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“The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” (Luke 24: 13-35)

In the sixties and seventies, a wall hanging that adorned the walls of many homes read:

“Christ is the head of this house
The unseen guest at every meal
The silent listener to every conversation.”

The anonymous verse reminds me of Jesus’ appearance to the two grieving and confused disciples, who were making their way from Jerusalem to Emmaus, where they lived – the lectionary reading for the third Sunday of Easter. Cleopas and his companion were clearly miserable from the events of previous days that had led to Jesus’ death. All hope seemed dead to them and they were clearly at a low point of their faith. Trapped by their doubts, fears, worries, guilt, hurts and confusion, the disciples’ vision, and their understanding were so clouded, that they did not recognise that it was the risen Christ, their Lord and Master, that travelled with them. And so it is with us sometimes, when life paralyses us and leaves us frozen, and we cannot see or feel the presence of our God who promises never to leave us or forsake us.

The journey to Emmaus is both a literal and a spiritual journey. On the one hand it recounts the story of two disciples who, after the crucifixion and resurrection of our Lord, walked seven miles from Jerusalem to their village. On the other hand, it outlines for us the journey that we all take from not recognising Jesus, to understanding what the scripture says about him, to recognising him for who he is, and finally to our giving witness of what we have experienced. This story has always been significant for Christians as a record not only of the experience of two disciples on the way to Emmaus, but of Christians’ experience in every age. Four things stand out in this heart-warming passage:

- Jesus seeks us
- Jesus opens our eyes
- Jesus reveals himself
- Jesus moves us to share

As Jesus draws alongside us on our individual life journeys, let us remember that Jesus seeks us because he loves us. Jesus opens our eyes to enable us to see that he is with us. Jesus reveals himself to us in various ways - through reading and reflecting on scriptures; when we partake of the Lord’s Supper; through nature and in many diverse ways through the power of his Holy Spirit, so that we can trustingly put our hands in his; and Jesus moves us to share the love, comfort and peace he gives us, so that others may experience the risen Christ.

In Oscar Wilde’s deeply moving essay, *De Profundis*, written in his last year in prison and which discussed his spiritual journey through his trials there, he wrote, “Once in his life every man walks with Christ to Emmaus.”

The two disciples’ journey moved from confusion and sorrow to joy and hope as they raced with frantic excitement, back to Jerusalem, to spread the good news of

the risen Christ. The risen Christ had always been with them, as he is always with us.

“Open our eyes, O Christ that we may discern you
in the people we meet,
the meals we share,
the words we read
and the solitude of our own hearts.”

(Richard Harris)

May the joy, hope and peace that the risen Lord gives be ours during this Eastertide.

Easter blessings to you all, Georgina

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SATURDAY 9 MAY

KINGSTON BAGPUIZE WITH SOUTHMOOR VILLAGE HALL, OX13 5BY

10– 3

ATTENDANCE IS FREE

LUNCH PROVIDED

FURTHER DETAILS FROM YOUR MINISTER

Zoe Richardson, Unsplash

Works in the Methodist Modern Art Collection: 6

The Raising of Lazarus 1962

John Reilly (1928-2010)

There is a touch of Stanley Spencer in this particular work by John Reilly. Spencer often painted biblical scenes set in his hometown of Cookham and his *Resurrection, Cookham*, like Reilly's *Raising of Lazarus*, is set in a parish church graveyard. Both works conjure up the belief that resurrection is in the here and now, that the events in Bethany and the Jerusalem garden, are not once and for all but repeated in every place and time, that the victory is an ongoing expression of God's power over darkness and death, and God's love for all people in every age and context.

Reilly's work especially captures the swirling emotions of this near-unique event, there

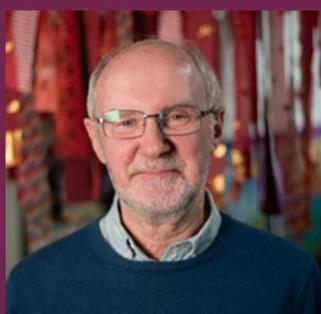


is an inability to see it easily, or to focus upon what is happening before the witnesses and the viewer. The style, a kind of whirlwind or vortex, lifts us from the reality of a grounded, three-dimensional, predictable world where death is death and the finality of it stills the bereaved. But this is not so for the one who sees something in Jesus and his actions that upends the expected order of life and death, instead telling us that all we have believed about death is to be re-thought in the light of the Jesus-event.

