Upminster Methodist Church

19th October 2025

Sunday 19th October

10am Mrs Regina Coleman and Junior Church

Sunday 26th October

10am Mrs Penny Masters

10am Zoom Link



Church Flowers

This week's flowers have been donated by Marilyn and Andrew Milne



Extraodinary Circuit Meeting - All Welcome Thursday 13 November 7.30pm Hornchurch Methodist Church

Some weeks ago, two people from the Connexional Property team visited all churches in the Circuit to consider how the buildings in the circuit align with our mission. This considered property and helped to identify opportunities for growth and use of resources available.

A meeting for anyone interested in discussing the review regarding the suggestions for our church premises (for worship and the community) are most welcome to attend. The review is attached to the newsletter email.

The car park at Hornchurch MC is very small and we are asking that those with accessibility issues park there, anyone intending to do this should let Peter Hobbs know. Most people should be able to park in the surrounding streets.

This week let us pray for:

- Peace and fairness in the world following One World week
- Lasting peace and reconciliation in Gaza
- Meaningful discussions to seek peace between Ukraine and Russia

Quiz Night Thank You!

Peter Hobbs would like to thank everyone who supported the Quiz Night which raised £620 towards the Christmas Tree Festival.

Thanks especially to those who attended, helped set up and with refreshments or donated raffle prizes.

Thanks must also go to Peter who was an excellent quiz master and took the time to put the quiz together.

Christmas Tree Festival - Dates to put in your diaries. Please help and support wherever you are able to!

Saturday 8 November 10-12noon Charity Christmas Card Sale

Posters are available at the back of the church to be up around town please.

Saturday 15 November 7pm Murder Mystery Evening

Raising funds to put the tree festival on, please book your tickets now.

Wednesday 26 November 6.30pm

Putting up the Christmas trees in the Church, help is needed to do this please.

Thursday and Friday 27th& 28th November

Opening up the church and being available to welcome and help oversee those coming to decorate the trees, at various times in the morning, afternoon and early evening

Saturday 29th November Christmas Market 10am - 3pm

Help will be welcome, setting up, helping stall holders find their tables etc and during the day with selling raffle tickets and possible other jobs!

Please continue to collect and donate chocolate for the tombola.

Christmas Tree Festival Saturday 29th November - Sunday 14 December

The poster colouring competition is now open, please take a poster from the back of the church, colour and either place in your own front window or return to the church for display. The winning children's coloured poster will be printed and then will be displayed around town.

Stewards will be needed to welcome visitors on Saturdays 10am - 4pm, Sundays 12 noon - 4pm and weekdays (1st - 5th) 2pm - 6pm and during other week days when schools will be visiting.

Please speak to Anne or Caroline if you are able to help with any of the above or email

Upminstertreefest@gmail.com

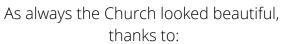






Harvest Festival Thank you

Thank you to everyone who supported our Harvest festival last Sunday.



Chris H and her team of flower arrangers.
The organisations who decorated the windows.

Everyone who donated food and other supplies for the Whitechapel Misssion and Saint Francis Hospice.

Those who helped pack up the food and take it to the Hospice or helped fill the trailer.



















The Wesley Players present "Aisle 10 for Murder."

A murder has occurred in your local DIY store. Can your table of sleuths identify "who done it?"

Saturday 15th November.

Doors open 6.45pm for a 7.00pm start.

Raising funds for the 2025 Christmas Tree Festival.

Tickets are £10 (£5 for children 16 or under) and can be purchased from Nancy Holland on 07508055532 or familyholland24@hotmail.com.

Please bring your £1 coins (one coin per person) if you would like to participate in the Heads and Tails game, with a cash prize for the winner.

The Murder Mystery is probably not suitable for children under 10.
Suggested table size of 8 people, if you have less than 8 in your team, we will find others to join you.

Please bring your own food, non-alcoholic drinks and glasses.

Happy sleuthing!





Link to Hope Shoe Boxes

are in need of sweets and chocolates with a best before date of at least June 2026 Please put your donations into the box under the table in the welcome area.

Thank you for your gifts, so far.

We also need empty shoe boxes so that we can exceed the 24 boxes we sent last year.

Contactless Card Machine

We have a card machine set up at the back of the Church. This allows you to donate to Church funds without having to use cash.

All you need to do is select your amount, tap your card and you can Gift Aid your donation too!

The URL for the Dona website to make gifts to UMC is: https://donate.mydona.com/upminster-methodist-church

The QR code to do the same is:



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To submit event details or news for the weekly newsletter, please send the information to upminster.newsletter@gmail.com by Friday morning. Thank you.

ROMFORD CIRCUIT SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE



SATURDAY 1ST NOVEMBER AT CMOP CLOCKHOUSE LANE, COLLIER ROW, RM5 3QP

You are invited to come for a light lunch at 1pm followed by a reflective service at 2pm.

During the service the congregation will light candles in memory of those who have died during the last year and to remember loved ones.

Please submit details of those who you would like remembered to
Peter Hobbs at romfordcircuit.adm@gmail.com

All are welcome.



Becoming a member of the Methodist Church

Are you interested in exploringwhat being a member of the Methodist Church means and, possibly, becoming one?

If so, the Romford CircuitStaffTeam are organising Membership classesinNovember 2025.

There will be one inperson' class on

Saturday 15th November (venuetobeconfirmed) with registration at 9.30am for a 10am startandshould finish by 4pm.

Alternatively, there will classesonZoom which will consist of four sessions from 7.30pm to 9pm starting on Tuesday 4th Novemberand ending on 25th November.

If you are interested in attendingthe 'in person' or 'Zoom' classes, please register providing the following details:

Name/church/dateof birth to

Peter our circuitadministrator at

romfordcircuit.adm@gmail.com