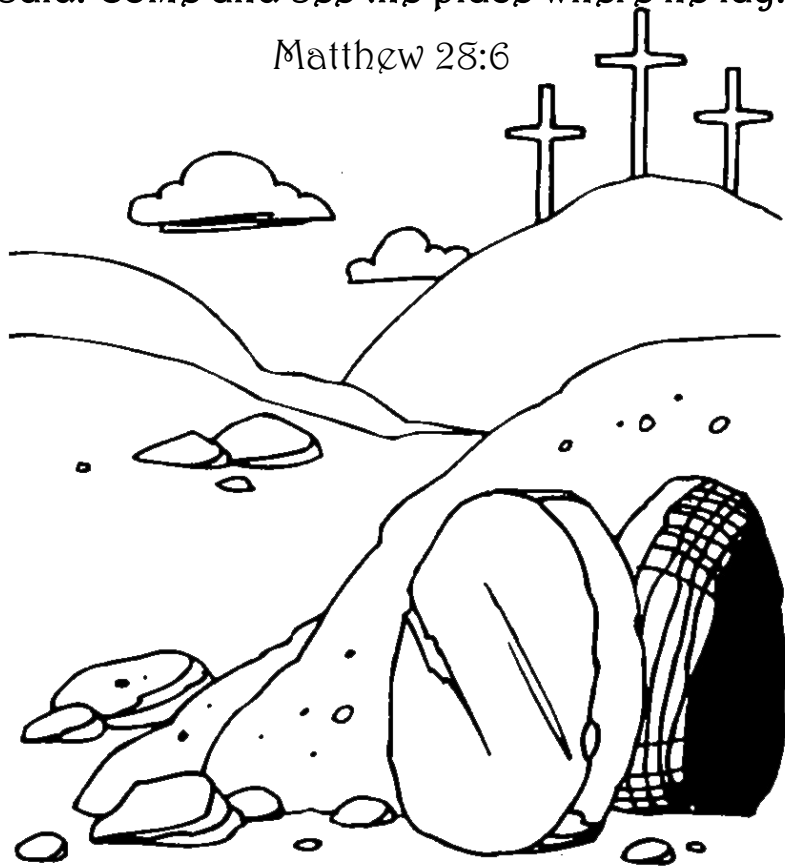


April 2020

He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay.

Matthew 28:6



CONTACT

“CONNECTING WITH THE LORD, ONE ANOTHER AND THE COMMUNITY”

Christ Church Website Address: www.christchurchlisburn.co.uk

Worship

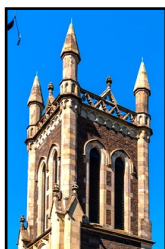
We worship a Living God.

We worship and pray together at 8.00 am, 8.00 pm and on a Sunday at 11.30am with the livestream.

We worship together when we care for one another.

We worship with the resources of scripture, our prayer book and online resources.

*The church will be open for prayer on the 3 times per week.
The only exception will be Good Friday from 12 noon to 3.00 pm*



Tower Repair Fund

Total amount received
to date
is

£115,500



Family Matters

Baptisms

23 Feb Farrah Florence Lily Cromie

Marriages

06 Mar Ross Frazer & Tammy-Jo Corbett

Burials

07 Mar Margaret Patricia Campbell

16 Mar Ivan Davis O.B.E.



Rector's Corner

These opening paragraphs were written before Covid-19 became the dominating issue in our nation.

I reflect on a weekend (14-16 February) when we had the ceilidh on Valentine's night and such fun as people engaged with the caller for each set dance. People mingled and chatted and valued the opportunity to be together. On the Sunday evening we had cafe

church with the Rev Stephen McElhinney in the hall as over 30 people gathered for worship, studying the theme of evangelism together, praying, sharing and having a cup of tea.

Eight parishioners and John Pickering and myself journeyed over 5 sessions with other Christians in our city looking at evangelism. Some have reflected on this time together but it all came together on the final night which we organised ourselves as we shared about the course, what churches were doing together and prayed for the 5 people who are on our hearts to know Jesus as Lord. We valued the input from Tim Houston from Crown Jesus Ministries and the resources made available to us.

Coronavirus and Covid-19

This virus has arrived in our nation and as I write these notes, things are changing fast. We held our services on the 15th March but our guest speaker, Donna Jennings decided not to come in the light of our changing situation and yet 120 turned up in the morning as we reflected, pondered, praised, prayed, cared for each other and sought to look at "Loving God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength and Loving our neighbours as ourselves" in these times when we know we will have to draw back from all our connections in church, work and social life.

We read Psalm 91:1-4, 14-16 and then Matthew 22: 34-40.

There are many themes, sermons and illustrations being used at this time. I felt these two readings are relevant at this moment as God is that refuge and fortress to trust, seek and find peace in. The commands from our Lord challenge us and encourage us as well. How do we have a settled "mind" with so much fear, anxiety and uncertainty? Read Philipians 4:4-7.

As churches in Lisburn, we were seeking through "10,000 Lives Lisburn" to have a series of events for outreach through 16 Churches but this will not happen now. However, maybe into the context of isolation and fear, we are being called to be that salt and light in our communities in a greater way, demonstrating the love of Jesus by being a neighbour to those we live

beside. How we speak “hope” is important, when we speak with someone, when we pray and if we pray with someone over the phone. Are we praying on our knees that others may get on their knees and seek the Lord?

Some helpful scriptures are:

Psalms 23, 46, 91, 103, 121
Matthew 6: 25-34
Philippians 4: 4-9
Romans 12: 9-21
2 Corinthians 4: 7-12
1 Peter 5: 6-7
Proverbs 14: 30
Deuteronomy 31: 8

How do we respond? A few thoughts:

1. Bless the Lord of Creation and who loves us (Psalm 103:1-5).
2. Pray for the recovery of those getting the virus.
3. Pray for Christ’s comfort for families who have lost a loved one with the virus.
4. Parishioners who are sick and facing their own health issues as well as those who have faced a bereavement.
5. Pray that a vaccine can be discovered and for protection on the health workers on the frontline.
6. For our political leaders and all involved in policy making in our health care, education and business life, for a spirit of wisdom to help all.
7. The Contact magazine is available online if you go to our parish website.
8. Remember our brothers and sisters in Christ in Luweero Diocese Uganda, Mantana Diocese in Burundi and Yei Diocese in South Sudan and Bishops Eridard, Seth and Hilary.
9. People will not be able to meet and will get isolated. How do we love our neighbour? Keep in touch by phone or even knock on their window to let them know you care. The Foodbank need items of tinned meat and fish, coffee and shampoo. Leave them in the office or at the rectory. The Foodbank may need volunteers, so let me know if you could help. We’ve produced a leaflet “Loving your neighbour” that can be shared with a neighbour and will be distributed in the areas close to the church. We have checked with the Simon Community regarding the soup and pizza run and they prefer pizzas but will take

soup. You can drop the items off during daytime at the Simon Community.

