

# GENERAL SYNOD

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## FEBRUARY GROUP OF SESSIONS 2018

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### THIRD NOTICE PAPER

#### WORSHIP DURING THE GROUP OF SESSIONS

Worship will take place at the following times:

Thursday 8 February	12.00	Holy Communion (Church House Chapel) President: The Revd Michael Gisbourne
	13.30	Opening worship (Assembly Hall) led by: The Revd Michael Gisbourne
	17.30	Evening Worship (Assembly Hall) led by: The Ven Anne Dawtry
Friday 9 February	09.15	Holy Communion (Assembly Hall) President: The Archbishop of Canterbury
	19.00	Evening Worship (Assembly Hall) led by: Canon Shayne Ardron
Saturday 10 February	08.00	Holy Communion (Westminster Abbey)
	09.15	Morning Worship (Assembly Hall) led by: Mr Michael Stallybrass
	13.05	Holy Communion (Chapel) led by: The Revd Michael Gisbourne (or the Community of St Anselm)

## **PASTORAL SUPPORT**

From time to time, members of Synod need pastoral support and help with personal spiritual issues. This is probably best provided by the usual network open to Church members – close friends, spiritual directors, clergy and other leaders on the member's home patch. But sometimes such support is needed during the Synod: emergencies and personally distressing situations can happen to any of us at any time.

The Chaplain, the Revd Michael Gisbourne, can be contacted via the Information Desk in the Bishop Partridge Hall.

If he can be of assistance, please ask.

## **CONTINUOUS PRAYING PRESENCE**

During this group of sessions, the Synod and its business will be supported by groups of people offering a Continuing Praying Presence. The Praying Presence will be either in the Church House Chapel or in the Public Gallery above the dais while the Synod is in session. They would welcome all Synod members who have some time – a minute, an hour, whatever – to join them in the Chapel for silent prayer. The silence will be interspersed with brief and simple led prayers every 15 minutes, but please feel welcome to come and go at any time. You will be able to follow the Synod's business if you wish via an onscreen webfeed.

Members are invited to join the Continuous Praying Presence at any time in the Chapel or by praying in the Synod Chamber.