



Wantage
Methodist Church

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Sunday 10th May

Christian Aid

Easter 5

Lectionary: Acts 7:55-60; Psalm 31:1-5,15-16; 1Peter 2:2-10; John 14:1-14

**At the Circuit Zoom Service at 10:30 this week,
Rev Dr Jonathan Hustler will be preaching.
For access, please contact Rev Keith Underhill.**

Text Services for this Sunday are posted on the website.

Keith is posting regular reflections which are posted on the church website and the
Circuit YouTube channel

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBpMj71hDzpMhVj6t_ZQt0w

Each week Wesley's Chapel in London will continue to live-stream worship,
adapted for no physical congregation. Service times are :

Wednesday 12:45 Thursday 12:45 Sunday 9:45 and 11:00.

All these services will be available at:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUAUqhmhevz5sqhh72LIMxA>

More information about all of this can be found at
<https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/worship/singing-the-faith-plus/seasons-and-themes/worship-during-the-coronavirus-pandemic/>

Verse for this week

Proverbs 31:8-9

Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves,
for the rights of all who are destitute.

Speak up and judge fairly: defend the rights of the poor and needy.

Prayer Focus

Pray for : The Circuit Staff and their Families

Give thanks for:

- Christian Aid and all who are working hard to provide for the overwhelming needs at this time.
- Nick Holt's life and remember Sarah, Christian, Lisa and Ben as they grieve,
- Doug White's life and remember Marjorie and Colin as they mourn his passing,
- Pam Rose's life, for her wonderful service to our Church over many years and pray for Kelvin, James, Betty, John and all the family and friends.

Please pray for : Jean M, Bethan Grant, Jane, Alan Bunn and family, Carl, Anne, Carol Mackinder, Emma Wright and family, Alex and Brian, Gordon and Marina, Betty, Caroline, Alastair Wright, Sheila Hall, Sonia, Danielle and Dylan, Gill, Dave and Ben, Grace and Ken Wright, John, Adrian, Mick, Edwina and Simon. John Morton, All at Bullingdon Prison, staff, prisoners and visitors, YMOSES, kids@church and Street Pastors and those members of our church family who, through frailty or ill health, can no longer worship with us.

Sheila Penney With sadness we record that Sheila died in the Sanctuary Care Nursing Home on 7th May. It's seven years since we stopped seeing her with us in church, and she became resident at the Sanctuary. Sheila began worshipping with us as a result of Brenda's support to her following her husband's funeral Service. With her friendly and outgoing Northern personality, she soon joined in lots of church activities, and became an enthusiastic member of Julie's daytime house group which met for several years. Sheila's greatest friendships within our church family were formed with June Crouch, who was widowed at a similar time, and Graham. They were both very faithful friends of Sheila's, visiting and supporting her continuously, and only ceasing when the recent prohibition of visitors to Care Homes occurred. Sheila has two daughters, one of whom, Adrienne, lives locally. We remember Sheila with fond memories, and offer our thoughts and prayers to her daughters and wider family.

Pam Rose With deep sadness we record that Pam died on 23rd April in the Sanctuary Care Nursing Home where she had been resident for the last sixteen months. Kelvin was able to spend some time with Pam during her final hours, having previously visited her every morning and afternoon until the Nursing Home was closed to visitors because of the Coronavirus. We give thanks to God for Pam's life and all that she meant to so many people in our church over very many years, and we offer our prayers and our love to Kelvin and to Pam's sister Betty, brother John, and all of the family,

As we continue to find you new ways of keeping in touch, Keith has launched a new initiative, "**Tea @ Three**".

This is an on-line opportunity to have a chat and a catch up with one another over a cup of tea!

This week it will be on FRIDAY at 3:00pm via Zoom.

So if you'd like to take part and join in, do contact Keith for details of how to log in. You will be welcome whenever you can, (you don't have to commit to every Tuesday), simply have your cuppa ready, biscuits to hand and log in to Zoom and join the tea party!

If you don't drink tea, that doesn't matter at all - everyone is welcome!

Methodist Church launches Dial-a-Prayer - a free phone service

A FREE phone service to hear prayers and news from the Methodist Church has just been launched.

This will be particularly useful for those who do not have internet access, so please do pass this information on to anyone you know who would benefit from this.

To access this, simply ring the numbers below:

Listen to a prayer: 0808 281 2514

Listen to news: 0808 281 2478

The content is updated weekly on Thursday evening.

Little People are seeking:

girl's clothes age 18 to 24 months

Also please see "Little People Requests" at

<https://www.wantagemethodist.org.uk/doc/little-people-requests-D409407.pdf>

If you can help please contact:

Jacky Mattam jackymattam@btinternet.com

FOOD BANK

Many thanks to those who are continuing to support the Food Bank.

They are most grateful for that. Currently there is a need for:

rice tinned meat tinned veg tinned fruit baked beans

The team has asked that for those still doing their own shopping, can they please drop any contributions into the foodbank points in the supermarkets. For the rest of us it is a bit more difficult. Maybe we can be inventive about that one.

There is still a need for money

check the website : <https://www.wantageandgrovefoodbank.org.uk/>

or contact Helen Carter - 07881 504623

Because of the Coronavirus national situation there will be no services or gatherings/meetings at Wantage Methodist Church until further notice.

The buildings are also closed to all external users until the social distancing disciplines are removed.

Notices for next week should reach **Gordon Skidmore**

by 10 pm next **Thursday** please.

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