



# MAGAZINE OF UNITING CHURCH SKETTY SEPTEMBER 2023

The angel of the LORD appeared to Moses in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up. God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!" And Moses said, "Here I am." "Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground." Then he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob." At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God  
*(Exodus 3.1ff, a reading set for September 3rd)*

**Uniting together**  
**Caring for all**  
**Seeking God**



**Minister:** The Revd Louise Gough,

**Senior Elder:** Pat D

**Senior Steward:** Jan C

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## **WELCOME!**

*This is the first 'Letter from the Manse' written by our new minister, the Revd Louise Gough. We welcome her warmly to our church and to her ministry in the Methodist Circuit, the URC Region and Swansea University. We look forward to her ministry among us and pray God's guidance and inspiration on her and all she does in God's name. Her Welcome and Induction Service will be held in UCS on 30<sup>th</sup> August at 7.00pm*

## **FROM THE MANSE**

Hello!

I'm writing to you from the past – because I'm sitting in the study in my Cheadle manse on a chilly evening in July (it rains a lot here too!) during my last week as a minister in the Bramhall and Wythenshawe Circuit (Manchester and Stockport District) – but by the time you read this, I'll be living in Sketty!

If that's hard for you to get your mind around, it's setting off fireworks in mine! It seems ages since I first encountered UCS during my stationing visit back in November, and at the time, Swansea was a happy idea and something to look forward to in the distant future - but the future has recently taken several giant steps towards me!

Time has bolted, and yesterday I had my final service at Trinity Church Cheadle, a Methodist/URC LEP where I've been the minister for ten years. Latterly I have also become the minister at Cheadle Hulme Methodist Church – both extremely good places to be, different, but good! I have thoroughly enjoyed being in the Bramhall and Wythenshawe circuit, and no doubt I will be grieving for all I've left behind for some time.

The thought of everything I still have to do is another reason my mind is fizzing, and it will be a miracle if I am packed and ready when the big truck arrives! I'm also very excited at the prospect of joining the staff of the Swansea and Gower Circuit, and of course, becoming your minister at the Uniting Church Sketty. The cogs are whirring as I try to imagine what that will be like!

You may already be aware that I'm not a stranger to South Wales. I began my ministry in the Cardiff Circuit in the year 2000, and in 2008 moved to

the Newport and Lower Wye Circuit. For reasons I cannot explain, I have always felt deeply at home in Wales, and it was a terrible wrench to leave in 2013 when I moved to Cheadle (a suburb of Stockport that likes to call itself a ‘village’). My church members pulled my leg whenever they visited and saw my love spoons and Welsh flag tea-towel! I seem to be wearing a groove across the UK, as I did my ministerial training in Manchester, and bounce back and forth between NW England and South Wales at stationing time!

I am genuinely thrilled to be moving to Swansea, and I can’t wait to get to know you all and hear *your* stories. I hope you will be patient with me as I try to learn who you all are and get into the rhythm of life in new churches and communities, the University included.

If I risked letting them talk to you, my present church members would tell you that I occasionally need friendly reminders (I never see it as nagging!), that I’m better at night than in the mornings, that my concept of deadlines sometimes differs from that held by other people (sorry), that I am a cat person (and will be moving into the manse with a beautiful grey and white girl called Bluebell, a contented mischief-making housecat), that I don’t drink tea or coffee but love a glass of cold water, and that if you ring during Strictly, your call is likely to be ignored (so if it’s an emergency, ring twice and I’ll realise I have to tear myself away from the latest sparkly celebrity waltz and answer!).

You see (and you will soon find out!), I am not perfect. But I will do my level best to care for you and be faithful to my call.

I’m very much looking forward to being among you, and to all the adventures the new church year will contain. It’s a challenging time to be church, and to be citizens of the world – but we can be sure that God is with us, and that the Spirit will uphold us as we aim to follow Jesus and experience the journeys of discipleship.

Above all, I hope we will discover together the riches expressed in the prayer in Ephesians 3 – that through our relationship with God and with each other, we will have the power to comprehend the breadth and length and height and depth and know that love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that we may be filled with all the fullness of God. This is the love that transforms – and through God’s power at work in us we will be able to accomplish so much more than we can ask or imagine.

I'm so excited that I get to begin this year with you! May God's love fill us, and the compassion of Christ shine from us, as the Spirit works through us.