Reilly even captures the process of this upending and re-evaluation by depicting Martha and Thomas in two states of being: firstly, prostrate in grief at the head of the grave and then standing upright as the resurrection of Lazarus occurs with both of Martha's arms raised in wonder and one of the arms of Thomas also raised, his right arm still lowered. I find this detail fascinating; we must recall what appears to be the mocking sarcasm of Thomas when it is suggested Jesus, Thomas and the rest of the disciples return to Bethany to be with Martha and Mary. He effectively chides Jesus: 'yes, let's all go back and get ourselves killed by the authorities – great idea.' Yet Reilly includes him in the scene when he could so easily have omitted him in favour of Mary. Later of course it is Thomas who is sceptical about the resurrection of Jesus himself. Is Reilly presenting someone who has witnessed a resurrection but still not convinced that what he saw was repeatable? That Thomas even doubted what he had experienced? 'Blessed are those who have not seen yet believe,' says the resurrected Jesus to the Twin.

Rev Bruce

In Conversation with **Brian Buchan** Deputy Lieutenant Oxfordshire



Brian Buchan DL has been a Deputy Lieutenant for Oxfordshire since 2018. He is part of the Lieutenancy Team focused on Oxford East and, having additionally served as Vice Lord-Lieutenant for five years from 2019, he now chairs the Lieutenancy's Advisory Group, drawing on expertise outside of the Lieutenancy.

Wallingford Methodist Church

Tuesday 21 April

12 noon—1.00pm

Admission free

GROVE

The final session of the **Lent Course** on **Wednesday, 1st April**, is at **10 am** in the Meeting Room at Church. It will be a celebration of Holy Communion and will be led by our minister, Rev. Georgina Bondzi-Simpson. You are invited to come, whether or not you have been part of the Lent course each week.

A space to grow together this Lent

Lent is a season of invitation. It begins on Ash Wednesday and lasts for 40 days (not counting Sundays) before Easter. As the days lengthen and the earth begins to stir, we're invited to loosen our grip on what holds us back – habits, assumptions, fears – and open ourselves to the renewing presence of God. This journey isn't always easy, but it's rich with possibility. And it's better shared with travelling companions.

1st April **Let go of fear, embrace joy** Read **Matthew 26:17-30**
Jesus shares a final meal with his disciples

Good Friday, 3rd April, 11 am. Open Air service at the top of Vale Avenue. To be followed by hot cross buns and hot drinks in our church. All welcome.

Easter Day, 5th April, 10.30 am. Morning worship with Holy Communion led by Rev Katherine Pickering.

Please bring small posies of flowers to decorate the cross if you are able to do so.

Ecumenical "Prayer for Revival" We meet next on **Easter Sunday, 5th April** from 6.30 to 8 pm. You are invited to come and pray with us. All are welcome.

The **April Coffee morning** will be on the **second Saturday, 11th April** from 10 am till 12 noon in the church. Our hosts are Linda and Mark Jones.

Proceeds are for Emmaus, who "pick people up, give them a home, a job and a purpose". We hope you will come along for a chat, tea/coffee and cake.

We look forward to seeing you. *Offers of help with cakes are always appreciated.*

Film Club is on **Friday, 10th April** at 7.30 pm in the Meeting Room.

Please note change of date.

We will be showing "**23 Walks**".

This is a complex, tender and heart-warming comedy drama about finding love later in life. Dave and Fern, two older strangers, have been bruised by their individual circumstances. They meet walking their dogs in a North London park, and over the course of twenty-three walks together the romance begins to blossom. But Dave and Fern haven't been completely honest with one another and their future together may be threatened by the secrets they have withheld.

Cast includes: Dave Johns and Alison Steadman

All are welcome. Admission is free. A small donation helps to cover costs.

Please note that the date for **Film Club in May will be Friday 8th May**

Tuesday Fellowship in March is on **Tuesday, 31st March** at 2.15 pm. You are invited to join us for afternoon tea at the Cornerstone. We look forward to seeing you.

