Churches in Reading
including location maps for central Reading
Welcome to Reading

A very warm welcome from the University Chaplains! This leaflet includes the majority of churches within walking distance of the main campus. There are many more further afield. An accompanying leaflet (Places of Worship in Reading) includes details of other faiths. This material was updated in 2017. Please let us know of any alterations.

The University Chaplains

There have been Christian Chaplains supporting students and staff since the start of the University. The Chaplains run social, spiritual and study events throughout the year. We’re also available for conversations, advice and support. Please feel free to contact us or join in our activities. Our details are on the reverse of this leaflet.

The Chaplaincy Centre

The Chaplains run a drop-in centre on the Whiteknights Campus in Park House Lodge, behind the Library. Our library, kitchen, quiet room and common room are open Monday – Friday, 9am – 5pm. Catholic weekday Masses are at 1pm on Tuesdays (term-time only). Anglican weekday Communion services are at 1pm on Thursdays (term-time only). Quaker meetings are at 1pm on Fridays.

Student Faith Groups on Campus

Atheist/Humanist/Secularist, Buddhist, Christian, Hindu, Jewish, Muslim and Sikh student groups are all active on campus. To find a group please see the Chaplaincy website. The Muslim Society also has a building on campus. Archway Lodge is beside Whiteknights House and is open daily for prayer.
Anglican

Christchurch
Relaxed and friendly Anglo-Catholic worship with a mix of modern and traditional music.
Christchurch Rd: 8am, 10am, 6pm
0118 931 3468
christchurch06@btinternet.com
www.christchurchreading.org.uk

Earley St Peter
Warm, welcoming parish church for all ages. Communion every Sunday at 10am.
Church Rd, Earley: 8am, 10am, 6.30pm
0118 966 8575
stpetersearley@btinternet.com
www.earley-stpeter.org.uk

Emmanuel Church
Lively, informal New Wine church.
Southlake Crescent, Woodley: 10.30am
0118 375 3718
office@emmanuelwoodley.org.uk
www.emmanuel-woodley.org

Greyfriars
Large Evangelical Anglican family community. Hospitality and lunches offered.
Friar St: 9.30am, 11.30am, 6.30pm
0118 951 6700
office@greyfriars.org.uk
www.greyfriars.org.uk

Reading Minster
Civic centre church. Choral Eucharist, recitals, and social action.
St. Marys Butts: 11am
0118 957 1057
contact@readingminster.org.uk
www.readingminster.org.uk

St Agnes
Informal and friendly with wide age range. Cell groups and Alpha courses offered.
Northumberland Ave,: 10am, 6pm
0118 987 4448
www.saintapb.org.uk

St Barnabas
A friendly church with traditional feel and Bible-based preaching.
Elm Rd: 8am (2nd & 4th Sun), 9.30am (1st & 3rd Sun)
0118 987 4448
www.saintapb.org.uk

St Bartholomew
Cosy congregation, church also used for theatre.
St. Bartholomew’s Rd/London Rd: 9.15am
0118 931 3740
vicar@lukeandbart.org.uk
www.lukeandbart.org.uk
St Giles


Church St (off Southampton St):
10.30am, 6pm
0118 957 2831
sgiles.vicar@gmail.com
www.sgilesreading.org.uk

St James Southlake

Lively parish on the outskirts of Reading.

Kingfisher Dr, Woodley: 9am, 10.30am
0118 966 2568
office@stjameswoodley.org
www.stjameswoodley.org

St John & St Stephen

Friendly, open, inclusive church grounded in the East Reading Community. Passion for social justice and the arts.

Orts Rd, Newtown: 10.30am, 6.30pm
0118 926 3633
stjohns@readingchurches.org.uk
www.stjohnandstephen.co.uk

St Laurence

An Anglican Parish Church with a particular mission to young people. All ages warmly welcome.