God's richest blessings

*Louise*

**A Prayer for New Beginnings sent by the Revd Louise**

Jesus, at the beginning of a new church year,  
remind us what following you is all about –  
loving God with all our being;  
loving our neighbour as ourselves;  
dedicating our whole lives to serve you  
and your kingdom causes:  
revolutionary compassion, justice, grace, love – for ALL.  
Forgive us when we settle for a smaller vision,  
when we make church all about us  
and shape it to suit our own needs.  
Turn us inside out  
and help us to give ourselves anew to you,  
that we might know again  
(or perhaps for the first time)  
the exhilaration of your presence in our hearts  
and your call on our lives. Amen.

**A Prayer for Louise**

The LORD bless you and keep you;  
the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you;  
the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace. Amen.

## **WORSHIP SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER** (all at 10.30am)

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September 3<sup>rd</sup>: The Revd Louise Gough (Communion)

September 10<sup>th</sup>: The Revd Louise Gough

September 17<sup>th</sup>: The Revd Simon Walkling (Christ Well URC and Swansea Region Minister)

September 21<sup>st</sup> : The Revd Louise Gough (Thursday Communion)

September 24<sup>th</sup>: The Revd Howard Long (Circuit Superintendent)

### **PLEASE NOTE TWO SPECIAL SERVICES TO WHICH WE ARE ALL WARMLY INVITED:**

**Wednesday, August 30<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm in UCS: Circuit Welcome and Induction Service for the Revd Louise Gough. Preacher, The Revd Dr Jennifer Hurd, Joint Chair of the Wales Cymru Synod**

**Saturday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2.00pm in Christ Well Manselton URC: Induction service for the Revd Simon Walkling. Preacher, The Revd Neil Thorogood.**

## **PASTORAL UPDATE (from Gwen D)**

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- September is a time of new beginnings. As we welcome Rev'd Louise and look forward to continuing our faith journey with her, we give thanks for the combined contribution of the Ministerial Team over the last year, Rev'ds John, Linda and Noel.
- Our congratulations to Eli who has now Graduated; we wish him well in his search for work.
- We send our love and congratulations to Dr. Amy C who starts a new job in Llanelli in September.
- It's good to know that Lynette has now returned home; we send our love and best wishes as she continues her recovery.
- We pray for those who are facing new health challenges, and those who now have to live with chronic health conditions.

*Jan C. has suggested that we might include an occasional article from members who are no longer able to attend worship in person. The following from Joyce J is the first in this occasional series:*



Hello everyone, just to reassure you that I am still alive and well and enjoying your friendship and fellowship, even if you don't see me. Because of this, just a little reminder of my story to date.

I was born in a town on the river Severn in Worcestershire, on 2th April 1930. At the age of three, I started attending Sunday school at the Methodist Church. It was an old church, John Wesley having preached there twice. Brian, my late husband, joined the church in 1936 when he moved to the town from Staffordshire, due to his father's

illness. I was made a member of the church in 1944 and became a Sunday School teacher. I was also in the choir and a member of the youth club and drama group. Brian and I started "dating" in 1952 and we were married in 1955. During a holiday in Horton in 1954 we decided we would like to make our home there. We bought a house in Overton and moved there following our wedding. We joined the little chapel in Port Eynon which was a big change for us after a large church. There were times when we were the only congregation and Brian was playing the organ too! When Port Eynon closed we went to Reynoldston. We didn't have a car at the time and were picked up by Mr Sidney Heath. When our son Neil joined our family, we took him to church with us but he was the only child there. We realised he needed a Sunday school and started considering a move to Swansea. That decision became even more important when second son Mark joined us in 1970. We finally moved to our present house in Sketty in June

1971. Brian had already started bringing Neil to Sketty Methodist before we moved. Mark started in the crèche in 1972 and so I was able to attend services. I started helping in the crèche which moved from the manse to a little side room that is now part of the corridor. I later became a communion steward. I joined the Wesley Club sometime in the '70s and was secretary on a couple of occasions. I remember I was the "outings" secretary in 1987, the year Brian died. I became a Church Steward in 1988 and felt that I was carrying on Brian's work. Sketty has always been like a family to me. The love and support I received when Brian died carried me through. I still receive that support and love. I sometimes grumble at technology but I am eternally grateful that I have it as a means of keeping in touch now that I am unable to come to church. I love to watch the services. I am always glad that I can see Wesley Club and recently the Black Star panto. What a wonderful show that was! My grateful thanks to all those involved in the technology. It is good to know that, through it, I am still a part of UCS.