Tuesday Fellowship in April will be on **Tuesday, 28th April** at 2.15 pm.

Details will be in the notices nearer the time. We will be pleased to see you.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Coffee Morning on Saturday, 7th March. A total of £166 was raised for Freyja's Fund. In addition, the sale of cards plus commissions since January has raised a further £139 for the Fund. Judith would like to thank you all for your support.

The date for a Coffee morning on **4th July** is still free. If anyone would like to arrange one on that day please get in touch with Jenny Marriott, 01235 767624.

Craft Group meets at the Cornerstone Coffee Shop on Monday afternoons from 2 to 4 pm. All are welcome. Bring your own craft to do and enjoy a chat and exchange of ideas with other crafters while you work. We each give a donation of £1 to Cornerstone and buy a drink of our choice.

Thank you to all those who generously continue to support the **Foodbank** by putting contributions in the box in the entrance hall week by week. Thank you. All donations are very much appreciated. The need is still great. There is a list above the box of the things that are most useful to them at the moment.

We continue to hold in our prayers all those who are in poor health or have other difficulties and problems. Thank you to everyone who helps in whatever way they are able to. Your prayers and support are very much appreciated.

Date for your diary. Our **Church Anniversary** on **Sunday, 3rd May.**

We plan to have a church lunch, details of which will be in the notices nearer the time. There will be no coffee morning on Saturday, 2nd May – but instead there will be a basket for donations to support Christian Aid at the Church lunch.



EXPLORING  **Explore programme**
May 2026

9 sessions
2 hours per session
1 evening a month
countless benefits

Explore is an opportunity for any member of the Methodist Church in Britain to take a step back, and consider how you are called to respond to God's invitation to church leadership

Taster: Tuesday 14th April 2026 7pm

You can register at any time of year, although the course element starts May or September.
Next course starts 5th May 2026

To book for the whole course, contact Patrick at explore@methodistchurch.org.uk or download forms from www.methodist.org.uk/explore



Holy Week

Monday – Wednesday 7:30 pm – 8 pm Guided Meditations in Chapel

All are welcome. There will be a short time of music, a bible reading, time to reflect, a prayer and some music to finish. If you want to know more then please chat to Jane Kent or Helen Carter.

Wednesday, 1st April 10.00 am

The final session of the **Grove Lent Course** is in the Meeting Room at Grove Church. It will be a celebration of Holy Communion and will be led by our minister, Rev. Georgina Bondzi-Simpson. You are invited to come, whether or not you have been part of the Lent course each week.

Maundy Thursday 2nd April

There will be a service at 7 pm at All Saints, Abingdon and at 7:30 pm at Didcot.

Good Friday, 3rd April

11:00 am. Open Air service at the top of **Vale Avenue, Grove.**

To be followed by hot cross buns and hot drinks in Grove church. All welcome.

11:30 am Wantage Walk of Witness starting at Kingsgrove going to the Market Place for a short service at about 12:30.

2:00 pm Wantage Reflective Service led by Rev Bruce Thompson

Safeguarding

The Methodist Church is committed to safeguarding as an integral part of its life and ministry.

Safeguarding is about the action the Church takes to promote a safer culture.

This means we will:

- promote the welfare of children, young people and adults
- work to prevent abuse from occurring
- seek to protect and respond well to those that have been abused

If you have, or become aware of any concern, you must contact your Church's Safeguarding Officer :-

Grove :

Lynda Culley 07759 085336 or Revd Georgina on 01235 219070

Wantage :

Ken Smith 01235 767545 or Revd Bruce on 01235 813242

You must not speak to others about your concerns or investigate them yourself.

WANTAGE

A Time for Reflection

Please note there will not be a session on Easter Day, 5th April.

Easter Day, 5th April, 10.30 am.

Morning worship with Holy Communion led by Rev Nigel Ogley.

As is our tradition, on Easter Day, we will be changing a bare cross into one that is truly beautiful by covering it with flowers. We invite everyone who is able to bring a flower, or several flowers, with them to church on Easter Day so we can make that transformation. There will be some spare flowers available for those who don't have easy access to flowers.

