

Worship... Service ... Witness ... in the name of Jesus

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Worship and Fellowship

2 April 2023

Lent 6 - Palm Sunday

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What's On This Week....

Monday 3 April

9.30am - 1.30pm Office Open

9.30am - 12.30pm Art Group

10.45am - 12noon Coffee Mates (See Notices)

1.00 - 3.15pm Take a Break

Tuesday 4 April

10.15am - 2.15pm Office Open

7.15 - 8.45pm Yoga Group

Wednesday 5 April

9.30am - 1.30pm Office Open

9.00am Zoom Prayer Group

9.15 - 11.15am WeightWatchers

Thursday 6 April

9.30am - 3.30pm Office Closed

7.00pm Maundy Thursday Service led by Rev Peggy Heim (See Notices)

Friday 7 April

9.30am - 12.30pm Office Closed

Good Friday arrangements (See Notices)

Saturday 8 April

Collect for the Day

To ponder and pray
God of mercy, as we rejoice in the resurrection of your Son, the Bread of Life, feed us with your plenty and increase in us compassion for the hungry; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Come and join us on Sunday, 9 April 2023 Easter Sunday

9.00am Easter Breakfast

10.30am Holy Communion led by Rev Peggy Heim

1.00 - 4.30pm Hope City Church

**10.30am Morning Worship
led by Rev Ivor Sperring**

**Lent 6
Palm Sunday**



Welcome

Congregation Sing verse 1 of StF 240

Reader 1

On our Lenten journey we finally come with Jesus to Jerusalem. We join with his disciples in our praise, waving our palms, singing our 'Hosannas'. Yet this high moment of celebration is his last act of no return. His fate is sealed, his suffering and death certain, his self-sacrifice complete.

Symbols to be placed by the cross – palms and a crown of thorns

Reader 2

As we place these symbols of celebration and suffering so we reflect on our divided society where hidden beneath a veneer of prosperity so many go hungry, live in pain and despair, feel excluded; those within whom Jesus continues to be nailed to a cross.

Reader 1

This Holy Week, let us reflect on the ways in which we crucify Jesus again and again in our world today and ask what we can do, what we can say, what we can encourage our leaders to do and say to bring about a just and peaceful world that all may know his resurrection joy.

Prayer

Leader:

Self-giving God, you came in Jesus that all might know your love we pray for the communities in which we live.

May Christ be known and his love be shown

We remember those who feel lost amongst those who seem to be having a good time. For the hidden people whose cries for help are drowned in a sea of celebration.

ECUMENICAL LENT LUNCHTIME TALK

"Where we stand together"

Soup and rolls will be available from 12.00 pm, the talk will begin at 12.30 pm promptly and finish by 1.00 pm to allow time for questions and discussion.

Monday 3rd April – St Peter's Collegiate Church

The Rev'd Preb. Sarah Schofield

Senior Chaplain, University of Wolverhampton

More in Common



COFFEE
MORNING

**Saturday, 15th April 2023
10.30am – 12noon**

**Cream teas available to pre-order £2.50.
We will also be selling craft items.**

**Beckminster Methodist Church
in support of aid to the Ukraine**

All are welcome – Bring a friend

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY AT UPPER ETTINGSHALL METHODIST CHURCH.

“The History & Art of Town Crying-Allegedly” presented by Adrian Holmes (him who rings that bell), Town Crier for Lichfield & Former Town Crier for Sandwell on Wednesday, 19 April 2023 at 7.00pm. Admission £4.00 to include refreshments. An amusing and entertaining speaker. Coffee Morning and Bring & Buy for Christian Aid on Saturday, 22 April 2023 from 10.30am to 12.00 noon. All are welcome.

Easter Arrangements 2023

Maundy Thursday, 6 April

7.00pm Service led by Rev Peggy Heim in the Epworth Room

Good Friday, 7 April

10.30am Walk of Witness to start from the car park of Jubilee Christian Centre. Stopping off at the Ukrainian Church, St Chads and Lea Road and finishing at Beckminster at around 11.30am for refreshments and Hot Cross Buns
12.45pm Short Service in Church led by Rev Paul Nzacahayo
1.15pm Frugal Lunch (for Christian Aid) in the Coffee Bar

Easter Day, 9 April

There will be no 8.00am Communion Service
9.00am Easter Breakfast in the Coffee Bar (Donations in aid of All We Can)
10.30am Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Rev Peggy Heim

May Christ be known and his love shown

We pray for the changes that are needed in our lives, the life of our nation and the policies of our leaders to bring about a society that enables the voice of the poor and excluded to be heard and all of our lives to be transformed in your love.