10. Don't panic buy. Shop sensibly. Buy for a family member, friend or neighbour.
11. Take time to pray into the situation for the reign of Jesus to dispel "fears and anxieties," to read scripture, a good devotional book with a Christian theme. Daily readings are printed for the next 3 months. Maybe we could use set times in our homes to pray the reign of Jesus into this situation. I encourage parishioners to pray at 8.00am and 8.00pm for 10 minutes wherever they are to build a bond of prayer and unity. We can use set prayers in our Prayer Book which are also on the Church of Ireland website as well as the Daily Prayer App. Use the Collect for each week. There is the Daily Prayer Guide we have produced over the last few years for guided prayer requests and thanksgivings. Daily prayers are on Pages 139-144. You could use Morning or Evening Prayer, the Late Evening Office (pages 162-164) or The Litany (pages 170-178).
12. You could use songs and hymns on a CD or on You Tube. We print scripture readings for each day in the Contact magazine. Derek has pointed people to resources, online web pages etc for worship, services and devotional material. There is Sounds Sacred with Richard Yarr on Sunday at 5.00 pm on Radio Ulster. You could listen to Premier Radio as well.
13. As for the church gathering together on a Sunday, the communication from Archdeacon George Davison, Bishop Designate on the 17th March gives guidelines that Sunday worship is cancelled but we can open the church for private prayer and this will be staffed by the clergy. I'm suggesting the following:

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| Tuesday | 10.00 am - 12 Noon |
| Thursday | 7.00 pm - 9.00 pm |
| Sunday | 9.30 am - 11.00 am |

People can drop in at any time but must adhere to the guidelines in terms of personal hygiene and social distancing.

On a positive note, we have set up a live stream on You Tube and we will do this each Sunday at 11.30 am and the link is:-

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCN_O8Cd3VoscexrwCxbGRSQ/live

13. Pastorally, we will be restricted as staff to visit in hospitals, in homes and nursing homes. We will endeavour to keep in touch by phone with individuals or their families but please ring or text if you want to inform us of their situation and we can pray over the phone as well for them. Prayer Requests can be sent to the clergy, parish office or Wesley Dickinson. Our numbers are in the magazine.

14. Funerals, baptisms and weddings will have to be negotiated within the guidelines and this may be with a very small number of family members as well as private but I will work with families in accordance with the guidelines.

This virus is unprecedented in the life of our nation, but we seek to bring light, hope, love, strength and peace. Care for one another. Pray for one another. Pray.

Please pray for our Bishop-designate, Archdeacon George Davison as he prepares for his consecration on Friday, 1st May. This service will be small but very significant for George in his life of faith and as he leads us at this time. May the Lord anoint him powerfully and with wisdom and grace.

A final prayer at this time in our lives and world:

“Lighten our darkness, O Lord, we pray and in your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of the night (time); for the love of your only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.”
(Evening Collect)

Blessings in the name of Christ
Paul

Easter Gate

Jesus came to show us how
To live and love on earth,
right now.
Then he died to erase our sin,
So the pearly gates would let us in.

Raised from death, Jesus is our
guide
Through our own death to the other
side.

Believe in Jesus, and you'll be
Written in the book of eternity.

Easter means, in heaven, life,
Free from sadness, free from strife.
If your name is in God's journal,
You're assured of life eternal.

By Joanna Fuchs

Easter

Jesus had no servants,
yet they called Him Master.
Had no degree,
yet they called Him Teacher.
Had no medicines,
yet they called Him Healer.
Had no army,
yet kings feared Him.

He won no military battles,
yet He conquered the world.
He committed no crime,
yet they crucified Him.
He was buried in a tomb,
yet He lives today.

Freewill Offering and Tower Repair Fund

As a result of the suspension of normal Sunday services, some parishioners have asked how they can continue to contribute to Church funds.

An alternative to using envelopes, is to make payments direct to the Church Bank Accounts and this can be done by setting up a Standing Order through your Bank or transfer monies by direct transfer through online banking. Standing Order Mandate Forms for Freewill Offering and Tower Repair Fund are near the back of this magazine which you can cut out, complete and take to your Bank.

We detail below Sort Code and Account Numbers for Freewill Offering and the Tower Repair Fund.

Please also quote your surname and Freewill Offering Number as a reference. This number can be found on your weekly envelope.

| | Freewill Offering Bank Account details | Tower Repair Fund Bank Account details |
|-----------------------|---|---|
| Sort Code | 950361 | 950361 |
| Account Number | 10181781 | 01063774 |
| Reference | Surname & FWO Number | Surname & FWO Number |

As the Church will be opened for a few hours each week, perhaps you would consider making use of the basket provided for your envelopes.

We thank you for your support in the past.

The Church will be there for you.

You are the Church.

Your support of the Church is valued.

Garth Anderson (Honorary Secretary)
Jonathan Leathem (Honorary Treasurer)

Diocese Of Connor

Ministry and worship in the light of new UK government advice on COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

Advice to clergy, lay readers and parishes St Patrick's Day, 2020

Dear Colleagues and friends in the Diocese of Connor,

As Christian people, we are a community that worships together. It is who we are and it is what we do. We will continue to be a people who worship together and in the challenging situation that we now find ourselves, I do not want us ever to lose sight of that! I am mindful of the injunction in the letter to the Hebrews - "Let us not neglect meeting together..." However, we are currently faced with the reality of a pandemic virus which is going to make us have to rethink the way that we worship, at least for a little time. Yesterday, the UK government issued new advice to its citizens regarding the necessary precautions that we need to observe in order that we may minimise the impact of the COVID-19 virus to our communities and families. In a response to a specific question in the House of Commons about how this guidance would impact on churches and religious groups, the Health Secretary, Matt Hancock confirmed that with regret the government had to include religious communities within the scope of their guidance on avoidable social gatherings. I have consulted with the Connor archdeacons, with the bishops/commissaries of the other dioceses in the Church of Ireland's northern province and have received feedback too from other Christian denominations. We all feel that this is the time for significant action. As a result, in conjunction with what other church leaders are also doing today, I am writing to you with the following recommendations for parishes in Connor diocese.

1. Parishes should suspend the normal services of public worship until such times as the government restrictions on public gatherings are lifted. This includes Sunday and midweek services. Instead, I would urge clergy and parishioners to work together to enable churches to be open as places of prayer for parishioners and the community alike. This will require measures to be put in place to enable adequate social distancing when people are using the building, good hygiene practices and regular cleansing of the building and surfaces.

