Churches Together in England

Forum 2025

Draft Programme Monday 17 – Wednesday 19 March 2025 The Hayes Conference Centre, Hayes Lane, Swanwick, Derbyshire DE55 1AU

One But Not The Same: Celebrating Diversity – Living with Difference

Aims of CTE Forum:

To bring CTE Member Churches, Intermediate Bodies, Charities and Networks in Association and other ecumenical representatives together to further enrich and enable Christian unity in England.

To deepen our relationships together through fellowship, theological reflection, shared worship and action.

To consider together the theme of unity amid our diversity, considering areas of change and challenge to the churches and to create a safe space for all our Member Bodies representatives.

Time	Session	Content	Speakers
		Monday 17 March	
1.00pm		Lunch for Planning Group and Volunteers only	
2.00pm		Registration and Arrivals	
		Marketplace set up	
3.00pm		Musicians Rehearsal	
3.30pm		Planning Team Meeting	
4.00pm		Tea and coffee	

4.45pm	Session One	Welcome and Opening Worship	Moderator Rev Anton Müller and Deputy Moderator Rev Olivia Amartey Introduce the Forum Poet and Art Historian
		Opening Address	Bishop Mike Royal
		A Call to Peace	John Cooper
6.00pm		Dinner	
7.30pm	Session Two	Reflecting on Synodality	Cardinal Vincent Nichols Elaine Green and Archbishop Nikitas
8.30pm		Evening Worship	Pentecostal Worship led by Bishop Tedroy Powell With singing led by Angie Lee
9.00pm		Time in the bar	
9.15- 9.45pm	Optional Activity	Speed ecumenism	Cherry Hamilton-Bond
		Tuesday 18 March	
8.00am		Breakfast	
9.00am		Morning Worship	Taizé Led by Rev Steven Cooper
9.30am	Session Three	Ways of Seeing: Art and Difference	Dr Deborah Lewer
		Bible study on the Priesthood of All Believers	Bishop Paulina Hławiczka-Trotman Responses by Fr Andreas Minic and Dolly Bamigbade Reflection space for all

11.00am		Break	
11.30am	Session Four	Ways of Seeing: Art and Difference	Dr Deborah Lewer
		Artificial Intelligence and the Church	Rev Professor David Wilkinson and Archbishop Doyé Agama
		Change in the Church	Bishop Claion Grandison
1.00pm		Lunch	
2.00pm	Session Five	Marketplace and	
		Free time	
3.45pm		Break	
4.15pm	Session Six	 Workshop 1 A choice of Workshop Options A choice of Workshop Options Intercultural Churches (The Chapel) Accessible Church (Tissington Room) Exploring Forest Church (Meet outside the Main House Reception Entrance) Reflecting on Chaplaincy (Derwent Room) Theology Slam - Why bother with ecumenism? (Main Derbyshire Hall) Money Matters (Writing Room) Creating Healthy Cultures: Preventing Spiritual Abuse (Derbyshire 8) Weighing It Up: How Do We Discern the Challenges of Society as Young Ecumenists? (Derbyshire 2) Living with Diversity on Human Sexuality (Derbyshire 3) Ministry in New Housing Areas (Derbyshire 7) "Torn In Two": The Israel-Palestine Conflict (Main Conference Hall) 	

	A choice of the same Workshops Options as above. Break Dinner Session Poetess Jess Seven Racial Justice and Reparations	Rev Dr Tessa Henry Robinson
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	Panel Responses	Dr Lisa Adjei, Bishop Desmond Greaves, Bishop Paulina Hławiczka- Trotman and Bejoy Pal
8.30pm	Evening Worship Options	
	Roman Catholic Mass (The Chapel) Quaker meeting for worship (Derwent Room) Charismatic worship (Main Derbyshire Hall) Anglican Night Prayer (Tissington Room) Orthodox Compline (Derbyshire 3) Free Church service of evening worship (Derbyshire 2) Lutheran Evening Prayer (Derbyshire 7) Worship in the style of the Iona Community (Main Conference H	Hall)
9.00pm	Time in the bar	
	Wednesday 19 March	
8.00am	Breakfast	

9.00am		Morning Worship	Led by Shermara Fletcher-Hoyte and a team of young ecumenical
			leaders
9.30am	Session Eight	Ways of Seeing: Art and Difference	Dr Deborah Lewer
	8	The First Ecumenical Council	Rev Dr Susan Durber
		1700 th Anniversary of Nicaea	Nev Di Sasari Barber
		1700 7 miniversary of Modeca	
		Oikumene: Embodying Difference in the Household of God	Rt Rev Professor Anderson Jeremiah
11.00am		Break	
11.30am	Session Nine	Ways of Seeing: Art and Difference	Dr Deborah Lewer
		Closing Address The Pursuit of Unity	Rev Canon Helen Cameron
		Thank yous and Closing Words	Poetess Jess Moderator and Deputy Moderator
12.30pm		Closing Worship	
1.00pm		Lunch	
2.00pm		Departures	