Friar St: 2pm
0118 957 1293
admin@stlreading.org
www.stlreading.org

St Luke

Eucharistic worship, a diverse congregation.
Good choir and music group on 2nd Sunday.

Erleigh Rd: 10.30am Sunday
0118 931 3740
vicar@lukeandbart.org.uk
www.lukeandbart.org.uk

St Luke Indian Fellowship

Worship in Punjabi, Urdu and Hindi.

St Luke, Erleigh Rd: 3pm
0118 966 7850
rev_r_christopher@yahoo.com
www.lukeandbart.org.uk

St Mary

Evangelical, Reformed church using 1662 services and KJV Bible.

Castle St: 11am, 6.30pm
0118 959 5131
edward@cofec.org
www.cofec.org/locations/st-marys-reading

St Nicolas

Lively and growing. Open and diverse.
Eucharist at the heart of our worship.

Sutcliffe Ave, Earley: 8am, 10am (12pm, 1st Sun)
0118 966 9080
info@stnicolas.org.uk
www.stnicolas.org.uk

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info@stnicolas.org.uk
www.stnicolas.org.uk
Trinity Church
Joint Anglican, Methodist and URC. Modern and flourishing, all-age, informal, beside Asda.
Chalfont Close, Earley: 8am, 10am
0118 931 3124
jon.salmon@trinityyearley.org.uk
www.trinityyearley.co.uk

Society of Friends (Quaker)

Friends’ Meeting House
Traditional Quaker meeting for largely silent worship and meditation.
Friends’ Meeting House, 2 Church St: 10.30am
0118 950 7736
info@readingquakers.org.uk
www.midthamesquakers.org.uk/local-meetings/reading

Baptist

Abbey Baptist
Town centre church. Welcoming fellowship. Traditional worship style.
Abbey Square (by central Library): 10.30am, 6.30pm
0118 957 2197
mail@abbeybaptistchurch.org.uk
www.abbeybaptistchurch.org.uk

Anderson Baptist
Diverse, caring, community church. All-age worship in English and Nepali.
Amherst Rd: 10.30am
0118 376 1079
help@andersonbaptistchurch.org.uk
www.andersonbaptistchurch.org.uk

Carey Baptist
Bible-based preaching, heartfelt worship.
Carey St: 10.30am, 6.30pm
0118 959 0058
office@careybaptistchurch.org.uk
www.careybaptistchurch.org.uk

Coley Park Baptist
Jesus/Bible centred with mix of old and new styles of worship.
Wensley Rd: 10.30am, 6.30pm
0118 958 9911
info@coleychurch.org.uk
www.coleychurch.org.uk
Lower Earley Baptist  NOT ON MAP
A friendly, family church. Lively worship, small groups and a range of activities.
Maiden Place, Lower Earley: 10am
0118 935 3598
minister@lowerearlybaptistchurch.org.uk
www.lowerearlybaptistchurch.org.uk

Trinity Baptist  NOT ON MAP
Joint Anglican, Methodist and URC. Modern and flourishing, all-age, informal, beside Asda.
Chalfont Close, Earley: 8am, 10am
0118 931 3124
jon.salmon@trinityearley.org.uk
www.trinityearley.co.uk

Tyndale Baptist  39
Multicultural church with a wide age range. Gospel and outreach focused.
2–4 Cressingham Rd: 10.30am
0118 986 7195
admin@tynedalereading.org.uk
www.tynedalereading.org.uk

Wycliffe Baptist  16
Lively, active church with different worship styles at each service.
233 King’s Rd, Cemetery Junction: 9am, 10.30am, 10.45am, 6.00pm
0118 929 9911
office@wycliffe-church.org.uk
www.wycliffe-church.org.uk

Roman Catholic

Catholic University Chaplaincy
Student Mass, often with after-service hospitality.
St William of York, Upper Redlands Rd:
6pm (term time only)
07973569421
d.bray@reading.ac.uk
www.reading.ac.uk/chaplaincy

Christ the King  NOT ON MAP
Beautiful, simple church, lively and loving community, active throughout south Reading.
408 Northumberland Ave: 6.30pm (Sat), 10am (Sun)
0118 931 4469
ctk@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
www.ctkreading.org.uk

Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham  6
St James, Forbury Rd: 9.15am
01491 682835
reading@ordinariate.org.uk
www.reading-ord.blogspot.co.uk
Our Lady of Peace & Blessed Dominic Barberi

A large, varied, broad spectrum Catholic parish community.