2. Creative ways should be considered in order to assist parishioners continue in worship. If your church has a website, or Facebook page, consider providing short acts of worship, Bible teaching, etc online. You don't need to be a master of technology to do this. It is remarkably easy to stream a service on your church's Facebook page using no more complicated equipment than a smartphone! Encourage parishioners to discover the resource of their prayer books in a new way or point them to the online resources available on the Church of Ireland website, or other online resources that you use. Do remember that not every parishioner will have access online or the skills to use online resources. Consider producing or distributing prayer resources to encourage people in daily prayer.

3. Other parish meetings and organisations should also be suspended with immediate effect. This advice now includes the Easter General Vestry meeting. Although it might be possible to organise a meeting observing the appropriate precautions, the new government guidance would mean that a section of the church community would be disenfranchised. At this point it seems unlikely that we will be able to properly convene EGV meetings within the time limits set by the constitution, but it seems unlikely that the Charity Commission will be unsympathetic in the current situation and current office holders and trustees should continue in post until such time as it is feasible to hold a General Vestry meeting. The Assessor of the General Synod is being consulted on the detail of this and further information will be given when it is available. Select Vestry meetings should also be suspended until further notice. Essential business should be conducted by email circulation or other electronic means.

4. Funerals will need to be smaller gatherings than normal. This will obviously need to be handled sensitively and in close co-operation with the funeral director, but the principles should be a brief, dignified service conducted with due regard for the needs of the family, but also for the guidelines on public gatherings. Try to encourage immediate family only to attend - offer a service of thanksgiving for the wider community at a later date when restrictions are lifted; It may help if times and details of funeral services are not published in funeral notices - meaning that casual attendance of additional mourners is made less likely; Handshaking and other physical contact with and amongst mourners should be avoided. Catering after funerals should not be offered in church halls at this time.

5. Weddings - It may be possible to proceed with a marriage service in church, again providing it complies with the recommendations of the

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health authorities. This may require significant changes to a couple's plans, and it may be that they will prefer to rearrange a new date. Anecdotal evidence over the last day or two would indicate that reception venues may be raising this issue with couples and in some cases weddings have been postponed.

6. Confirmation Services - All confirmation services in the diocese of Connor have now been postponed.

7. Home Communion & Pastoral visiting - All Home Communion and routine pastoral visiting should cease from 17th March 2020 until further notice. Instead Clergy and/or Pastoral Visitors should contact those needing pastoral care in parishes by telephoning them. The hospital chaplains are no longer permitted to carry out hospital visits unless expressly invited to do so by hospital staff. Clergy who are asked to visit parishioners in hospital or residential care should only do so if permitted by the hospital/residential facility and with the consent of the individual's family. Hygiene and physical distancing measures must be observed.

8. Support for the Self-isolated - Develop a plan for your parish to provide help and support for those who will need to self-isolate in the days and weeks ahead. As I suggested last week, parishes could be a hub for co-ordinating practical care such as collecting groceries or other essential supplies for those who do not have family able to assist them, etc. Contact local food banks to see if they need additional support or help. Encourage parishioners to think about the people who normally sit beside them in church and their neighbours. Whilst calling to visit people in their homes is not recommended, if everyone reaches out with telephone calls to a few people it will help to reduce loneliness in these challenging times and help make sure that help can be provided where it is needed.

9. Diocesan Events - The Connor Diocesan Synod which was scheduled for 25 June 2020 will now be postponed. A date for the meeting will be circulated in due course. Consecration of Bishop of Connor - The Archbishop-elect has confirmed that the consecration service will take place on the feast of St Philip & St James - 1 May 2020. However, this will now essentially be a private service with a very limited congregation. It is intended that the installation/enthronement services (which will be held once the current restrictions have been lifted) will provide an

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opportunity for us to gather for a diocesan celebration.

10. Clergy, Lay Readers and Volunteers – The health and well-being of those in leadership in the parish, together with volunteers is of key importance, both for their own protection and for the good of those they serve. Those with underlying health conditions, and those over 70 years of age should adhere to government guidance concerning self-isolation, as of course, should those who develop symptoms of the virus. Clergy are asked to communicate and work with neighbouring clergy/ rural deans to co-ordinate continuing pastoral care in parishes across the diocese. A generosity of spirit and willingness to help each other out will ensure that we are able to support one another through this time.

11. Diocesan Office - Arrangements for the operation of the Diocesan Office will be finalised in the next few days and will be notified to you shortly.

As Christian people in the parishes of Connor diocese, with our neighbours, we face real challenges at the moment. Please remember that whilst so much that is familiar is changing around us at the moment, God's love for us is constant and Christ is still Lord. In these times of challenge we turn to Him afresh, in different patterns perhaps, but if we draw deeply on the resources of the Holy Spirit we will be able to not only come through this challenge intact, but stronger in our relationship with Jesus Christ and with one another.

Please know that you are in my prayers - and remember me in yours!

With love in Him,

George

George Davison
Bishop-designate

Easter Worship

Alleluia! Christ is risen:

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:

He has given us new life and hope. He has raised Jesus from the dead.

Alleluia! Christ is risen:

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Confession:

Lord God, you raised your Son from the dead:

Lord, have mercy: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, through you we are more than conquerors:

Christ, have mercy: **Christ, have mercy.**

Holy Spirit, you help us in our weakness:

Lord, have mercy: **Lord, have mercy.**

-Silence to be reassured of the Lord's pardon, forgiveness and grace in the light of his death and glorious resurrection.

Easter Collect: **Almighty God, through your only begotten Son Jesus Christ, you have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.**

Listening to the Word of God:

Reading 1: Jeremiah 31: 1-6

Silence

Reading 2: John 20: 1-18

Silence

Reading 3: 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11

Silence – take time to think through the significance of Christ's resurrection then and for you now – life, hope, death, suffering and joy.

Affirmation of Faith: **Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures; He was buried; He was raised to life on the third day in accordance with the scriptures; Afterwards he appeared to his followers and to all the apostles; This we have received and this we believe. Amen.**

Intercessions:

- ◆ Rejoice in the joy that God raised Jesus from the dead and defeated evil and death
- ◆ Pray for Christian believers in Burundi, South Sudan and Uganda
- ◆ Pray for our health workers and emergency services
- ◆ Those who grieve and those who are ill, sick, self-isolating and fearful – name them before the Lord
- ◆ For the peace of the risen Lord Jesus to be present in our lives and families
- ◆ For the witness of the Church in being a good neighbour in loving others.

