



Thames North Synod

12th March 2016

10.00 am to 4.00 pm

AGENDA

**NON-VOTING
/ OBSERVER**

Hosts: The Heath and Havering Group of Churches

Venue: Trinity United Reformed Church, Upminster, RM14 2SJ

Ministers: Revds Dorothee Bührma, Jim Dalglish, Martin Weedon & Ann Woodhurst

***Members of Synod are asked to be seated by 09.55 to ensure a prompt start
- housekeeping notices will be given shortly before 10 am***

Worship leader for the day: Revd Jane Weedon

AGENDA

MORNING SESSION

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| 1. | Welcome and Constitution of Synod | <i>Moderator</i> | 10.00 |
| 2. | Opening worship | <i>Host churches</i> | 10.05 |
| 3. | Glimpse of our mission | <i>Host churches</i> | |
| 4. | Apologies | <i>Synod Clerk</i> | 10.25 |
| 5. | Minutes of Synod Meeting 21 November 2015 | <i>Synod Clerk</i> | |
| 6. | Matters arising not considered elsewhere | <i>Synod Clerk</i> | |
| 7. | Personnel (Paper A1) | | 10.30 |
| | 12.1 Movement of Ministers | <i>Revd James Fields</i> | |
| | 12.2 Staff changes (<i>currently there are none</i>) | | |
| 8. | Re-visioning process | <i>Moderator & others</i> | 10.40 |
| | 8.1 General update on Re-visioning | | |
| | 8.2 Discipleship committee | | |
| | 8.3 Pastoral committee (Paper B2) | | |
| | 8.4 Resources committee (Paper B3) | | |
| | 8.5 Local Area Groups: "What's working well"
(<i>including devotional/prayer</i>) | | |
| 9. | Finance Report (Paper C) | <i>Treasurer</i> | 11.40 |
| 10. | Notices | <i>Synod Clerk</i> | 12.00 |

LUNCH

12.30 - 1.30

(This timing at the request of the local church – a group will meet in the sanctuary from 2pm)

Please try to be seated for the afternoon session by 1.25

AFTERNOON SESSION

Worship – gathering song

11.	Report from URC Youth Assembly	<i>Synod Youth Executive</i>	1.30
12.	TLS	<i>Revd Francis Ackroyd</i>	2.00
13.	Closure of Queens Park URC <i>(Resolution from West London Area Committee)</i>	<i>Revd James Fields</i>	2.20
	Pause for prayer and reflection		
14.	HR Consultant	<i>Synod Clerk</i>	2.40
15.	Appointments and Elections (Paper A2) <i>(Nominations for Moderators of GA; Appointment of GA reps, lay & ordained; members of Exec)</i>	<i>Synod Clerk</i>	2.50
16.	Israel /Palestine Resolution (Paper D) <i>Resolution from Welwyn Garden City United Reformed Church</i>		3.00
17.	Any other business (previously notified to the clerk)		3.30
18.	Closing Worship	<i>Moderator & Revd Jane Weedon</i>	

Synod reconvenes on Saturday 17 September, venue to be confirmed.