338 Wokingham Rd: 9am, 11am, 5pm
0118 966 3711
earley@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
www.olorp.org.uk

Priestly Fraternity of St Peter

Latin Mass in the Tridentine Rite.

St William of York, Upper Redlands Rd: 11am
0118 966 5284
goddard@fssp.org
lms.org.uk/church/st-william-york-reading

Sacred Heart of Jesus (Polish)

Traditional. Large and busy. Strong Polish community.

Watlington St: 6pm (Sat), 9am, 11am, 6pm (Sun)
0118 375 7587
www.parafiawreading.net

St James

A regular place of worship for a large Catholic community from a wide variety of nations.

Forbury Rd: 6pm (Sat), 11am (Sun)
0118 957 4171
stjames@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
www.jameswilliam-reading.org.uk

For details of weekday Masses: www.weekdaymasses.org.uk/en/area/reading/churches

St William of York

Family Mass for a small, friendly community.

Upper Redlands Rd: 9am
0118 957 4171
stjames@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
www.jameswilliam-reading.org.uk

Ukrainian Catholic Church

Traditional Mass in the Byzantine Rite.

St. James, Forbury Rd: 1pm (2nd Sun)
0118 957 4171
stjames@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
www.jameswilliam-reading.org.uk
Orthodox

The Greek Orthodox Church of
the Prophet Elias

St Mark’s Church, Prince of Wales Ave:
11am (1st, 2nd, 3rd and 5th Sun)
07958 255274
president@propheteliasreading.com
www.propheteliasreading.com

Serbian Orthodox Church

St Mark’s Church, Prince of Wales Ave:
11am (4th Sun)
07958 255274
president@propheteliasreading.com
www.propheteliasreading.com

Other Congregations

Africa Christian Fellowship

Praise and worship, Bible Study, prayer meetings, evangelism and other social events.
Wycliffe Baptist, 233 King’s Rd: 3pm
07872 612323
www.acfonline.org.uk/branches/acf-reading

All Nations Christian Centre

Multicultural Elim Pentecostal church.
Berkeley Ave: 10am
0118 950 5661
office@allnationselim.org
www.allnationselim.org

Amazing Grace Chinese Christian Church in Reading

Wesley Methodist Church, Queen’s Rd:
2pm
0118 966 8433
pastor.agcccir@gmail.com
www.facebook.com/agcccir

Argyle Community Church

Vibrant, loving, grace-motivated,
Bible-teaching, passionate about outreach
and the local community.
Argyle Rd: 10.30am, 6pm
0118 996 7031
info@argylecommunitychurch.org.uk
www.argylecommunitychurch.org.uk
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<td>NOT ON MAP</td>
<td>Lively open worship on Sundays and cell group meetings mid-week.</td>
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<td>Brookside Close, Earley: 10.30am</td>
<td>01189 664 474 <a href="mailto:info@brooksidechurch.org.uk">info@brooksidechurch.org.uk</a></td>
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<td>Evangelical Christian Church</td>
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<td>A Bible believing Pentecostal Church.</td>
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<td>252-262 Northumberland Ave: 10am</td>
<td>0773 747 7099 <a href="mailto:ecci.reading@gmail.com">ecci.reading@gmail.com</a></td>
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<td>Christ-centred community with a life of mission, fellowship and service.</td>
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<td>Sanctuary for physical, psychological, emotional and spiritual needs</td>
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<td>384 The Meadway, Tilehurst: 9am, 11am</td>
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<td>Open-minded, welcoming community; traditional German protestant worship.</td>
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<td>St Andrews URC, Craven Rd/London Rd: 4.30pm (3rd Sun)</td>
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<td>Earley Christian Fellowship</td>
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<td>Bible-based, charismatic church.</td>
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<td>10.30am and 7pm (6.30pm in winter)</td>
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Imani Lutheran Church
Swahili-speaking congregation.
St Andrews URC, Craven Rd/London Rd: 2.30pm (1st, 2nd and 4th Sundays)
0795 652 2072
tukalaghe@yahoo.com
www.standrewsurcreading.org.uk

