



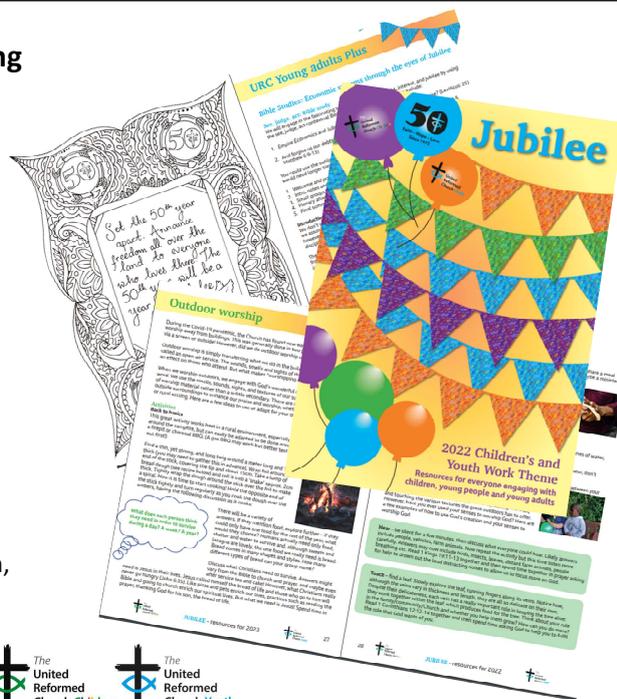
Coming this month in the all-church mailing

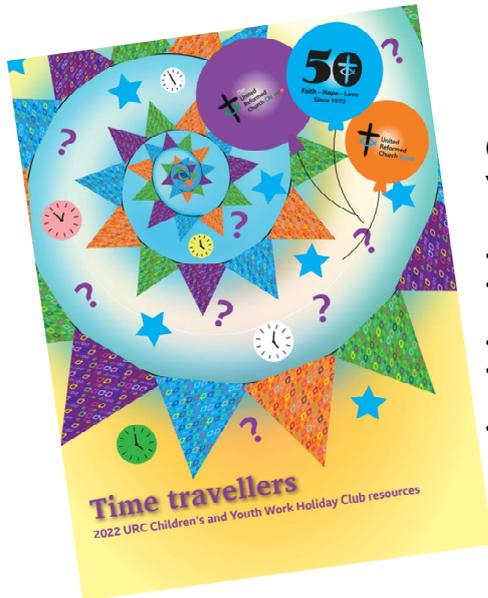
Resource book for all ages and stages to engage with the theme of **Jubilee**

- Activities, discussions, Bible studies, songs
- Intergenerational worship, outdoor worship, drama scripts
- Colouring pages for old and young
- Puzzles, challenges and games

Whether your church engages directly with children, young people and young adults or not, there's something for everyone in this booklet.

Or you could pass it on to a local school or group.





Planning to run a holiday club or event?



Online from early May 2022, the URC Children and Youth Work Holiday Club resources **Time Travellers**

- Five self-standing session plans
- Games, activities, snacks, prayers, discussion, dramas, original songs and more
- Appendices for toddlers, 11-14s, vintage and intergenerational
- Supporting material – videos of dramas and extra activities to be available online
- And why not apply for a small grant from CYW to support you?

Don't forget: If you are thinking of running a holiday club at Easter, our SUPERSLEUTHS material is still available.



Go with Greta and #connect2

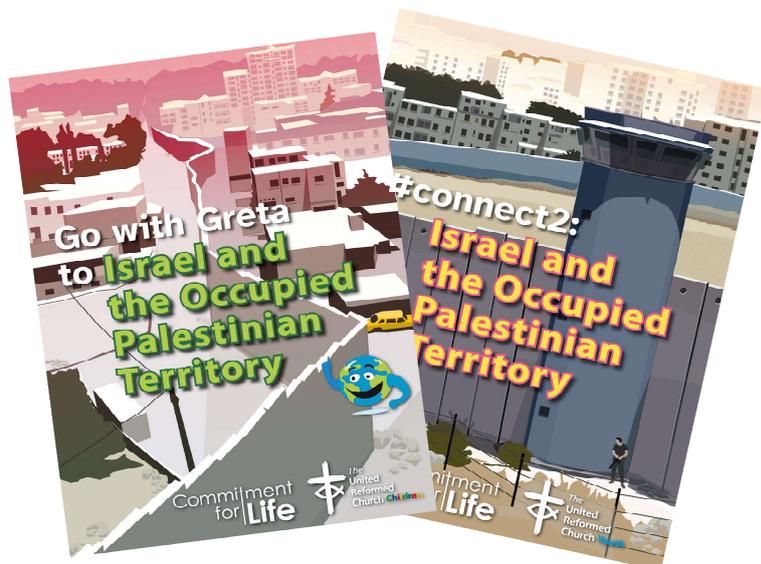
A two-part booklet, written by URC Commitment for Life and URC Children's and Youth Work.

Provides five sessions for use with children aged 5-11 and young people aged 11 to 14.

Includes ideas for an intergenerational celebration

Available in hard copy or online from June 2022

A first introduction to life in Israel and the occupied Palestinian territory.



Children and Youth Friendly Church Scheme

Congregations who wish to explore and develop their engagement with children, families and youth, can join this accompanied, reflective process.



The first Children and Youth Friendly Church plaque in the Synod was presented earlier this month being presented this month to South Aston URC
Could your church be next?



