# La Côte Anglican Church Weekly Bulletin

# Reflection for week of 27 January to 3 February from Helen Harding

This week has included the end of the week of prayer for Christian unity (18 – 25 January). Representatives from different Christian communities in Indonesia prepared the materials for the week of prayer, including a reflection and prayer for each day on the theme of "Justice, and only justice shall you pursue…" (See Deuteronomy 16:18-20)

One of the reflections touches on the gospel theme for Sunday (*Luke 4:18 – 19*) and reminds us, along with the second reading (*1 Corinthians 12:12-31a*), that in order to fully be the body of Christ it is necessary for our worship to overflow into action:

"In the Gospel of Luke, Jesus reminds us that the outward sign of true worship of God is acting justly... In the prophecy of Amos... "let justice roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream", (5:24) the prophet insists on the absolute link between worship and doing deeds of justice. When Christians work together to listen to the cry of the poor and the oppressed, they grow in communion with one another and with the Triune God."

We pray for Christian Unity, as we, the Body of Christ, join in Jesus' mission, working together as his hands and feet on the ground today.

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# SUNDAY 27 JANUARY - Epiphany 4

10:00 Divonne, Service of the Word

16:00 Gingins, Holy Communion (with Sunday Club)

#### SUNDAY 3 FEBRUARY - Candlemas

08:45-09:15 Chapelle de Signy, Said Eucharist

Everyone is welcome both for our worship and then afterwards in the local village café.

16:00 Gingins, All-Age Communion (no Sunday Club)

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NB Rev Carolyn Cooke will be absent from 16 January to 24 February following a routine hip replacement. Church Warden Liz Bramley will act as the contact person during this absence and will refer you on to others as needed - email

Carolyn sends her thanks to many of you for your prayers and kind messages and for all of you who are taking responsibility for the nurture, worship and operational running of La Côte Church. In addition, we warmly welcome Revd Brian Lea and then Revd Maree Wilson stepping in for locum cover during this time.

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Please share this advert with anybody you think might be interested and suitable.

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### **COMING UP**

#### **TUESDAY 29 JANUARY**

### 09:45 for 10:00 start, Founex, Bible Study group

This group is currently studying the Book of Daniel. Please contact Dorothy and Trevor if you are interested in joining. (email)

### **FRIDAY 1 FEBRUARY**

# 17:30-19:00 at the Prieuré next to the Temple in Nyon, Friday Space

A trilingual Bible Study – English, French and Farsi

# **ELSEWHERE**

# 24 & 25 JANUARY: Photography exhibition and Silent auction and 'Coup de Main' support for local refugees

By the students of In Focus, La Côte Photography Group

Thursday 19:00-21:00 Vernissage & apéro

Friday 10:00-16:00 Exhibition Visit

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### **THURSDAY 7 FEBRUARY**

20:00-21:15 La Fraternelle, Nyon, Stand'Up Engagé, Gilles Geiser

In French. Flyer

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### **SATURDAY 16 FEBRUARY**

# 08:30-16:30 Gellertkirche Basel, *A Dynamic Church*, study day with Bishop Graham Tomlin

During the past few years, the Anglican Church in London managed an impressive reversal of the national trend which has seen declining church membership and attendance.

Bishop Graham Tomlin, one of the central personalities in this 'wind of change' in London, will share a hopeful perspective for the development of the church in Europe.

Cost: 50CHF / 25CHF Students and AVS

Registration by 4 Feb: online at <a href="https://www.gellertkirche.ch/studientag">www.gellertkirche.ch/studientag</a>

or by email tis@stadtmission-bis.ch

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# From 19:00 Holy Trinity Church Hall, Geneva, Raclette and Quiz Evening

More information here

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#### **SATURDAY 2 MARCH**

# 10:00-13:00 Holy Trinity Church, Geneva, The Book of Psalms: Presence, Prayer and Praise

Led by Clare Amos. Please contact Holy Trinity Church Office if you would like to attend: <a href="mailto:admin@holytrinitygeneva.org">admin@holytrinitygeneva.org</a>

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### **SATURDAY 9 MARCH**

# 10:00-16:00 All Saints' Church, Vevey, SACEP Day: Migration – An issue affecting us all?

Please register by 4 March. More information <u>here</u>

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# <u>Information and requests</u>

# concerning our work with asylum seekers

**MENTORSHIP opportunity.** Would you like to mentor an asylum seeker or refugee? The only requirement is that you speak English or French, and if possible both languages. Mentoring can be deeply satisfying, a win-win relationship for both mentor and mentee. Just give it a try! For more information (no commitment), contact Andrea Goovaerts (email).

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**ACCOMMODATION**. There is a need to help these people find a welcome and integrate in our local society – even though they are far from home. Please do prayerfully consider if you can help or know someone who can.

Please speak to Diantha Terry with any thoughts you have. (email)

### Do you have jobs that need doing?

If you would like help with odd jobs - for example, gardening, moving furniture, paint work - likewise do get in touch with Diantha Terry (email) who will be able to match you up with one of our refugee friends in the community.

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#### LA COTE ANGLICAN CHURCH IS ON TWITTER!

Please let Peta Tracey know (email) if you would like info about a church event to be 'tweeted' or tweet to @lacoteanglican

Follow us on <a href="https://mobile.twitter.com/lacoteanglican">https://mobile.twitter.com/lacoteanglican</a>

### PARKING OUTSIDE THE TEMPLE IN GINGINS

We have been asked very clearly to park ONLY in the four places to the right of the church as you approach it. This will thus be reserved for those setting up in church and needing to drop off equipment. Please ensure that you park either behind the Auberge de la Poste, in the village itself – or down by the Post Office and playing fields at the entrance to Gingins. We apologise for any inconvenience this will cause you, but we are keen to work with the commune and to continue enjoying good relations with the local people of Gingins.

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