

Welcome to Reading

A very warm welcome from the University Chaplains! This leaflet includes the majority of churches recognised by Churches Together in Great Britain 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 and non-Trinitarian churches.

This material was updated in 2023 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. The Muslim Society also has a building on campus. Archway Lodge is beside Whiteknights House and is open daily for prayer.

Student Faith Groups

Current faith groups include: Atheist/ Humanist/Secularist, Buddhist, Christian, Hindu, Jewish, Muslim and Sikh. To find a group please see the Chaplaincy website.

Anglican

Christchurch

Relaxed and friendly Anglo-Catholic worship with a mix of modern and traditional music.

Christchurch Rd: 8am, 10am, 6pm

0118 931 3468 christchurchreading06@gmail.com www.christchurchreading.org.uk

Earley St Peter's

Warm, welcoming parish church for all ages. Communion every Sunday at 10am.

Church Rd, Earley: 8am, 10am, 6.30pm

0118 966 8575 admin@earleystpeters.org.uk www.earleystpeters.org.uk

Emmanuel Church

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Lively, informal New Wine church.

Southlake Crescent, Woodley: 10.30am

0118 375 3718 office@emmanuelwoodley.org.uk www.emmanuelwoodley.org.uk

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

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0118 957 1057 contact@readingminster.org.uk www.readingminster.org.uk

Reading Gateway Church

Formerly St Agnes with St Paul and St Barnabas. Informal and friendly with wide age range. Cell groups and Alpha courses offered.

Northumberland Ave: 10:45am, Elm Road: 9am

0118 987 4448 parishoffice@readinggateway.church www.readinggateway.church

St Giles

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Traditional Anglo-Catholic worship. 'Forward in Faith' parish. Beautiful medieval church.

Church St (off Southampton St): 10.30am, 6pm

0118 957 2831 sgiles.vicar@gmail.com www.sgilesreading.org.uk

St James Southlake

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Lively parish on the outskirts of Reading.

Kingfisher Dr, Woodley: 10am

0118 966 2568 office@stjameswoodley.org www.stjameswoodley.org

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St John & St Stephen's

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

Orts Rd, Newtown: 10.30am

0118 926 3633 office@stjohnandststephen.org.uk www.stjohnandststephen.org.uk

St Laurence

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

Friar St: 2pm

0118 957 1293 www.stlreading.org

Redlands Parish Church

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

Erleigh Rd: 10.30am

0118 966 6389 office@redlandsparish.org.uk www.redlandsparish.org.uk

St Mary's

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Evangelical, Reformed church using 1662 services and KJV Bible.

Castle St: 11am, 6.30pm

0118 959 5131 mrc195@aol.com www.stmaryscastlestreet.org.uk

St Nicolas

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

Sutcliffe Ave, Earley: 8am, 10am

0118 966 9080 office@stnicolas.org.uk www.stnicolas.org.uk

Trinity Church

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Joint Anglican, Methodist and URC. Modern and flourishing, all-age, informal, beside Asda.

Chalfont Close, Earley: 9.30am, 11am, 2.30pm (Cantonese-speaking)

0118 931 3124 ops.support@trinityearley.org.uk www.trinityearley.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 www.midthamesquakers.org.uk/ reading-quakers

Baptist

Abbey Baptist

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Town centre church. Welcoming fellowship. Traditional worship style.

Abbey Square (by central Library): 10.30am

0118 957 2197 mail@abbeybaptistchurch.org.uk www.abbeybaptistchurch.org.uk

Anderson Baptist

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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

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Bible-based preaching, heartfelt worship.

Carey St: 10.30am, 6pm

0118 959 0058 office@careybaptistchurch.org.uk www.careybaptistchurch.org.uk

Coley Park Baptist

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Jesus/Bible centred with mix of old and new styles of worship.

Wensley Rd: 10.30am

0118 958 9911 info@coleychurch.org.uk www.coleychurch.org.uk

Lower Earley Baptist

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A friendly, family church. Lively worship, small groups and a range of activities.

Maiden Place, Lower Earley: 10am

0118 935 3598

minister@lowerearleybaptistchurch.org.uk www.lowerearleybaptistchurch.org.uk

Tyndale Baptist

Multicultural church with a wide age range. Gospel and outreach focused.