Lifespring Church
Friendly and informal church of all ages and nationalities.
The Pavilion, 143–145 Oxford Rd: 10am
0118 983 9080
admin@lifespringchurch.org.uk
www.lifespringchurch.org.uk

Mountain of Fire and Miracles Ministries: Reading
NOT ON MAP
Full gospel ministry, revival of apostolic signs and Holy Ghost fireworks.
Tilehurst Youth and Community Centre, The Triangle: 10am
0758 884 7352
church@mfmreadingtransformationcentre.org.uk
www.mfmreadingtransformationcentre.org.uk

Mount Zion Church
Part of the Assembly of God fellowship.
171a Wokingham Rd: 11am, 6.30pm
0125 287 2754
pastor@mountzionreading.co.uk
www.mountzionreading.co.uk

Network Vineyard: Reading
Contemporary, Bible centred, charismatic church.
Woodley Hill House, Eastcourt Ave, Earley: 10:30am, and 18:30 on the 2nd Sunday of the month
0118 966 2007
info@networkvineyard.org.uk
www.networkvineyard.org.uk/reading

Potters House Christian Fellowship
Pentecostal church.
Phoenix College, Christchurch Rd: 11am, 6.30pm
0790 089 7555
pottershousereading@hotmail.co.uk
www.pottershouse.co.uk

Plymouth Brethren
Reading Gospel Hall, 40 Redlands Rd: 6am, 5.15pm
0784 845 9592
lukeandjuliet@saphiresouthern.com
www.plymouthbrethrenchristianchurch.org

Reading Chinese Christian Fellowship
Mandarin and Cantonese-speaking.
Wycliffe, 233 King’s Rd: 2.30pm, 5pm
0118 986 9413
committee@rccf.org.uk
www.rccf.org.uk
Reading Deaf Church  NOT ON MAP
Service in sign language.
131-133 Cardiff Rd: 10.30am (1st Sun)
0789 067 1257 (text only)
kendyson@talktalk.net
www.readingdeafcentre.co.uk/deaf-church

Reading Family Church  SEE BELOW
Lively, honouring the Bible, receiving the Spirit. Mission/outreach focused.
Reading Girls School: 9am, 11am
South St. Arts Centre: 6pm
churchoffice@readingfamilychurch.org.uk
www.readingfamilychurch.org.uk

Reading Korean Church  39
Part of the International Presbyterian Church.
Tyndale Baptist, Cressingham Rd: 2pm
0782 897 7816
bedisciple@gmail.com
www.facebook.com/ReadingChurch

Reconciled Assembly of God  12
Pentecostal church, vibrant in worship and in healing and deliverance.
South St Arts Centre, South St: 10am
0788 669 2335
churchrag@gmail.com
www.ragworld.org

The Well  41
Dawlish Rd, Whitley: 10.30am
0118 975 5822
life@thewell-church.com
www.thewell-church.com

Whiteknights Church  29
Friendly family church near UoR. Long standing involvement with international students.
St Joseph’s College, Upper Redlands Rd: 10.30am
0118 969 8326
info@whiteknightschurch.org
www.whiteknightschurch.org
**Methodist**