Finish with the Lord's Prayer

Blessing:

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight: and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit rest upon you and those whom you love, this day and forevermore. Amen

To keep the kids entertained

Try these websites:-

Sermons4kids Plus
bibleappforkids.com
childrensministry.com

Try the Ripple website on Connor Diocese

For the Daily Worship App, go to

<https://www.ireland.anglican.org/prayer-worship/lectionary/daily-worship-app>

For the Twitter feed: <https://twitter.com/churchofireland>

**Readings for this period of time from
Rev John Pickering**

Mark 4: 39-41

Romans 8: 38-39

Psalm 139: 11-12

“Diminish fear and demonstrate faith.” - *Archbishop J Welby*

Spiritual Sustenance for the Soul

*The LORD is good to those who wait for Him,
to the person who seeks Him.
(Lamentations 3:25)*

In these uncertain times where fear surrounds us, let us as the people of God remember that the One in whom we trust is forever faithful, our Unchanging Heavenly Father who loves us, full of grace and truth. For if we let it, fear can quickly erode our faith. After all, “man cannot live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.” Therefore, let us turn to Christ our Saviour for the sustenance our souls need. Only He can sustain us.

And so at this time we remind ourselves of our Christian calling to ground ourselves in the truth of God’s **word**, to dedicate our whole lives to the **worship** of Almighty God, and to bear **witness** in our lives to God’s gift of salvation in Jesus Christ our Lord...

WORD

With that in mind, here are some passages from Scripture that remind us to call out to God with both praise and petition:

| <u>Praise</u> | <u>Petition</u> |
|---|---|
| Psalms 150, 145, 1, 34, 75 Isaiah 25, 26 Romans 11: 33–12:2 Ephesians 3: 1–14 Colossians 3: 15–17 | Psalms 22, 27, 61, 71 Isaiah 43 John 14 2 Corinthians 12: 1–10 Hebrews 4: 12–16 |

BIOY: Bible in One Year

These are daily devotions written by Nicky Gumbel taking you through the entire Bible in one year, and are available to download in App form on both Apple and Android, and also available online here:

<https://www.bibleinoneyear.org/bioy>

WORSHIP

There are plenty of good online resources that may also be of use to help each of us use this time that we have been gifted wisely in connecting to and learning from God. The following are just some that I have picked out:

24/7 Prayer

Lots of prayer resources are available on their website, including a 60-minute prayer guide for this current time of crisis with Covid-19, as well as a Virtual Prayer Room at time of Coronavirus which you can sign up to for 1-hour slots, available at:

<https://www.24-7prayer.com/coronavirusprayer>

YouTube

A quick search on YouTube for Christian Hymns or Worship music will bring up a whole raft of song playlists to listen to. A sample playlist is below after searching for “Christian Hymns with Lyrics”

<https://youtu.be/lGLVPtOYRgM>

Lifting the Lid is a six week Bible study course focused on faith and mental health, available for free download at the link below:

<https://livability.org.uk/resources/lifting-the-lid/>

Ligonier Ministries

Ligonier Ministries (founded by R. C. Sproul) have made all their Bible teaching content free until at least June 2020. Their site has plenty of materials ranging from devotionals to courses on books of the Bible and various theological topics. Well worth a look at the links below:

<https://www.ligonier.org/learn/devotionals/>

<https://www.ligonier.org/learn/series/>

Amazon Music/ Deezer/ Spotify

For those of you who have subscriptions to any of the above, there are similarly many Christian playlists available. There are even Christian Worship stations available on Amazon Music:

Amazon Music: <https://www.amazon.co.uk/music/prime>

Deezer: <https://www.deezer.com/en/>

Spotify: <https://www.spotify.com/uk/>

WITNESS

For each of us, these times present various challenges according to our circumstances, but in a world gripped with fear and panic may we be a people of compassion and hope. Someone this week shared the following quote from A. W. Tozer, and I feel it is very apt in these days:

“A scared world needs a fearless church.”

May we seek God’s presence and power each and every day like never before so that we can witness before others Christ’s love and peace at

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work in us through kind and compassionate acts toward our neighbours who may be in particular need at this time.

At times like this, what we choose to focus on and give our attention to can make a huge difference in our lives in terms of the peace that we experience.

As someone on my Facebook feed wrote this week:

What you meditate on you magnify.

What you focus on you feed.

If you're feeling fearful at this time, talk to someone, ask for prayer, call Paul, John or myself on the phone, starve the fear any way you can. Take a break from scrolling social media and spend time in God's Word and reflect on His promises.

Finally, here is a prayer for this time written by Cameron Bellm:

May we who are merely inconvenienced
Remember those whose lives are at stake.
May we who have no risk factors
Remember those most vulnerable.
May we who have the luxury of working from home
Remember those who must choose between preserving their
health or making their rent.
May we who have the flexibility to care for our children when
their schools close
Remember those who have no options.
May we who have to cancel our trips
Remember those that have no safe place to go.
May we who are losing our margin money in the tumult of the
economic market
Remember those who have no margin at all.
May we who settle in for a quarantine at home
Remember those who have no home.
As fear grips our country,
let us choose love.
During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms
around each other,
Let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our
neighbours.
Amen.

Derek

Easter Hymns

Well-known Easter hymns but they have had their words jumbled up. Can you work out what they are?

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| 1. lla oyrlg audl adn orouhn | 11. i oknw taht ym rdemreee |
| 2. lla nveaeh arlsdcee | eilsv |
| 3. nda acn ti eb | 12. amke wya, amek awy |
| 4. eb lstli nda nkwo hatt i ma ogd | 13. onrmnig ahs eonkrb |
| 5. eb tllsi fro teh erscnepe fo eht rdol | 14. deri no, ider no ni mateysj |
| 6. earebht no em tabahr fo gdo | 15. Kroc fo gsac |
| 7. hrsict het rlod si eisnr ydaot | 16. eth dol rgdeug srcos |
| 8. ofmr anehev ouy acme | 17. heter si a negre illh raf |
| 9. eh si rdol | awy |
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20. When I survey the wondrous cross
 19. Were you there
 18. Thine be the glory
 17. There is a green hill far away
 16. The old rugged cross
 15. Rock of ages
 14. Ride on, ride on in majesty
 13. Morning has broken
 12. Make way, make way
 11. I know that my redeemer lives
 10. I danced in the morning
 9. He is Lord
 8. From Heaven you came
 7. Christ the Lord is risen today
 6. Breathe on me breath of God
 5. Be still for the presence of the lord
 4. Be still and know that I am God
 3. And can it be
 2. All Heaven Declares
 1. All Glory Laud and Honour