May Christ be known and his love shown.

Help us to be involved in making Christ known in all we are and do as we dedicate ourselves to his kingdom. **Amen.**

StF 483 We are marching in the light of God,

Dismissal for Younger Ones

Readings:

Philippians 2: 5 - 11 read by Alan Marriott

Matthew 27: 15 - 24 read by Stephanie Wilkes

StF 677 Christ is made the sure foundation,

Sermon

StF 504 May the mind of Christ my Saviour

Intercessions

Offering

StF 415 The Church of Christ, in every age

Blessing

The Plants in Church for April
are in Loving Memory of:
Ven Venables;
Kathryn Tonks;
Brownie and Betty Carter Brown;
Mr & Mrs Kenneth Corns;
David Boulton;
Anne Jones and her Parents;
Violet Watts;

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.

Our fellowship will continue after
morning worship with tea and coffee
served 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.

COFFEE MATES. Meet Monday, 3 April 2023 at The Inn at Shipley, Bridgnorth Road, Shipley WV6 7EQ from 10.45am - 12noon. Everybody welcome. June Sutton, tel. 07790272865.

CHURCH OFFICE. Please note that the Church Office will be open Monday - Wednesday leading up to Easter and will then reopen on Wednesday, 12 April 2023 at 9.30am.

EASTER GARDEN. You are all invited to bring with you two items on Easter morning:

- firstly, a small (indoor) pot plant to place at the foot of the cross in the chancel.

- secondly one or two individual flowers (narcissus, tulip, daffodil) to decorate the cross which we stand outside the church on that day.

The pot plants will be delivered to house-bound members by Pastoral Visitors after the service.

Thank you in advance.

CHURCH ALIVE and BECK TOGETHER - BOOK THE DATE. We are arranging a group visit to Tong Church on the afternoon of Saturday, 22 April 2023. This will offer a guided tour of this beautiful and historic church for £5. Afternoon Tea will then be available for those who wish, for a further £7. We will link up our car transport so everyone can be included. More details to follow. Numbers will be limited but final numbers and your payment will be needed by Sunday, 16 April 2023. Contact Wendy Bate.

SUNDAY CLUB will remain in Church with their families to celebrate Easter in worship celebration together on Sunday, 9 April, and also due to school holidays will not meet separately on 16 April. Normal activities will resume on 23 April.

BECK TOGETHER will welcome Rev Samantha Hagerman on Wednesday, 19 April 2023 at 2.00pm. Sam's talk is entitled "Roots and Routes" and she will speak about her early life in South Africa and her recent visit there. Everyone will be very welcome to join us for fellowship and a cuppa.

CORONATION LUNCH, Sunday, 7 May 2023. A working group is now arranging this event and they may ask people individually to help in some way. It will be a ticket only event at £5.00 per head and tickets will be available from Sue. tickets by Sunday, 23 April 2023. Many thanks. Tim

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY. Partnerships in the Gambia (formerly WYCE) invite you to a Kurling (without ice) and Fish & Chip supper event on Saturday, 29 April at Beckminster Methodist Church. 7.00pm for 7.30pm start. Tickets £10 (payable in advance) are available from Sue in the Office.

JUDY CARTER BROWN AND NIC ANDERSON have both emailed me to thank all the cake and tea producers, for making the time spent after the two services such a happy time and very much appreciated. Thank you all for the wonderful help and support you gave to me at these times. June

100 SKIPS IN FEBRUARY. A massive thank you to everyone who sponsored me for my skipping challenge! In total, I did 3186 skips and raised, altogether from Beckminster, the salon, friends and family, a total of £903.25 including Gift Aid for Cancer Research UK. My initial target was £150.00 so you've helped me smash that out of sight. Thank you again for your contributions and support. Hazel Graham x

You are invited to join the **FRUGAL LUNCH** which will be held at 1.15pm after the service on Good Friday. Donations for the work of Christian Aid will be very much appreciated. Wendy Bate.

MARGARET & GORDON wish to say thank you for the lovely flowers we have received after our recent burglary.

The City of Sanctuary Drop-in is requesting donations of pushchairs, food processors, blenders, liquidisers etc. If you can help, please can you contact Deacon Linda on 07941 354958 or linda.gilson@methodist.org.uk Thank you very much.