My love to you all.

Joyce

## SHUKTARA

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*Many of our members, especially those with links with Bethel, have supported Shuktara over the years. We recently received a report and photos from David E about their Founders' Day in July. Here is an extract!*



'On Saturday 1st July, we celebrated 24 years of Shuktara. 1st July 1999 was the day that I said yes to taking Anna and Sunil.

We now have our two homes for boys and girls, young men and women, and a successful little bakery called Shuktara Cakes. Pappu, the chairman of Shuktara in India, has held a long term dream to open a shop to sell the Patisserie and after a very generous donation, Shuktara was able to purchase a small outlet on the main road, around the corner from Anna Bari boys home, where the bakery



is housed on the ground floor.

Pappu went full steam ahead and managed to open the outlet on 1st July to coincide with our Founders Day anniversary. We had friends and locals come to visit and the word is definitely now out about the delicious French Patisserie produced by our very capable and proud Shuktara Cakes team.



Thank you for your support  
David E

**OUR COMMUNION CHARITY FOR SEPTEMBER** is Action for Children.



The aim of Action for Children is for every child to have a safe and happy childhood. They run children's centres and family hubs, children's homes, services for disabled children and young people and for young carers. They are currently running a Blues programme through schools to help teenagers with mental health and emotional resilience, much needed after the pandemic.

Their work also includes campaigning to improve the welfare of children.

**Susan G**

*We send our love and prayers to Susan and Ian and their family on the recent death of Susan's mother. May the God of hope be with you and encourage you in Jesus. ed)*

## A DELIGHTFUL SPONSORED WALK TO SUPPORT RONIA'S VOLUNTEERING IN FIJI NEXT YEAR

Hello everyone! On the 28th of May the YPF went on a sponsored walk to help me raise some money for my volunteer trip to Fiji in 2024. We thought it



might be nice to tell you a little bit about where we walked and how it went. We did the Llanrhidian Higher walk, which actually was mostly in Penclawdd. We followed the red route and then the blue, both of which took us up and down hills,

through fields, woodland, narrow pathways and across several roads and by the end of it we were all truly tired.

The weather, as you may remember, was lovely - but for us perhaps a little too warm; we



needed plenty of water (and an ice cream stop) to keep us going.

The general consensus by the end was that the blue route was more interesting; we walked through a small town (Crofty) and then through



a series of fields where we met cows and sheep and made friends with two very cute horses!

Overall, we really had lots of fun and got all our steps in, so we agreed that the walk was a definite success.

A massive thank you to Maresha, Eli, Gareth, John, Sandra, Jackie and Gary who completed the walk with me and another huge thank you to the congregation who supported us and thought of us and sponsored us. We'll see you soon! *(We're proud of you all - younger and older alike! Congratulations! ed.)*

**Ronia E**

## MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

It's coffee time again! How quickly a year goes by and it's time for my Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday 29th September from 10am till 12 noon. We will have a Bring and Buy stall, cake stall as well as a raffle and plenty of tea and coffee! I look forward to seeing you all to help raise funds for this worthy cause. Thankyou. Rosemary.

## FOLK DANCING

Want to start the week off right? Want to try something new with some gentle exercise, good company and of course, a cuppa! Why not come and give Folk dancing a try on Monday afternoons at 2pm in the church hall. Everyone is welcome. Come and bring a friend! All dances are walked through and called, so suitable for everyone. We look forward to seeing you. Many thanks, Rosemary

**FROM CAROLE H:** GK Chesterton wrote, 'The test of a good religion is how it can laugh at itself.' Peter Read and Kevin John must have thought that as they compiled *Vicar Joe's Religious Joke Book*. Lots of its contents made me giggle and wearing my ex-teacher hat, I especially liked the ones related to children. I thought this might make some, or even all of you, smile:

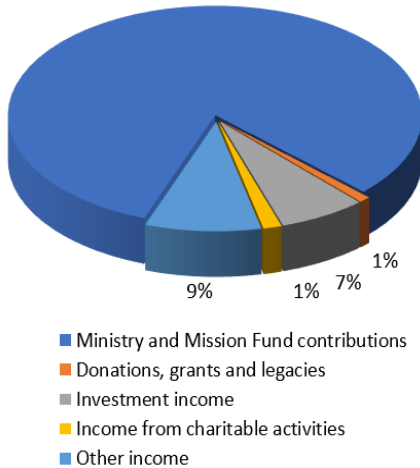
'A mum asked her little boy, "What did the Sunday School teacher tell you today." "She told us how the Children of Israel were running away from the Egyptians and when they came to the Red Sea, Moses built a large bridge so that they could cross the sea but when the Egyptians got on it, the Children of Israel blew it up."