Answers:-

Readings for April, May & June 2020

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|-----------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Wed, 1st Apr | Psalm 55 | Daniel 3: 14-28 | John 8: 31-42 |
| Thurs, 2nd Apr | Psalm 105: 4-9 | Gen 17: 3-9 | John 8: 51-59 |
| Fri, 3rd Apr | Psalm 18: 1-6 | Jer 20: 10-13 | John 10: 31-42 |
| Sat, 4th Apr | Psalm 121 | Ezekiel 37: 21-28 | John 11: 45-57 |
| Sun, 5th Apr | Psalm 31: 9-16 | Isaiah 50: 4-9a | Matt 27: 11-54 |
| Mon, 6th Apr | Psalm 36: 5-11 | Isaiah 42: 1-9 | John 12: 1-11 |
| Tues, 7th Apr | Psalm 71: 1-14 | Isaiah 49: 1-7 | John 12: 20-36 |
| Wed, 8th Apr | Psalm 70 | Isaiah 50: 4-9a | John 13: 21-32 |
| Thurs, 9th Apr | Psalm 116: 1, 10-17 | Exodus 12: 1-4, 11-14 | John 13: 1-17, 31b-35 |
| Fri, 10th Apr | Psalm 22 | Isaiah 52: 13-53:12 | John 18: 1-19, 42 |
| Sat 11th Apr | Psalm 31: 1-4, 15-16 | Job 14: 1-14 | Matt 27: 57-66 |
| Sun, 12th Apr | Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-26 | Jer 31: 1-6 | John 20: 1-18 |
| Mon, 13th Apr | Psalm 16: 1-2, 6-10 | Exodus 12: 14-27 | Matt 28: 8-15 |
| Tues, 14th Apr | Psalm 33: 4-5, 18-22 | Exodus 12: 28-39 | John 20: 11-18 |
| Wed 15th Apr | Psalm 105: 1-9 | Exodus 12: 40-51 | Luke 24: 13-35 |
| Thurs, 16th Apr | Psalm 8 | Exodus 13: 1-16 | Luke 24: 35-48 |
| Fri 17th Apr | Psalm 118: 1-4, 22-26 | Exodus 13: 17-14: 4 | John 21: 1-14 |
| Sat, 18th Apr | Psalm 118: 1-4, 14-21 | Exodus 14: 5-22 | Mark 16: 9-15 |
| Sun, 19th Apr | Psalm 16 | Gen 8: 6-16, 9: 8-16 | John 20: 19-31 |
| Mon, 20th Apr | Psalm 2: 1-9 | Exodus 14: 21-31 | John 3: 1-8 |
| Tues, 21st Apr | Psalm 93 | Exodus 15: 1-21 | John 3: 7-15 |
| Wed, 22nd Apr | Psalm 34: 1-8 | Exodus 15: 22-16: 10 | John 3: 16-21 |
| Thurs, 23rd Apr | Psalm 34: 1, 15-22 | Exodus 16: 10-22 | John 3: 31-36 |
| Fri, 24th Apr | Psalm 27: 1-5, 16-17 | Exodus 16: 23-36 | John 6: 1-15 |
| Sat, 25th Apr | Psalm 119: 9-16 | Isaiah 62: 6-10 | Mark 13: 5-13 |
| Sun, 26th Apr | Psalm 116: 1-3, 10-17 | Isaiah 43: 1-12 | Luke 24: 13-25 |
| Mon, 27th Apr | Psalm 119: 17-24 | Exodus 18: 1-27 | John 6: 22-29 |
| Tues, 28th Apr | Psalm 31: 1-5, 16 | Exodus 19: 1-25 | John 6: 30-35 |
| Wed, 29th Apr | Psalm 66: 1-6 | Exodus 20: 1-21 | John 6: 35-40 |
| Thurs, 30th Apr | Psalm 66: 7-8, 14-18 | Exodus 20: 1-18 | John 6: 44-51 |
| Fri, 1st May | Psalm 119: 1-8 | Isaiah 30: 15-21 | John 14: 1-14 |
| Sat, 2nd May | Psalm 116: 10-15 | Exodus 28: 1-5, 30-38 | John 6: 60-69 |
| Sun, 3rd May | Psalm 23 | Nehemiah 9: 6-15 | John 10: 1-10 |
| Mon, 4th May | Psalm 42: 1-2, 43: 1-4 | Exodus 32: 1-20 | John 10: 11-18 |
| Tues 5th May | Psalm 87 | Exodus 32: 21-34 | John 10: 22-30 |
| Wed, 6th May | Psalm 67 | Exodus 33: 1-23 | John 12: 44-50 |
| Thurs, 7th May | Psalm 89: 1-2, 20-26 | Exodus 34: 1-17 | John 13: 16-20 |
| Fri 8th May | Psalm 2 | Exodus 34: 18-35 | John 14: 1-6 |
| Sat, 9th May | Psalm 98: 1-5 | Exodus 40: 18-38 | John 14: 7-14 |
| Sun, 10th May | Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16 | Deut 6: 20-25 | John 14: 1-14 |
| Mon, 11th May | Psalm 118: 1-3, 14-15 | Leviticus 8: 1-13, 30-26 | John 14: 21-26 |
| Tues, 12th May | Psalm 145: 10-22 | Leviticus 16: 1-19 | John 14: 27-31a |
| Wed, 13th May | Psalm 122: 1-5 | Leviticus 16: 20-34 | John 15: 1-8 |
| Thurs, 14th May | Psalm 15 | Isaiah 22: 15-25 | John 15: 9-17 |