Talking about...
Engaging With Schools and Colleges

24th March 2022 7-8pm

Churches often have links with their local schools, and almost all universities have a chaplaincy or, at least a chaplain - but what opportunities and benefits are offered by connections with Secondary schools and F.E. Colleges? How might we engage with the upper age range of the education sector? Should we?

In this session, we will hear from 2 practitioners who are working with young people in secondary and tertiary education and you will have the chance to hear their insights and share your thoughts, concerns and joys on this aspect of the Church's mission.

Get your free ticket from
<https://bit.ly/3HPL3cV>

Building identity ?

Resources ?

Networking for leaders ?

Giving children a voice at all levels ?

Merchandise ?

Children as regional ambassadors ?

Events and gatherings ?

The United Reformed Church Children together

Launching at General Assembly 2022

Rhona supports music for worship

Andrew and Daniel help run a uniform swap shop

Ethan and Jasper provide music for worship and raise money for charity

Imogen is faithful in worship and service

Eveline hands out the hymn books at church

Jonathan provides IT support for his church

Ashley and Ryan took part in a big sleep out event for charity

Who will you nominate?
urc.org.uk/your-church/church-local-and-global/lundie-memorial-awards/

Worked for the coming of God's Kingdom
1824-1895
Robert Lundie

The United Reformed Church Children

The United Reformed Church Youth






Faith – Hope – Love on the way to Easter

The wider URC Children’s and Youth team was invited to contribute to this Easter resource available from urcshop.co.uk

It is exciting to see so many children and young people included and given the opportunity to tell their stories of everyday discipleship.



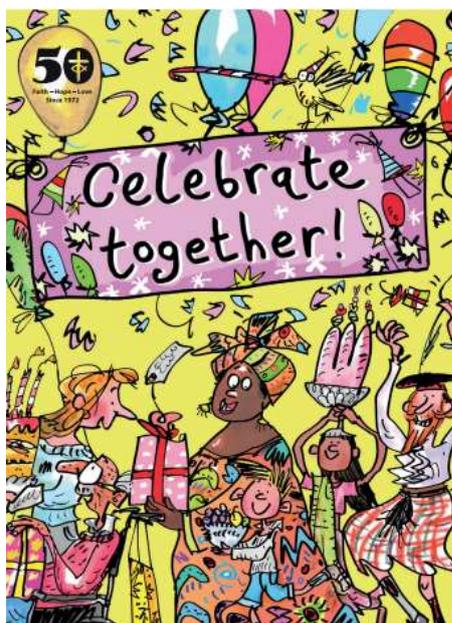

Contribute to the 50th Anniversary Celebrations

You are invited to get creative and design a postcard for display at Methodist Central Hall on 1 October for the 50th Anniversary of the United Reformed Church

- You need a blank postcard-sized piece of card.
- Decorate one side with words and/or images of what the URC means to you
- Draw, write, design, paint, collage – it’s up to you.
- On the other side – name, age (as appropriate) and location

Send to Sam Richards at Church House by 1 August for your postcard to be included.





Have you got YOUR copy yet?

Celebrate Together – an intergenerational book to share in celebration of the URC's 50th birthday

FREE (P&P only) from the URC shop

Colourful, engaging, entertaining, thought provoking, informative and fun. Perfect to share with local schools, groups who use your building, families, individuals... well, everyone really.

With linked resources on urc.org.uk

- prayer stations,
- all-age service,
- PowerPoint version for use with groups

Competition time

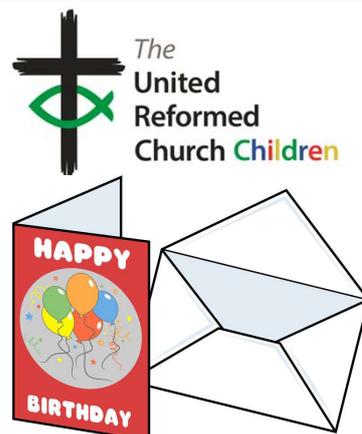
URC Children – Birthday card competition **for 12s and under**

Design a card that a church or synod could send to a child aged 1 to 12 on their birthday. Maximum three entries per child.

Designs should be A4 paper or digital and include a space for the URC Children logo.

Send entries to children.youth@urc.org.uk or Children and Youth, United Reformed Church House, 86 Tavistock Place, London WC1H 9RT by **Friday 10 June 2022**.

Please include name and age, connection with the URC, contact email address, and a signature from parent or carer.



PRAYER PILGRIMAGE



Families on Faith Adventures @ Home

Families on Faith Adventures at Home is a free weekly resource from the United Reformed Church to help families worship and pray together and develop their faith during the pandemic and beyond.



These materials are a 'pick and mix' selection of activities, prayers and challenges based around a different Bible reading each and every week.

No matter what your family make-up, you will find something useful and engaging in these materials.

Find the back catalogue and most recent editions at <https://urc.org.uk/your-faith/children-young-people/families-on-faith-adventures-at-home/>

Many churches have also reported adapting them for use with groups too.

New Children and Youth Pinterest Page

In recent weeks I have begun to set up a new Pinterest page as a place to hold links to resources that might be of interest and support to churches in their engagement with children and young people. This is a work in progress and will grow over time.

Have look at (https://www.pinterest.co.uk/cydo0555/_created/) or search for @cydo0555 on Pinterest and also let me have links to any resources that you would like to see added for the benefit of others. I would love for this to become a collaborative effort.



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BOOK AN APPOINTMENT

<https://doodle.com/mm/cydourcwestmids/book-a-time>