"The Sunday School teacher told you that?"

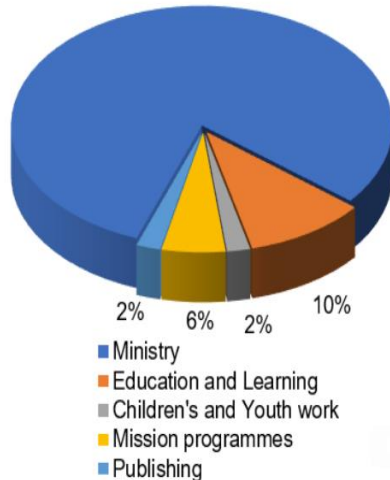
"No, but if I told you what she really told us, you wouldn't believe a word!"

*Our Treasurer, Jon D, has received a financial report from the URC which, it is hoped, churches and members will find helpful. Below are the Income and Expenditure pie-charts that show how the money is raised and distributed among the various aspects of the URC's work. The URC wishes to express its gratitude for members' stewardship of funds during the last financial year.*

**Unrestricted Income - £20.4m**  
**Year ended 31 December 2022**  
 82%



**Unrestricted Expenditure - £20.7m**  
**Year ended 31 December 2022**  
 80%



## **ECO (Earth Crisis Ongoing) NEWS**

Easy Eco Tips from A Rocha (the charity which fronts Eco Church):

September – green your home this autumn. Tackle climate change and reduce your heating bills by testing how drafty or leaky your home is. Find the gaps that let cold air in and warm air out (think keyholes, letter boxes, gaps around the bottom or edges of windows, doors, loft hatches, floorboards etc.) and fix these gaps using the correct materials. There are many tutorials on how to do this online (if you are not online ask one of the Eco Team for advice). Now is also a very good time to prepare for winter, by sticking tin foil or radiator panels between the wall and the radiator, as these will help reflect heat into your rooms during colder months.

Ethical brands now owned by unethical companies –

1. Green and Black (now owned by Coca Cola)
2. Pukka Herbs (teas) (now owned by Unilever)

3. Alpro non dairy milks (now owned by Danone which uses factory farmed animal products)
4. Ecover (washing up liquid etc) (now owned by S E Johnson which uses animal testing on products)
5. Innocent Smoothies (parent company is Coca Cola – the worst company for plastic pollution)

It would be helpful if some of you would consider measuring your personal carbon footprint. I would recommend using <http://footprint.wwf.org.uk> . It doesn't take long to do. Please let me know your results if you measure your footprint. I have measured mine and it is higher than it should be, so I have some work to do to bring it down!

**Janet N**

### **COFFEE AND CHAT**

Our September Coffee and Chat will be on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September from 10am for 10.30 – 11.30am. At this meeting we will be delighted to welcome our new minister Rev Louise Gough, and also Delyth Higgins, the A Rocha Eco Church Officer for Wales.

The meeting will mainly a round up of the topics we have tackled during the past year so that Louise and Delyth are aware of what we have done. It will also be a chance for Delyth to look around UCS, as she has not visited us before.

All are welcome to attend this Eco chat, especially if you haven't joined us before.

**Janet N**

### **WALKING GROUP**

In September we plan to join one of the Gower Walking Festival walks. The Gower Walking Festival runs from Saturday September 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>. Details of registering for these walks has been in the weekly notices. You can visit the Gower Walking Festival website, but the walks you want to join could be booked up by now.