2-4 Cressingham Rd: 10.30am

0118 986 7195

www.tyndalebaptistchurch.org.uk

Wycliffe Baptist

Lively, active church with different worship styles at each service.

233 King's Rd, Cemetery Junction: 9am, 10.45am, 6pm

0118 929 9911 www.wycliffe.church

Roman Catholic

Christ the King

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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

Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham

St James, Forbury Rd: 9.15am

01491 682835

reading@ordinariate.org.uk www.ordinariate.uk/groups/reading.php

Our Lady of Peace & Blessed Dominic Barberi

A large, varied, broad spectrum Catholic parish community.

338 Wokingham Rd: 8.30am, 11am, 5pm term time

0118 966 3711 office@olop.org.uk www.olop.org.uk

Priestly Fraternity of St Peter 30

Latin Mass in the Tridentine Rite.

St William of York, Upper Redlands Rd: 11am

www.fssp.org.uk/reading/

Sacred Heart of Jesus (Polish) 14

Traditional. Large and busy. Strong Polish community.

Watlington St: 6pm (Sat), 9am, 11am, 6pm (Sun)

0118 375 7587 reading@pcmew.org 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 office@stjw.co.uk www.jameswilliam-reading.org.uk

St William of York

Family Mass for a small, friendly community.

Upper Redlands Rd: 9am

0118 957 4171 office@stjw.co.uk www.jameswilliam-reading.org.uk

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



Orthodox

The Greek Orthodox Church of the Prophet Elias NOT ON MAP

94 Cranbury Road: 10.30am

07731 008087 president@propheteliasreading.com www.propheteliasreading.com

St Stylianos and St Catherine Orthodox Christian Parish

Church of the Holy Trinity, Oxford Road: 11am

07799 557651 reading@mitropolia.eu www.reading-orthodox.uk

Other Congregations

Africa Christian Fellowship

Praise and worship, Bible Study, prayer meetings, evangelism and other social events.

Wycliffe Baptist, 233 King's Rd: 3pm

07427 621532

secretary@acfonline.org.uk www.acfonline.org.uk

All4Christ International **Ministry**

All Saints Church Hall, Brownlow Rd: 10.30am

07715 458407 allen.bossman@hotmail.co.uk

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Multicultural Elim Pentecostal church.

Berkeley Ave: 10am

0118 950 5661 office@allnationselim.org www.allnationselim.org

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Wesley Methodist Church, Queen's Rd: 2pm

0118 966 8433 pastor.agcccir@gmail.com www.agccir.co.uk

Argyle Community Church

Vibrant, loving, grace-motivated, Bible-teaching, passionate about outreach and the local community.

Argyle Rd: 10.30am

0118 901 0503

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hello@argylecommunity.church www.argylecommunity.church

Brookside Church

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Lively open worship on Sundays and cell group meetings mid-week.

Brookside Close, Earley: 10.30am

0118 966 4474

info@brooksidechurch.org.uk www.brooksidechurch.org.uk

The Church of Pentecost - UK

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Bringing the world to the saving knowledge of Iesus Christ

Living Spring Tabernacle, 117-119 Oxford Rd: 10.30am, 2pm

07846 656999 obedasare823@gmail.com www.copuk.org/reading-assembly-piwc

The Deliverance Centre

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A place for all people and all nationalities. Changing lives, creating destinies.

The Globe, Portman Rd: 10am

0118 950 8534 admin@thedeliverancecentre.org.uk www.thedeliverancecentre.org.uk

Earley Christian Fellowship

Bible-based, charismatic church.

Wokingham Road: 10.30am and 7pm (6.30pm in winter)

07941 547386 ecfreading@gmail.com www.ecfreading.org

Hillsong Church

Reading Rep Theatre, King's Rd: 9.30am, 11.30am

james.mowle@hillsong.co.uk www.hillsong.com/uk/reading

Lifespring Church

Friendly and informal church of all ages and nationalities.

The Pavilion, 143-145 Oxford Rd: 10.30am

0118 983 9080 hello@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.

Mfm Reading Transformation Centre, 31 Kingsgate Street: 10.30am

07588 847352

mfmreading2@mountainoffire.org.uk www.mountainoffire.org.uk

Mount Zion Church

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Part of the Assembly of God fellowship.