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| Fri, 15th May | Psalm 57: 8-12 | Leviticus 19: 26-37 | John 15: 12-17 |
| Sat, 16th May | Psalm 100 | Leviticus 23: 22-44 | John 15: 18-21 |
| Sun, 17th May | Psalm 66: 7-18 | Isaiah 41: 17-20 | John 14: 15-21 |
| Mon, 18th May | Psalm 149: 1-5 | Leviticus 25: 1-17 | John 15: 26-16: 4 |
| Tues, 19th May | Psalm 138 | Leviticus 25: 35-55 | John 16: 5-11 |
| Wed, 20th May | Psalm 143: 1-2, 11-14 | Leviticus 26: 1-42 | John 16: 12-15 |
| Thurs, 21st May | Psalm 43 | Daniel 7: 9-14 | Luke 24: 44-53 |
| Fri, 22nd May | Psalm 47: 1-6 | 1 Sam 2: 1-10 | John 16: 20-23 |
| Sat, 23rd May | Psalm 47: 1-2, 7-10 | Numbers 11: 16-29 | John 16: 23-28 |
| Sun, 24th May | Psalm 68: 1-10, 32-35 | Ezekiel 39: 21-29 | John 17: 1-11 |
| Mon, 25th May | Psalm 68: 1-6 | Joshua 1: 1-9 | John 16: 29-33 |
| Tues, 26th May | Psalm 68: 9-10, 18-19 | 1 Sam 16: 1-13a | John 17: 1-11 |
| Wed, 27th May | Psalm 68: 27-35 | Isaiah 4: 2-6 | John 17: 11-19 |
| Thurs, 28th May | Psalm 16: 1, 5-10 | Zechariah 4: 1-14 | John 17: 20-26 |
| Fri, 29th May | Psalm 103: 1-20 | Jer 31: 27-34 | John 21: 15-19 |
| Sat, 30th May | Psalm 11: 4-8 | Ezekiel 36: 22-27 | John 21: 20-25 |
| Sun, 31st May | Psalm 104: 26-37b | Numbers 11: 24-30 | John 20: 19-23 |
| Mon, 1st Jun | Psalm 113 | Zeph 3: 14-18 | Luke 1: 39-49 |
| Tues, 2nd Jun | Psalm 90: 1-4 10-17 | Eccles 2: 1-26 | Mark 12: 13-17 |
| Wed, 3rd Jun | Psalm 123 | Eccles 3: 1-15 | Mark 12: 18-27 |
| Thurs, 4th Jun | Psalm 25: 3-11 | Eccles 3: 16-4: 3 | Mark 12: 28-34 |
| Fri 5th Jun | Psalm 119: 161-168 | Eccles 5: 1-20 | Mark 12: 35-37 |
| Sat, 6th Jun | Psalm 71: 7-16 | Eccles 6: 1-12 | Mark 12: 38-44 |
| Sun, 7th Jun | Psalm 8 | Gen 1: 1-2:4a | Matt 28: 16-20 |
| Mon, 8th Jun | Psalm 121 | 1 Kings 17: 1-6 | Matt 5: 1-12 |
| Tues, 9th Jun | Psalm 34: 9-15 | Micah 4: 1-15 | John 12: 20-26 |
| Wed, 10th Jun | Psalm 16: 1, 6-10 | 1 Kings 18: 20-39 | Matt 5: 17-19 |
| Thurs, 11th Jun | Psalm 112: 1-9 | Job 29: 11-16 | John 15: 12-17 |
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| Mon, 15th Jun | Psalm 5: 1-5 | 1 Kings 21: 1-16 | Matt 5: 38-42 |
| Tues, 16th Jun | Psalm 51: 1-9 | 1 Kings 21: 17-29 | Matt 5: 43-48 |
| Wed, 17th Jun | Psalm 31: 21-24 | 2 Kings 2: 1, 6-14 | Matt 6: 1-6, 16-18 |
| Thurs, 18th Jun | Psalm 97: 1-8 | Isaiah 63: 7-9 | Matt 6: 7-15 |
| Fri, 19th Jun | Psalm 132: 1-5, 11-13 | 2 Kings 11: 1-20 | Matt 6: 19-23 |
| Sat, 20th Jun | Psalm 89: 25-33 | 2 Chron 24: 17-25 | Matt 6: 24-34 |
| Sun, 21st Jun | Psalm 86: 1-17 | Gen 21: 8-21 | Matt 10: 24-39 |
| Mon, 22nd Jun | Psalm 60: 1-12 | 2 Kings 17: 5-18 | Matt 7: 1-5 |
| Tues, 23rd Jun | Psalm 48: 1-13 | 2 Kings 19: 9-36 | Matt 7: 6-14 |
| Wed, 24th Jun | Psalm 85: 7-13 | Isaiah 40: 1-11 | Luke 1: 57-66, 80 |
| Thurs, 25th Jun | Psalm 79: 1-9, 12 | 2 Kings 24: 8-17 | Matt 27: 21-29 |
| Fri, 26th Jun | Psalm 137: 1-6 | 2 Kings 25: 1-12 | Matt 8: 1-4 |
| Sat, 27th Jun | Psalm 74: 1-3, 21-22 | Lam 2: 2 | Matt 8: 5-17 |
| Sun, 28th Jun | Psalm 13 | Gen 22: 1-14 | Matt 10: 40-42 |
| Mon, 29th Jun | Psalm 125 | Ezek 3: 22-27 | Matt 16: 13-19 |
| Tues, 30th Jun | Psalm 5: 8-14 | Amos 3: 1-8, 4:11-12 | Matt 8: 23-27 |

Prayers in the time of the Coronavirus

Almighty and All-loving God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
we pray to you through Christ the Healer
for those who suffer from the Coronavirus Covid-19
in Ireland and across the world.

We pray too for all who reach out to those who mourn the loss
of each and every person who has died as a result of contracting the
disease.

Give wisdom to policymakers,
skill to healthcare professionals and researchers,
comfort to everyone in distress
and a sense of calm to us all in these days of uncertainty and distress.

This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord
who showed compassion to the outcast,
acceptance to the rejected
and love to those to whom no love was shown.

Amen.

*Archbishop Michael Jackson
Dublin & Glendalough*

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God of the good news that spreads faster than fear,
God of the courage that comes from the heart:
Be with us as anxieties rise and with us as uncertainty grows.
Be with us when children ask difficult questions,
And with us when parents seem farther away.
Remind us that to be a community does not always mean
To be physically present beside those we know well.
It also can mean being spiritually present
With those who feel very alone;
And that you as our God, the God made flesh,
Are also the God who calls us from the tumult
And tells us to be still
And to know that you are God
With us.
Amen

(Prayers in the time of the Coronavirus continued)

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided.

Father, we thank you for your faithful love, which surrounds us at all times. May we witness to that love in all that we say, think and do. Send your Holy Spirit to work amongst us and draw people to yourself.

Lord, for what word, the word of life that fires us.

Gracious God, we thank you that you are a God who speaks to us. You speak comfort to our hearts through your written word, no matter what we are going through; and you speak truth and grace to our lives, through Christ the Living Word. Speak afresh to us today.

Lord, for our Land, in this our generation.

High King of Heaven, have mercy on our land. Revive your Church; send the Holy Spirit for the sake of the Children. We pray for all who are currently affected by Covid-19 and ask that your healing hand may rest upon them.

Lord, for our World, when we disown and doubt him.

Almighty God, in this time of world-wide need, we confess that often you are far from our minds as fear sets in. Help us to cast our anxieties and cares onto you, because you care for us. Grant all policy makers, researches, and leaders wisdom and insight, and each one of us a sense of your calming peace.

Lord, for ourselves; in living power remake us.

May we be so bold to ask, in the Mighty Name of the Lord Jesus, that you place a hedge of protection around us and keep us safe from the spread of this virus. May we see your mighty power at work in our lives and community. Grant us a powerful testimony to the same.