**Janet N**

**WE PRAY...**as we remember Commitment for life's work, through Christian Aid, in Israel/Palestine.

The Beckley Lecture at this year's Methodist Conference was given by Rabbi Nava Hefetz, Educational Director, Rabbis for Human Rights. This group works with Israeli communities to expose them to the reality of the Occupation and examine its repercussions from a Jewish standpoint. Rabbis for Human Rights runs programmes supporting Palestinian farmers in the West Bank, for example, helping them to pick their olive harvest, so that the whole harvest is picked as quickly as possible without the farmers being attacked or arrested. Christian Aid is urging churches to support the Investing for Peace campaign, including gifting an olive tree to be planted, as the symbolic power of hope comes with planting a tree. It demonstrates a steadfastness of people determined to stay on their land. We pray for the work done by Rabbis for Human Rights and especially for peace/shalom/salaam in Israel/Palestine. Amen.

**Janet N**

**Mary J, our Commitment for Life Co-ordinator, also invites our prayers for Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories:**

1. Pray for the work of Christian Aid and its partners as they seek equality and justice for Palestinians and Israelis
2. Pray for an end to violence and the de-escalation of tensions across IOPT
3. Pray for the safety of our partner staff as they work
4. Pray for wisdom and compassion in the hearts of the political and social leaders to see a just peace realised in IOPT.

**FROM JAN C:**

**An Old Chinese Story**

An elderly Chinese woman had two large pots. Each hung at the end of a pole which she carried around her neck, One of the pots had a crack in it. The other was perfect and always held a full portion of water. At the end of a long walk from the stream to her house the cracked pot was only ever half full. For two years the woman collected water daily bringing home only one and a half pots of water. Of course, the perfect pot was very proud of its accomplishments.

The cracked pot was ashamed of its imperfections and miserable that it could only do half of what it was expected to do.

After two years of what it perceived to be failure, it spoke to the woman. "I am ashamed of myself. The crack in my side causes water to leak out all the way back to your house". The woman smiled. "Did you notice there are flowers on your side of the path, but not on the other side? That is because I have always known of your flaw, so I planted seeds on your side of the path and every day, while we walk back, you water them. For two years I have been able to pick beautiful flowers to decorate the table. Without you being just the way you are, there would not be this beauty to grace the house"

Each of us has a unique flaw. It's the cracks and flaws we each have that make our lives together so very interesting and rewarding. We've just got to take every person for what they are and look for the good in them. So, let's all have a great life and remember "the purpose in life is to help others, make use of their flaws, and smell the flowers."

### **Feeling Grateful**

I'm sure you all know that for the past three months our church hall has been the venue for special monthly physiotherapy sessions for young children from Hands up for Down's (HUFd). I simply wanted to say how proud I felt that we were able to offer this facility. The therapist was a delight and the parents (and generally both parents came with each child) so appreciative. Hopefully the small contribution which we were able to make will have a big impact on the lives of these children and their families.

Thank you everyone

Jan C

### **Pause for Thought – Over Chips and Tea**

The glittering and inviting aisle, the gently ringing bell

Herald not the Eucharist, but Sunday shopping tills.

Is this the God I knew when I was young, who tempered childhood days.

Is this the faith my parents loved, and followed with their praise?

But then I saw Him in a young man's eyes as he cared for his family.

Not in a cold unyielding pew but over chips and tea.

So, let's not scorn the nose ring or stud - though we may wince with pain.

The scooter and the skateboarder, all to our Lord obtain.

Let's rise from our knees, look outward and see, not patronise or shout.

But gently smile with Christian love, our neighbour is without.

### **Another First for Les and the Talking Magazine**

In July, Townhill Community School replaced Madcaps in the monthly recording for the Talking Magazine. This was the first time any school has been involved in such a venture and all the children were delighted to, in their words “make history”. In his patient and generous way, Les agreed to come to school to record several items performed by the school choir. Eight children from the School Council then came to our church, where Les recorded them telling the listeners all about their school.



The opportunity which Les gave was not only a unique experience for the children, but it gave them and so many other children at our school, a chance to learn about the service provided for the visually impaired in Swansea and Gower. Even more, as they gave of their time and talents, it helped them learn the

often forgotten message, that giving to a charity does not always have to involve a monetary contribution.

As an extra, the children's smiles in the photo show how they enjoyed seeing around our church building, not to mention the squash and biscuits to say thank you to them! Jan C

#### **DATES OF EVENTS:**

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September: Coffee Morning 10am -12 noon- Proceeds for Save the Children

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September: 7.30pm Swansea and Gower Methodist Circuit Meeting at UCS

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September: 10am-12noon MacMillian Coffee Morning

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October: 10am-12noon Coffee Morning run by Madcaps



## WCC CELEBRATES 75<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY



On 23<sup>rd</sup> August 1948, in the aftermath of World War II, the World Council of Churches, the largest global body of Christian Churches and Denominations, that works closely with the Roman Catholic Church, was formed, at its first Assembly in Amsterdam. It has been a key organisation ever since that time in encouraging churches and Christians around the world to seek unity, to

work together in evangelism and mission, to work and advocate for justice, peace and reconciliation in all corners of the world.

