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Worship and Fellowship 17 April 2022 Easter Sunday

What's On This Week....

Monday 18 April 9.30am - 12.30pm Office Closed Bank Holiday - Premises Closed

Tuesday 19 April Office Closed 5.45 - 6.45pm Dinky Divas

Wednesday 20 April 10.00am - 1.00pm Office Open 9.00am Zoom Prayer Group (See Notices)

Thursday 21 April 9.30am - 3.30pm Office Open 1.00pm Funeral of Doris Clough (See Notices)

Friday 22 April 9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open 9.45 - 10.45pm Move It or Lose It 6.30 - 9.00pm Gateway Group

Saturday 23 April

Collect for the Day

Come and join us on Sunday, 24 April 2022

Easter 2 in Church and Live-Streamed

10.30am Holy Communion led by Rev Glennys Bamford

1.00 - 4.30pm Hope City Church

10.30am Easter Day Holy Communion led by Rev Dr Paul Nzacahayo

Welcome and introduction to worship

Psalm 118: 1 - 2, 14 - 24

StF 298 Christ the Lord is risen today;

Prayer

Reception into membership of Krishma

Bible Readings:

Isaiah 65: 17 - 25 read by John Bate

John 20: 1 - 18 read by Alan Marriott

StF 314 This joyful Eastertide,

Sermon

StF 303 I know that my Redeemer lives

Prayers of Intercession

Offerings

StF 568 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus,

Holy Communion

StF 313 Thine be the glory,

Blessing

We Welcome You to Worship Today

If you are here for the first time, please make yourself known to those around you, or to one of the Stewards or Minister. You may like to sign the visitors book in the foyer.

Our fellowship will continue after morning worship with tea and coffee served in the Coffee Bar.

The Plants in Church for April

are in Loving Memory of:

Kathryn;
Betty and Brownie
Carter-Brown;
Ven Venables;
David Boulton;
Anne Jones and her Parents;
Violet Watts;

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY AND INFORMATION

Saturday, 4 June. Family Picnic, Games and Music to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee from 2.00 - 5.00pm outside at Beckminster (inside if weather is bad). Anyone wishing to help please let me know.

Sunday, 5 June. 10.30am Morning Service led by Rev Dr Paul Nzacahayo to include some commemorative musical items to mark the Jubilee.

Many thanks. Tim Lorimer.

JUBILEE WEEKEND. Many thanks to those who responded to my request to make Bunting. The youngest to make Pennants and others to knit red, white and blue squares (and a few borders) with the bags of wool supplied. There is no need to join up any of these pieces and you can give them to me at any time, as long as I have all these by Sunday, 15 May please. I also asked that, if anyone has any spare double knitting wool, you could also knit some squares and borders in any other colours. I will be pleased to receive these at any time between now and the Autumn. Once the Jubilee celebrations are over, I will then be stitching all the squares together to make small blankets. If you would like to help, do please ask me for a pattern and a list of instructions. The whole purpose of this is so that these 'Jubilee' blankets can be distributed to those in most need, in Wolverhampton, and to offer them some warmth and comfort at a time of rising prices in the cost of heating. If you would like to help please see me after the service, or contact me on 01902 650812. Thank you. Ann Holt.

ALL WE CAN (AWC) Ukraine Emergency Appeal update. The total to date that we have sent to AWC for the Ukraine Emergency Appeal is now £1,170. Individuals have also donated directly online. Every day in the news we hear of the desperate needs of the civilian population, so thank you for your generosity. PLEASE NOTE that all the money is being used for Ukraine even though people who donated by cheque may have received a letter of thanks for their donation saying their gifts would be used in Zimbabwe. As soon as I was aware of this I contacted AWC to state that this was not our intention for the collection. AWC replied to my query as follows:

"First of all, I am very very sorry that you have received the incorrect letter, we take full responsibility for this. I can confirm that your Church donations have in fact gone to Ukraine, and not Zimbabwe." Sue Reed.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED URGENTLY FOR THE METHODIST CONFERENCE 2022 TELFORD. Thursday, 23 — Thursday 30 June 2022 at Telford International Centre, St Quentin Gate, Telford TF3 4JH. You are needed for the following: Stewards, Help Desk, Collators and Distributors, Creche (DBS essential). Interested? Please make contact with Carole Booth, Methodist Conference Volunteer Co-ordinator Email: Caroleabooth@hotmail.com Looking forward to your email. Thank you in anticipation.

