

# DEPTFORD DEANERY

Working together in mission

and ministry in South East London

Prayer • Collaboration • Mission

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019

## “Thank God it’s Monday!”

*supporting* **Every Church**  
*for* **Everyday Faith**

Join us for this interactive **Deptford Deanery Forum** as we consider lay ministry, prayer and discipleship that equips every Christian in every church for everyday faith.

7:00-7:30pm

Welcome and Coffee

7:30-8:45pm

Forum Discussion and Presentation

8:45-9:15pm

Deanery Synod Business

## Deptford Deanery Forum Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March: Lay Ministry

This will be our first significant opportunity to hear about the ***“Setting God’s People Free”*** agenda that has been researched and published nationally by the Church of England. Southwark Diocese has done its own report on Lay Ministry (2018) that builds on the national report and in March 2019 Deptford Deanery will be able to consider how we can support the vision to strengthen lay ministry and discipleship in our parishes and chaplaincies.

*Setting God’s People Free for... Monday to Saturday (as well as Sunday!)* offers seven small shifts that will make a big difference to the way we worship, pray and support each other in our everyday faith. Whether your regular gathering is on a Sunday, or another time in the week, these seven ideas have proved helpful to churches of all sizes and traditions.

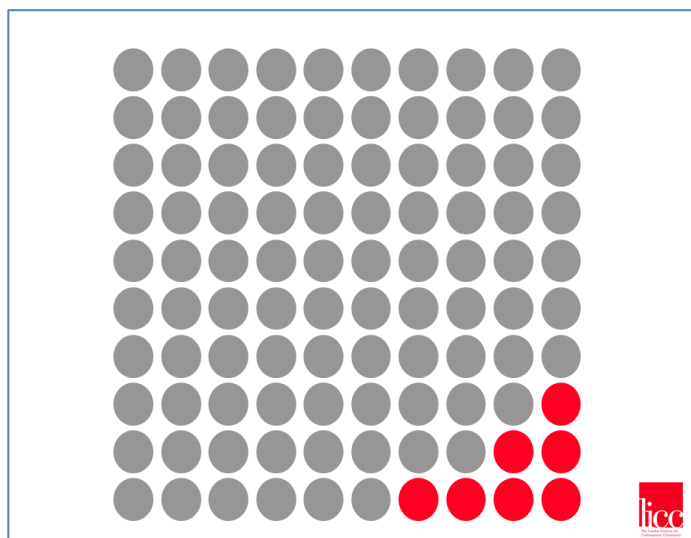
1. BE CURIOUS
2. VISITING PEOPLE IN CONTEXT
3. SUNDAY PRAYING FOR MONDAY TO SATURDAY LIVING
4. THIS TIME TOMORROW
5. WHAT’S NOTICED ON NOTICE BOARDS?
6. COMMISSIONING PEOPLE
7. PREACHING MATTERS

<https://www.churchofengland.org/mondaytosaturday#na>

At the Deptford Deanery Forum we will encourage everyone to share ideas and resources that help them in their daily ministry and mission. We want to look at some practical ideas around making sermons on Sunday more related to people’s lives Monday –Saturday and how gathered church supports people to be scattered across the city during the week.

I believe we have a great potential to impact our city for Christ when we focus the ministry of the gathered church on how it equips the people for God in their mission as teachers, parents, cleaners, carers, business people, neighbours etc rather than putting all our energies into maintaining the gathered church structure and organisation. The following simple diagrams designed by the London Institute of Contemporary Christianity <https://www.licc.org.uk/> help to make that point:

**Gathered Church**



**Scattered Church**