So when the new Central Committee met in Geneva in June this year, it marked the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the formation of the WCC with an act of worship in the San Pierre Reformed Cathedral (where John Calvin ministered in the 16<sup>th</sup> century).



“People came together in Amsterdam in 1948 with a clear

purpose of leading the churches of the world together and making them an instrument of peace,” the moderator of the WCC’s central committee, Bishop Heinrich Bedford-Strohm, from Bavaria, Germany (pictured centre below),



said in his sermon at the service on 25 June.

“They clearly declared that war is against the will of God and that our task as Christians is exactly to overcome nationalism and other forms of division between peoples, which had just resulted in this terrible world war with so many million victims,” he continued.

“Reconciliation was from the very beginning of its existence, part of the very DNA of the WCC,” said Bedford-Strohm.

In her greeting, the president of the Protestant Church of Geneva, Eva Di Fortunato, welcomed the congregation. To be the church, she said, “means singing together, praying together, journeying together, and above all, recognizing and valuing the diversity of traditions within our communities.” We are part of this worldwide celebrating, journeying and uniting tradition.



## **‘SETTING MY PEOPLE FREE’ STILL COSTS LIVES**

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On the front cover of this magazine, you’ll find the Exodus story of Moses coming face to face with God in the Burning Bush; a very familiar story set as one of the Old Testament reading for September 3<sup>rd</sup> this year. If you read on, you’ll discover that God calls Moses to set his enslaved people free and to lead them out of oppression under the hands of the Pharaoh in Egypt and into the freedom and promise of ‘The Promised Land’. The call was: “Let My People Go!” It became the call of oppressed African-American people in the USA in Martin Luther King’s time and in more recent years during the Black Lives Matter campaigns. Freedom to voice calls for justice and oppose tyranny must remain sacrosanct in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

I was reminded of this when I heard about the assassination of the radical Presidential candidate, Fernando Villavicencio, in Ecuador. He was campaigning to oppose the former corrupt President and against the powerful and violent drug cartels and Mafia gangs in Ecuador. I don’t know whether he had any Christian commitment, but I do know he stood for the oppressed and enslaved in a country of corruption and violence. His campaign posters highlighted his ‘Struggle for peace, democracy and patriotism’. He was, in other words, committed to a political campaign to ‘Let My People Go’. And for that he was assassinated. Tragic and unjust!

We are unlikely to campaign in Presidential campaigns, but we are called to respond to God’s call to each generation to share in those struggles by prayer, action and advocacy, to ‘Let My People Go’ in today’s world. God’s call to Moses was not a one-off.

It’s a call to every generation of Jesus’ followers. Jesus himself heard that same call: ‘The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me... to set the captives free and to announce the year of the Lord’s freedom.’ We must hear it too.

**Noel**

**Welcome and Induction Service for the Revd Louise Gough  
at 7.00pm on Wednesday, 30 August 2023**

**As an aid to our worship on this special occasion, before the service begins, Dr Alan Sykes will play the following pieces:**

<b>Bach</b>	<b>Toccatà and Fugue in D minor BWV 565</b>
<b>Alfred Hollins</b>	<b>A Song of Sunshine</b>
<b>Joseph Jongen</b>	<b>Cantilène</b>
<b>Mozart</b>	<b>Epistle Sonata KV67</b>

**As you enter the sanctuary, you are invited to be seated quietly and to listen reflectively to the music being played as we all prepare for worship.**

**At the end of this short recital, if you are able, please stand while the Bible, under whose authority we meet, is brought in, followed by those who will be sharing in leading the service.**

**At the end of the service, after the Blessing, Alan will play**

**Lefébure-Wély      Sortie**

**as a postlude. You are invited to be seated while Alan plays. At the end, you are invited to share in refreshments in the Wesley Room.**

**We are grateful to Dr Alan Sykes and to the Revd John Atkinson and family and friends for their musical contributions to our worship and celebration.**