

## MEMORY WORSHIP

We, the ecumenical church of Holy Trinity, South Woodham Ferrers (Roman Catholic, Anglican, Methodist/URC) are starting Memory Worship.

We are seeking to create a space where people with or without dementia can approach God, worship and praise God and feel God's caring presence together.

Worship can be a channel for recalling the past, displaying thankfulness, appreciation, and joy in the little things.

We know that music has an important role in keying memories and will be a familiar constant in Memory Worship.

Underlying all this is the affirmation that we are all held by God who accepts us and meets us where we are today.

"Tell me the old, old story of Jesus and his love."

Using a carefully chosen mixture of familiar words from Scripture, a regular pattern of welcome and singing well loved hymns the short act of worship leads into a time of hospitality (tea and cake) and activity that offers opportunity for mutual support.

## Memory Worship Programme

2pm - 4pm 3rd Monday of the month

### 2018



17th Sept

God gives creation



15th Oct

God gives peace



19th Nov

God gives help



17th Dec

God gives light

### 2019



21st Jan

God gives comfort



18th Feb

God gives belonging



18th Mar

God gives forgiveness



15th April

God is listening



20th May

God is with us



17th June

God is here



15th July

God is surprising



19th Aug

God is our Father

*"At Memory Worship we believe in a God who accepts us and meets us where we are today"*



During refreshment and social time, we hope that workers from Dementia Community Support, Memory Clinics, Alzheimer's Society, and others will join us to provide a free and safe opportunity for carers to share experiences and receive support.

Craft and other activities enable creative skills to be retained and even new ones learned. Memory Worship will be held monthly, on the 3rd Monday afternoon of the month, using a consistent and trained group of volunteers.



## HOW TO FIND US



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### How can you help?

Pray for us: for the venture, the people who come and join us, for their family and friends.  
Volunteer: for either the welcome team, worship team or activity team (see below)

Pass on the message to anyone who might find this service useful or helpful.

### Volunteers

All volunteers must be able to commit to 12 sessions a year supporting memory worship as well as three half day training sessions (on a week day).

**Welcome team** - meet and greet folk as they enter, identify toilets etc. Serve tea and cake, chat and listen.

**Worship team** - support worship leader in passing round hymn sheets etc. help people follow the worship.

**Activity team** - provide graded activities that follow worship theme, assist participants, chat, and listen.



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**Worship for those with  
&  
without Dementia**

