

## SoFiC Day Conference CHURCH – GOING FORWARD London, 10 October 2015

Sea of Faith in the Churches provides a meeting place for those SoF members – and others – who find themselves in the midst of or, more commonly, hovering on the edge of the Christian Church.

This conference will focus on areas of the church's work which are undergoing change. We shall ask how these changes appear from a non-realist Sea of Faith perspective.

Our thinking will focus on the impact on the CoE of women's leadership and the involvement of the church in our hospitals and in end of life care.

- Women leaders in the CoE have particular understandings of their roles. These construals have been investigated by <u>Revd Dr Diane Rees</u>, who will explain to us the outcomes of her soon-tobe-published research.
- **Hospital chaplaincy** has changed beyond recognition since last century. <u>Revd Meg Burton</u>, long-time hospital chaplain and co-editor of the international *Journal of Health Care Chaplaincy* has been in the vanguard of these developments and will describe for us the current model. Meg was the chaplain member of the working group that, in response to concerns about the Liverpool Care Pathway, devised new protocols for **end-of-life care**, and she will tell us about the considerations underlying these.

We hope that conference members will bring questions and concerns to share with each other and with our speakers.

The venue (Essex Unitarian Church, Palace Gardens Terrace, W8 4RT) is very close to Notting Hill tube station, but has no adjacent parking. (There is an NCP car park a short distance away.) Its entrance and toilet are wheelchair accessible, and there is a loop system. The conference fee is £10 per person. Hot drinks will be available, but participants are asked to bring (or buy out) their own lunch.

An application form is to be found on sofn.org.uk and should be sent in as soon as possible, but no later than 31 August. Full details will become available on sofn.org.uk in June.