171a Wokingham Rd: 11am, 6.30pm

0125 287 2754

info@mountzionreading.co.uk www.mountzionreading.co.uk

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Network Vineyard: Reading

Contemporary, Bible centred, charismatic church.

Woodley Hill House, Eastcourt Ave, Earley: 10:30am

0118 966 2007 info@networkvineyard.org.uk www.networkvineyard.church

Potters House Christian Fellowship

Pentecostal church.

Tyndale Baptist Church, Cressingham Rd: 2pm

07494 775620 phreadingmovement@gmail.com www.phreading.com

Reading Chinese Christian Church

Mandarin and Cantonese-speaking.

Wycliffe, 233 King's Rd: 2.30pm 07746 790740

Committee@ReadingCCC.org.uk www.rccf.org.uk

Reading Deaf Church NOT ON MAP

Service in sign language.

131-133 Cardiff Rd: 10.30am (1st Sun)

07890 671257 (text only) kendyson@talktalk.net www.readingdeafcentre.co.uk/deafchurch

Reading Family Church NOT ON MAP

Lively, honouring the Bible, receiving the Spirit. Mission/outreach focused.

John Madejski Academy: 9am, 11.30am 0118 987 6278

churchoffice@readingfamilychurch.org.uk www.readingfamilychurch.org.uk

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Reading Korean Church

Part of the International Presbyterian Church.

Tyndale Baptist, Cressingham Rd: 2pm

readingkchurch@gmail.com www.facebook.com/ReadingChurch

Reconciled Assembly of God 12

Pentecostal church, vibrant in worship and in healing and deliverance.

Wensley Road, Coley Park: 10am

07886 692335 admin@theragworld.co.uk www.theragworld.co.uk

Stoneway

Reading Town Hall: 10.30am

info@stonewaychurch.co.uk www.stonewaychurch.co.uk

The Well

Dawlish Rd, Whitley: 10.30am

0118 975 5822 life@thewell-church.com www.thewell-church.com

Whiteknights Church

Friendly family church near UoR. Long standing involvement with international students.

St Joseph's College, Upper Redlands Rd: 10.30am

0118 969 8326 antonycowling@gmail.com www.whiteknightschurch.readinguk.org

Methodist

Trinity Church

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Joint Anglican, Methodist and URC. Modern and flourishing, all-age, informal, beside Asda.

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Wesley Church

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A friendly church with worship and fellowship at its centre.

Queen's Rd: 10.30am, 6.30pm (twice a month)

0118 958 1505 info@wesleychurchreading.org www.wesleychurchreading.org

Whitley Church

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Traditional, warm and welcoming.

163 Northcourt Ave: 10.30am 0118 958 1505

revdavid.shaw@btinternet.com www.basingstokereadingmethodists.uk/ churches/whitley

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Salvation Army

Reading Central

Loving, vibrant, Spirit-filled church with desire to serve the community.

Castle Hill roundabout, Anstey Rd: 10am

0118 958 3019 adrian.maddern@salvationarmy.org.uk www.salvationarmy.org.uk/readingcentral

Lower Earley

Small and lively congregation with a feel-good factor.

Chalfont Close, Lower Earley: 10.30am

0118 931 0760

lower.earley@salvationarmy.org.uk www.salvationarmy.org.uk/readinglower-earley

Seventh Day Adventists

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Swahili speaking

Hexham Community Hall, 1a Bamburgh Close: 9.15, 11am (Sat)

01344 649 635 angaza.sec@gmail.com www.readingangaza.adventistchurch. org.uk

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2 Tilehurst Rd: 9.45, 11.15am (Sat)

0118 967 6121 admin@readingcentralsda.com www.readingcentralsda.com

Reading Ghana

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10 Cremyll Road: 9.30am (Sat)

0782 871 8484 ekyeboah@ymail.com www.reading-ghanasda.com

Reading Parkside Church Plant

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Park URC, Palmer Park Ave: 11.30am (Sat)

0776 830 4026 info@parksidecommunity.co.uk www.parksidecommunity.co.uk

United Reformed (Presbyterian/Congregational)

Park URC

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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 secretary@parkurc.org.uk www.parkurc.org.uk

St Andrew's

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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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