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Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

God's love will change your life

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”

As I boy in Sunday School I often remember singing this hymn. “Jesus loves me this I know, for The Bible tells me so.” I am sure that as you read this, those words will resonate in your heart. As Christians, we must remember that when we receive Jesus Christ into our hearts, The Holy Spirit Of God will come and dwell within us. God is love, He is eternal.

If you ever have doubted God's love in your life, you must go before Him and ask Him for help. As you kneel or sit before Him in Prayer, you will immediately sense His presence and His love. I really know that this statement is true because our group witness this every Wednesday evening at Prayer Fellowship.

Jesus said, “A new commandment I give you, that you love one another; as I have loved you.” Jesus loved us so much that He laid down His life for us. We don't have to die for others, but we can lay down our life in other ways.

The Bible says that if we don't have love in our heart for others, we have nothing, and whatever good we think we do, we will not benefit from it.

“Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but not have love, I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal and though I have all faith, so that I could move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing.”

God truly wants to fill your heart with His love so that you can extend it to others. The more you receive the Love Of God, the more it flows through you to others. In fact, our love for other people is the most compelling sign for all to an unbeliever.

Don't just receive the idea that God loves you in your mind. Get it imbedded in your heart. Say, “Jesus loves me, this I know, for The Bible tells me so.” Invite God's presence, this is the presence of pure unconditional love. Whenever you are feeling discouraged, all you have to do is go before God and thank Him for His love. Thank Him that He died for you, and now you will live forever with Him. If that isn't love, I don't know what is.

*Wesley Dickinson
(Prayer Fellowship)*

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Heavenly Humour

In his Sunday sermon, the minister used "Forgive Your Enemies" as his subject. After the sermon, he asked how many were willing to forgive their enemies. About half held up their hands.

Not satisfied, he harangued the congregation for another twenty minutes and repeated his question. This received a response of eighty percent. Still unsatisfied, he lectured for fifteen more minutes and repeated his question. All responded except one elderly gentleman at the back of the church.

"Mr. Jones, are you not willing to forgive your enemies?"

"I don't have any."

"Mr. Jones, that is very unusual. How old are you?"

"One hundred and one."

"Mr. Jones, please come to the front of the church and tell the congregation how a man can live to be one hundred and one and not have an enemy in the world."

The old man teetered down the aisle, slowly turned to face the congregation, smiled and said, "I outlived every one of them!"

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A preacher giving a long-winded sermon finally says: "I'm sorry I talked so long. I left my watch at home."

A voice from the congregation says: "There's a calendar behind you."

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A Sunday school teacher asked her little children as they were on the way to church service, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?"

One bright little girl replied, "Because people are sleeping."

Acorn Club

The Acorn Club held their annual Daffodil Tea on Thursday, 12th March. The Rev John Pickering opened in prayer and we then enjoyed afternoon tea followed by entertainment from Eric Crangle and his band. We enjoyed the music, a lot of old favourites plus some gospel songs. Our charity this year is Air Ambulance NI so thank you to all for your donations and we have forwarded a cheque to the Air Ambulance in the sum of **£175.00**. Thank you to Eric and the band for making the afternoon such a success.

The Rev Pickering closed the meeting with prayer and thanks. Thanks also to Valerie, Myrtle, Rosemary, Jennifer and Kathleen for all their help with the catering etc and Florence for keeping track of our finance.

The Maundy Thursday meeting on 9th April has been cancelled and the Summer Outing on 14th May has also been cancelled.

Thank you to all who came to the Acorn Club and supported us during the year. Blessings to all.

Margaret Little

A Prayer

Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me,
Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ when I lie down,
Christ when I sit down, Christ when I arise,
Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me.

I arise today through a mighty strength, the invocation of the Trinity,
through belief in the Threeness, through confession of the Oneness
of the Creator of creation.

(Part of St Patrick's breastplate)

Listen to the Almighty

As most of you know, all Hebrew names have their meaning eg, take our three Clergy.

Paul meaning small or humble
John meaning God is gracious
Derek meaning gifted ruler

Well, a few weeks ago, I came across an article on the subject of the lineage from Adam to Noah in Genesis 5. It read:

Adam meaning *Man*
Seth meaning *Appointed*
Enosh meaning *Mortal*
Kenan meaning *Sorrow*
Mahalalel meaning *The blessed God*
Jared meaning *Shall come down*
Enoch meaning *Teaching*
Methuselah meaning *His death shall bring*
Lamech meaning *The despairing*
Noah meaning *Comfort and rest*

What's so interesting about that you ask yourself. That is until you put the names in the same order as listed in the Bible and you find this amazing message from God himself. Using the meaning of their names and put into a sentence, you will find this wonderful revelation. It reads as follows!

Man appointed mortal sorrow. The blessed God shall come down teaching. His death shall bring the despairing comfort and rest.

Alex Henderson



Bible Verse of the Month

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace
as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with
hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13

Mothers' UNION

Christian care for families



Valentine's Night Ceilidh



Feet tapping, hands clapping, was the order of the night. The hall was packed, young and not so young dancing to the music of the Alastair Scott Ceilidh Band. There was lots of fun and laughter with some dancers not knowing their right from their left. I'm sure there were a few bruised ankles and aching joints on Saturday morning.



*(Mothers' Union Valentine's Night
Ceilidh continued)*



A big thank you to all who contributed in anyway, selling tickets, providing the supper and especially those who came and made it a very successful evening. A total sum of **£720** was raised.

Ann Elliott



The 10,000 Lives Project

On Tuesday, 28th January, a group from Christ Church embarked on the 10,000 Lives Project Course. May I say that the course was well attended as we linked together with many other Churches in the City of Lisburn. The course lasted 4 weeks and consisted of 4 themes. What is Evangelism? Why share your story? Apologetics, and Putting momentum into evangelism.

It's difficult to put down on paper all that we learnt and heard. The opening verse at the start of the course just captivated why we were there.

John Chapter 20 verse 21 - "Peace be with you, as The Father has sent Me, I am sending you." And with that He breathed on them and said, "Receive The Holy Spirit."

I note below some of the main aspects of the course: -

We need at times to re-evangelise ourselves as we realise the importance of Jesus sending us out. If God is for us, who can be against us. We must always remember that as we go, we speak in The Name Of The Holy Spirit. God's approval is all that we need. God has desired us that we do it, so we are given wisdom on tap. We are to go because The Authority Of Jesus Christ dwells in us. Only The Holy Spirit can do this in you.

One of the highlights was the fact that we had to write down the names of 5 people who were close to our hearts, and to whom we were praying for, so that they would draw closer to Christ and accept Him as their personal Saviour. We then had to go forward one by one and attach the piece of paper to a large Cross on the wall. It truly was a special God moment as our leaders Prayed over it.

