work, online self-referral, support groups, and more.
- Gain an understanding of how to support positive wellbeing and tackle stigma.

You will need to pay for your own course manual which costs £30. Your parish may cover this for you. The diocese will provide the course to you free of charge (the usual cost is £300). If this cost is preventing you attending, please be in touch.

### **Face to face at Hillside House (Saturdays)**

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June 9am -4.30pm Parts 1 & 2

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 9am - 4.30pm Parts 3 & 4

**Applications open until 31<sup>st</sup> May!**

### **Future courses planned**

Oct 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Face to face at Pattern Church

Nov 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> On line 9.15-12.30

**Applicants need to be able to attend all sessions of the course.**

**There is also individual learning between the sessions.**

Open to all.

This course is aimed at church leaders, lay and ordained, and in particular those engaged in pastoral care and those overseeing that care.

If you would like to attend one of these courses, to register interest for future courses, or for more information, please contact: [Mentalhealthfirstaid@bristoldiocese.org](mailto:Mentalhealthfirstaid@bristoldiocese.org)

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## Zoom Reading Group

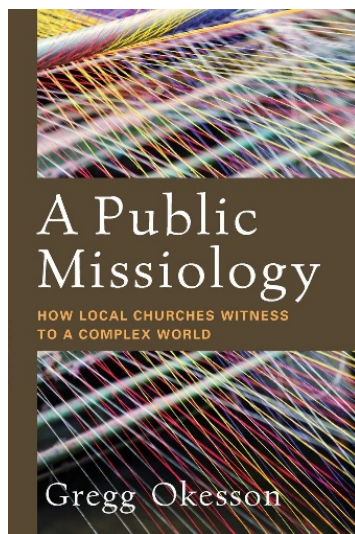
Roughly every other month, a group of clergy and LLMs read a book together and gather to discuss it on Zoom. Come to them all, or simply to those that particularly interest you. Reading the book is helpful, but you don't need to have finished it to attend the group.

- “To be able to keep sharp and accountable to others in a reading group is certainly just what I need” – Clergy person
- “I really enjoy the reading group” - LLM

Books can often be bought from the publishers, or from any bookshop. Three online booksellers worth checking are:

- Aslan Books <https://www.aslanchristianbooks.com/>
- Bookshop <https://uk.bookshop.org/>
- Eden <https://www.eden.co.uk/>

### Books for Summer 2022



**Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> May**  
**12 noon - 1.30pm**

**Gregg Okesson, *A Public Missiology: How Local Churches Witness to a Complex World***  
**(Baker Academic, 2020)**

How can Christians witness to the complexity of our world? Gregg Okesson sees congregations as the primary means of public witness in and for the world. As Christians move between churches, neighbourhood, work and other public spaces, they weave a thick gospel witness. This book explores how local congregations can ‘thicken’ their witness in the public spaces in which they live, work, and play.

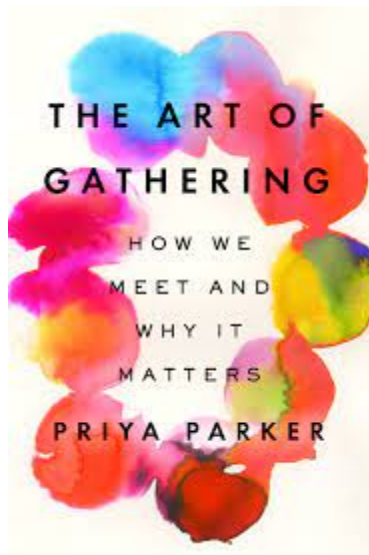
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**Thursday, 7th July 2022  
12 noon - 1.30pm**

**Priya Parker, The Art of Gathering: How we Meet and Why it Matters (Penguin, 2019).**

We spend our lives gathering - first in classrooms and then in meetings, weddings, conferences and away days. Yet so many of us spend this time in underwhelming moments that fail to engage us, inspire us, or connect us. We've all sat in meetings where people talk past each other or go through the motions and others which galvanise a team and remind everyone why they first took the job. We've been to weddings that were deeply moving and others that were run-of-the-mill and simply faded away. In *The Art of Gathering*, through analysis of all sorts of meetings imaginable, Priya Parker gets to the heart how to design a truly transformative gathering. An expert on organizing successful gatherings whether in conference centres, crisis zones or her living room, Parker shows us how to create moving, magical, mind-changing experiences - even in spaces where we've come to expect little.

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## Praying for Uganda

You would be very welcome to join a fortnightly prayer meeting for the Uganda Link. This includes friends from the Church of Uganda

Meetings will be at 5.30 pm on alternative Thursdays.

May 5<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, July 14<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, August 11<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, September 8<sup>th</sup>.

No need to book. Simply use this Zoom link (which will be the same each time):

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2179060100>

Meeting ID: 217 906 0100



LIVING  
IN LOVE  
& FAITH

## Prayer for Living in Love and Faith

You would also be welcome at a weekly prayer meeting for LLF.

This meets every Wednesday at 12.30pm for half an hour.

Again, no need to book. Simply use this Zoom link (which will be the same each time):

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/9422684291>

Meeting ID: 942 268 4291

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