

# **OneBodyOneFaith**

## **Announces its first conference on gender diversity**

**'Extending the table: trans, intersex, gender queer and non-binary people in the Body of Christ'**

**Saturday 10 March 2018**

**St James & Emmanuel Church, Didsbury, Manchester**

Following [the adoption of new charitable objects incorporating gender diversity](#), OneBodyOneFaith is delighted to announce a major day conference focusing on the identities and gifts of trans, intersex, non-binary and genderqueer people. The extension of our vision to include this important new area of work had the overwhelming support of our members – and for many, has been a long time coming!

But what does this mean? It has to be about more than just 'adding the T - or indeed, and of the other letters - to LGBT' if it's going to be meaningful and authentic, and to reflect our conviction that *'expressing our gender and sexuality with integrity is important as a way to grow in love and discipleship'*, and our longing for *'the day when Christians fully accept, welcome, affirm and offer equality to everyone in their diversity'*.

This day is for our members and supporters to explore together what it means to identify as trans, intersex, non-binary or gender queer.

- what do these identities mean?
- how do these experiences help us speak of God?
- how have our understandings changed over time...
- ...or for different individuals with different stories?
- how do we need to change our thinking, speaking and behaviour – as individuals and faith communities?
- how can we be helped and enabled to do that together?

The day will focus on experience and reflection, not academic arguments – although we'll have resources on offer if you do want to go deeper. It's for anyone who wants to explore and reflect – wherever they are on their journey.

Full details and bookings open in January, but save the date.

You can [download a flyer for the day by clicking here](#).