FREE CHURCH CHOIRS at Lichfield Cathedral on Saturday, 21 May 2022 at 6.30pm. Choir of 200 voices. There will be a rehearsal at Trinity Methodist Church on Friday, 13 May 2022 at 7.30pm for anyone wishing to join the choir. Please contact Marion edge -davrionedge@aol.co.uk (Trinity).

TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH, CODSALL will be hosting Tom Elliott on Saturday, 11 June 2022. Tickets £8. Further information will be available but please look at the details on the notice board in the Coffee Bar.

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE. The service this morning will be live streamed. The camera focuses only on those taking part but the back of your head might be seen. If you wish to remain out of sight of the camera, please sit at the back of the church.

ZOOM PRAYER MEETING on a Wednesday at 9.00am. All are welcome and for further details please contact Sue.

DORIS CLOUGH. Our thoughts and prayers are with Roger, Janette and the family following the death of Roger's mum, Doris, on 21 March 2022 aged 98 years. The funeral will take place here at Beckminster on Thursday, 21 April 2022 at 1.00pm followed by a private burial at Penn Cemetery at 2.00pm. All are welcome to stay for refreshments in the Main Hall.

COFFEE MATES. Meet Monday, 2 May 2022 at the Inn at Shipley, Bridgnorth Road, Shipley, WV6 7EQ from 11.00am - 12noon. Everybody welcome. June Sutton tel. 07790272865.

CHURCH OFFICE will close at 1.00pm on Wednesday, 4 May 2022 and will reopen on Wednesday, 11 May 2022 at 10.00pm. Please send anything in the usual way. Sue.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY. Please note that we plan to hold our General Church Meeting (here, not on Zoom) after the morning service on Sunday, 15th May. We hope as many members as possible will try to join us. More details later. John Ashwood.

WOLVERHAMPTON FAIR TRAID. Wolverhampton Fair Traid have opened another pop-up shop in the Mander Centre. Opening hours: 10.00 am - 5.00pm, Mondays - Saturdays. We will remain open until Saturday, 23rd April. You will find us next to the YMCA shop in the Victoria Arcade - the passage leading from Beatties into Mander Square itself. Easter eggs, cards and decorations will also be available. We look forward to seeing you.

Prayer for Ukraine

Holy and Gracious God

We pray for the people of the Ukraine and the people of Russia, for their countries and their leaders.

We pray for all those who are afraid; that your everlasting arms hold them in this time of great fear.

We pray for all those who have the power over life and death; that they will choose for all people life, and life in all its fullness.

We pray for those who choose war; that they will remember that you direct your people to turn swords into ploughshares and to seek peace.

We pray for leaders on the world stage; that they are inspired by the wisdom and courage of Christ.

Above all, Lord, today we pray for peace in Ukraine.

And we ask this in the name of your blessed Son.

Lord have mercy. Amen



Beckminster Methodist Church Easter 2022

Resurrection Joy

(Paul wrote first about Jesus' death and resurrection as this letter was written before Mark's gospel, the first gospel, was written)

Although we have not seen Him, yet we love Him; and trusting in Him, we are filled with joy too great for words. Praise to God, the Father of our risen Lord Jesus Christ.

When everything was dark, and it seemed that the sun would never shine again, Your love broke through. Your love was too strong, too wide, too deep for death to hold. The sparks cast by your love dance and spread and burst forth with resurrection light. Gracious God, we praise you for the light of new life made possible through Jesus. We praise you for the light of new life that shone on the first witnesses of the resurrection. We praise you for the light of the new life that continues to shine in our hearts today. We pray that the Easter light of life, hope and joy, will live in us each day; And that we will be bearers of that light into the lives of others.

Amen.

(Michaela Youngson)