



South Asian Heritage Month

1st – 31st July

Celebrating culture, faith, stories and belonging across communities.

What is South Asian Heritage Month (SAHM)?

This month is dedicated to commemorating, celebrating, and educating on the rich history, culture and contributions of the eight countries that make up South Asia.

During July, as a church, we give thanks and acknowledge the many opportunities to explore the impact South Asians have had through food, clothing, language, music, enterprise, and community.

During South Asian Heritage Month, let's give thanks for the gifts, faith, leadership and cultural wisdom that South Asian communities bring.



Today, we can take the opportunity to reflect on:

Who gets to feel at home in our churches?

What does Unity in Diversity look like for us?

How does culture shape liturgy and leadership?



Unity in Diversity

The theme this year is “**Unity in Diversity**”, which invites us to explore what unites us across these differences, while celebrating the beauty and strength that diversity brings.



Loving God,

We thank you for the rich cultures and communities of South Asia, for their stories, faith and gifts within our churches.

Draw us together as one body,
helping us to celebrate our differences with joy
and welcome one another with love.

Teach us to listen, to learn and to walk humbly together
so that all may know they belong.

In Christ our unity,
Amen



During SAHM:

- Explore history, migration and identity.
- Create space for lived experiences and voices.
- Share acts of hospitality and welcome.
- Invite voices from diverse backgrounds to contribute to the service.
- Sing a song or read a prayer in one of the diverse languages from South Asia.

🎵 To God be the Glory

🎵 Praise be to the Lord God Almighty