**Trinity Church**  NOT ON MAP
*Joint Anglican, Methodist and URC. Modern and flourishing, all-age, informal, beside Asda.*
Chalfont Close, Earley: 8am, 10am
0118 931 3124
jon.salmon@trinityearley.org.uk
www.trinityearley.co.uk

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**Salvation Army**

**Reading Central**  9
*Loving, vibrant, Spirit-filled church with desire to serve the community.*
Castle Hill roundabout, Anstey Rd: 10am, 6pm
0118 958 3019
richard.welch@salvationarmy.org.uk
www.salvationarmy.org.uk/reading-central

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**Lower Earley**  45
*Small and lively congregation with a feel-good factor.*
Chalfont Close, Lower Earley: 10.45am
0118 931 0760
susan.betts@salvationarmy.org.uk
www.salvationarmy.org.uk/reading-lower-earley

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**Wesley Church**  13
*A friendly church with worship and fellowship at its centre.*
Queen’s Rd: 10.30am, 6.30pm,
0118 958 1505
ministry@welseychurchreading.org
www.wesleychurchreading.org

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**Whitley Church**  38
*Traditional, warm and welcoming.*
163 Northcourt Ave: 10.30am
0118 958 1505
revdavid.shaw@btinternet.com
www.basingstokereadingmethodists.uk/churches/whitley
Seventh Day Adventists

Reading Anganza 37
Swahili speaking
Hexham Community Hall, 1a Bamburgh Close: 9.15, 11am (Sat)
01344 649 635
skngui@hotmail.com
www.readingangaza.adventistchurch.org.uk

Reading Central 7
2 Tilehurst Rd: 9.45, 11.15am (Sat)
0118 967 6121
admin@rsda.info
www.readingcentralsda.com

Reading Ghana 42
South Reading Community Centre, Northumberland Ave: 9.30am, 11.15am (Sat)
0782 871 8484
ekyeboah@ymail.com
www.reading-ghanasda.com

Reading Parkside Church Plant 24
Park URC, Palmer Park Ave: Saturday 10am
0776 830 4026
www.adventist.org.uk/who-we-are/church-finder

United Reformed (Presbyterian/Congregational)

Park Church 24
A diverse church with family-oriented worship in the mornings, Messy church once a month and student-oriented evening worship.
Palmer Park Ave: 10.30am, 7pm.
Messy Church 3pm (1st Sun)
0118 926 5003
minister@parkurc.org.uk
www.parkurc.org.uk

St Andrew’s 22
A welcoming, family-friendly church with inter-ethnic diversity, rejoicing in our Presbyterian, Congregational and Churches of Christ traditions.
Craven Rd/ London Rd (by Royal Berkshire Hospital): 11am
0118 941 5097
robert@urcreading.org.uk
www.standrewsurcreading.org.uk

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jon.salmon@trinityearley.org.uk
www.trinityearley.co.uk
Looking for a church in Reading?

Here’s a list of some of the churches in central Reading. Churches are ordered according to their denomination and can be found on the numbered map or through the web addresses provided.

Contact Us

Chaplaincy Centre
0118 378 8797
chaplaincy@reading.ac.uk
www.reading.ac.uk/chaplaincy

Mark Laynesmith
Anglican Chaplain
0796 313 4623
m.d.laynesmith@reading.ac.uk

Sam Owoo
Baptist Chaplain
07960 185 437
sowondukwe@yahoo.co.uk

Catholic Chaplaincy
29 Upper Redlands Road
0118 926 8869
www.reading.ac.uk/chaplaincy/catholic

Fr. Stan Gibzinski
Catholic Chaplain
0118 966 371
fatherstan@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Dorinda Bray
Catholic Lay Chaplain
0797 356 9421
dorindabray@yahoo.co.uk

Rocky Wong
Chinese Chaplain
0754 711 3991
rockyyk@gmail.com

Edmund Burke
Quaker Chaplain
0118 987 3976
edmund.burke@which.net