In closing, may I say that I found week 3 very challenging as we studied Apologetics.

As we engage with others, we must prepare ourselves to answer all questions thrown at us by those who question our Faith. Our speaker, Tim, explained that Apologetics is a bridge that connects us to be able to explain to others. The aim is not to win the argument. The aim is to get them to understand it better so that some day they will see The Face Of God. Our speech is the only weapon we carry. May The Lord Bless each one of us as we go in His Name.

Wesley Dickinson

Evangelism Lite Training

It was a real blessing to attend the Evangelism Lite Training. Among the many things I learned the uppermost, was the urgency of reaching people with the Gospel.

Forgetting about my fears, I must approach people who do not know Jesus, in a neutral way, making the Message simple. After all, we have the most wonderful information to give them!

By God's grace, I intend putting this into practice.

Isabel Porter

Scripture Cookies

Look up each verse to find out which ingredients you will need to make your cookies

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| 1/2 cup | (Psalm 55:21) |
| 1/2 cup | (Psalm 119: 103) |
| 1 | (Isaiah 10: 14) |
| 2 tsp | (Ephesians 5:2) |
| 1 cup | (Matthew 13: 33) |
| 1/2 tsp | (Matthew 5: 13) |
| 1/2 tsp | (Galatians 5:9) baking soda substitute |
| 1 tsp | (Proverbs 7: 17) |
| 3/4 cup | (1 Chronicles 12: 40) |
| 2 cups | (Mark 4: 7) oatmeal as a grain |



1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit
2. Beat the butter and honey for one minute.
3. Add egg and vanilla and beat on medium for another minute.
4. In a separate bowl, mix flour, oats, baking soda, salt and cinnamon.
5. Slowly add the dry ingredients to the wet ingredients.
6. Stir in raisins and drop by spoonfuls on a cookie sheet.
7. Bake for 12-14 minutes.
8. Cool and enjoy.

Sunday 1st March with Mitch from Crown Jesus Ministries



Thank you to all parishioners who have left in the main church porch items for Lisburn Foodbank recently. Lisburn Foodbank would appreciate donations of the following items:

Coffee



Shampoo

Tinned Meat



Tinned Fish



*Please leave items at the Parish Office
or the Rectory*



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Above: Prayer gathering at Lisburn City Church

Below: Clergy at prayer gathering at Lisburn City Church



Christ Church Sunday Services

Holy Communion

1st Sunday 8.30 am

2nd Sunday 11.30 am

4th Sunday 6.30 pm

Morning Prayer

11.30 am

Evening Prayer

6.30 pm

All Age Worship

2nd Sunday 10.15 am

Cancelled until further notice but see page 2 for arrangements

Marriage & Holy Baptism

By arrangement with the Rector

Sunday School (KLIC)

2nd Sunday Attend All Age Service

1st, 3rd, 4th & 5th Sunday 10.15 am

Cancelled until further notice

Junior Church operates during Morning Worship for all primary aged children

Note From The Editor

Due to the coronavirus, we are not sure when the next issue of the Contact magazine will be published.

Parish Office Opening Hours

Mon - Tues 9.00 am - 3.00 pm
Wed - Thurs 9.00 am - 12.00 noon
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Cancelled until further notice

Tuesday Coffee Rota

Co-Ordinator: Ann Robinson - Tel 07901236346

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Flower Rota

Cancelled until further notice

Junior Church Rota

Cancelled until further notice

Simon Community Rota

The Simon Community now require pizzas.

If you can provide pizzas, please deliver them to the Simon Community whenever it is suitable to you.

You can provide soup instead.

Welcoming Rota

Cancelled until further notice

Sunday Car Park Rota

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Saturday Car Park Rota

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Christ Church Organisations



Our leaders in our parish groups will keep connected with their members and support each other.

SUNDAY

Sunday School

Mrs Bertha Thompson

c/o Parish Office

Tel: **9267 3271**

2nd Sunday - Church Service

10.15 am

1st, 3rd, 4th, 5th Sunday in Halls

10.15 am



Youth Fellowship

Fortnightly

(Year 8 and upwards)

7.30 pm - 9.00 pm



MONDAY

Indoor Bowls

7.30 pm



Guides

Mrs Elisabeth Dougherty

Tel: **9267 3271**

Senior Section

(10-15 years)

7.30 pm

Rainbow Guides

c/o Parish Office

Tel: **9267 3271**

(4 - 7 years)

6.30 pm – 7.30 pm



TUESDAY

Badminton

Mr Garth Anderson

7.30 pm

Tel: **9243 8971**



Teaching Series

Archdeacon Paul Dundas

7.30 pm



WEDNESDAY

Tots Together

(Parent and Toddler Group) 10 am - 12 noon

Mrs Sylvia Eskins

Tel: **9267 0524**

Craft Club

Mrs Daphne Sloan

10.30 am - 12.30 pm

Prayer Fellowship

Mr Wesley Dickinson

7.30 pm

Tel: **07918672467** or **9262 2021**

Missionary Prayer Fellowship

Mr Wesley Dickinson

Tel: **9262 2021**

(4th Wednesday Monthly)

7.30 pm



WEDNESDAY - continued

Brownies Miss Heather Boyd Tel: 9267 3271
(7-10 years) 6.30 pm

Girls Friendly Society

Mrs Beryl Thompson Tel: 07761824932
Teddy Bears 3-5 years 6.45 pm
Candidates 5-7 years 6.45 pm
Junior Members 7-11 years 6.45 pm
Members 11-15 years 8.00 pm

Walking Group

Mr & Mrs David Henry Tel: 9266 2631
(Meet at Bodean's at the Omniplex for a
walk and a coffee) 7.00 pm



THURSDAY

The Ladybirds (Women's Bible Study Group)

(1st & 3rd Thursday monthly) 10.00 am

Acorn Club (2nd Thursday monthly) 2.30 pm

Mrs Margaret Little Tel: 9267 1119

CLB Mr Tommy Ringland Tel: 9263 8252
(4 - 11 years) 6.45 pm

Choir 7.30 pm
Mrs Gwen Gibson Tel: 9260 1625

Rooted (Young Adult Group) Fortnightly
Rev Derek Harrington Tel: 07729341589



FRIDAY

Mothers' Union Mrs Nola Dundas Tel: 9266 2163
Mrs Valerie Christy Tel: 9268 3590
(2nd Friday Monthly)

Youth Club Mr Philip Doran Tel: 9262 2056



SATURDAY

Hill Walking Club Mr David Bodell Tel: 9266 3317
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