Local Arrangement - 12th April - 2nd Sunday of Easter

Do you have a **favourite Easter hymn**? Would you like to sing it with others on 12th April? If so, please let Helen Carter (01235 764810) know. We (those putting this act of worship together) can't guarantee to use everyone's hymn on this occasion - there is a limit to the number we can use in one service! However, we suspect several people will choose the same hymn! We will need to know before Easter Day so that we can put together an order of service very quickly. If you would like to share why you have chosen that hymn please let us know that too. Again, we will need to make sure we don't run to a 2 hour act of worship but will try really hard to include as many folk as possible. Additionally, if you have a prayer that you would like said on this occasion, please do let Helen have that too. Thank you very much for being in touch.

Wantage & Abingdon Circuit – GOING FOR GROWTH

A day to explore how our churches may grow spiritually, numerically,
in confidence and in faith

Saturday 9th May 10 am until 3 pm

At Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor Village Hall

Attendance is free. Lunch is provided.

Please contact Carolyn Roche (ciroche48@hotmail.com or 07906518323) if you wish to attend.

Bible Study at Elmbrook Care Home

June Grunwald

In March we looked at the story of the Woman at the Well. It was good to see a few more residents at the care home and we enjoyed chatting to them after the session. Our next session will be held on **Monday, 13th April** when we will be looking at the passage John 20:19-29. Elmbrook Bible Study is held at the care home on Grove Road, on the second Monday of the month at 2.30 pm, lasting between 30 and 45 minutes.

I am thankful for the folk at church who regularly come to the bible study. It makes a great deal of difference to have a few people from church to join in the discussion.

Tuesday Afternoon Prayer and Study Group

Carolyn Roche

This open and friendly group meet for Bible Study and prayer each Tuesday at 2 pm in the Parlour. Please feel free to join us.

During April we will be completing our Life Builder Study on Ephesians – Wholeness for a broken World and then beginning a new study guide.

Dates for April:

7th Week 10 – Honour & Obey Reading: Ephesians 6:1-9

14th There will be no meeting this week.

21st Week 11 – Prayer Wars Reading: Ephesians 6:10-24

28th Study Book to be confirmed.

If you have any queries or someone or a situation you would like us to pray for, you can contact me (Carolyn Roche) by telephone on 07906 518323 or e-mail:

ciroche48@hotmail.com

Kids@church

Jane, Dave, Cath

In March we met on Mothering Sunday and with hidden clues around the church hall discovered all the stories in which Mary, the mother of Jesus, featured. We talked about famous mothers and made up a book about Mary.

In April we will be exploring the resurrection stories. New families always welcome! Dates for the next few months: **April 19th, May 17th.**

Kids@Church is an informal, monthly get-together for children and their families, where we explore a Bible story, engage in an activity and finish with a shared breakfast. New friends always welcome!

(For more information please feel free to give Jane a call /text on 07443 420205)

Caritas Youth Choir

Gill Skidmore

Many thanks to everyone who supported our concert on 14th March, especially to Alison Phillips (who is also our regular invaluable “extra pair of hands” at rehearsals and events) for organising the refreshments, and Margaret Fordham and Jan Abrahall for sterling work in the kitchen. And, of course, to all the volunteers who provided delicious cakes.

We are delighted to say that we raised over £830 for Wantage Methodist Church funds.

If you enjoyed our concert – from the lovely comments we gather that you did! – note **4th July** at 4 pm in your diaries. On this occasion all proceeds will go to **Christian Aid**, the cause for which Sheenagh founded the choir in 2016. This will be the last opportunity to hear the choir unless we find somebody to take over, as Sheenagh and I have decided that it is time to retire. It will be an emotional occasion after ten years working with a succession of wonderful youngsters who just love singing. For this concert we will be joined by some of our former members who have now moved on.

Please pray for:

Adrian, Alison C & family, Alyson, Caroline, Carol Mackinder, Doug & Anne Hatto, Edwina, Eileen, Emma Wright & family, Findley, Mark, Angela & family, Geoff, Gloria Smith, Hannah Morton. Hunter, Jade, Jane Robinson, John & Jo, June G, John Broadbent, Jane & Emma Soffe & family, June Hartle, Ken & Grace Wright, Lucas & family, Marc Hewson's family, Mary Spalding, Meriel, Mick Glover, Norma, Peter, Rachel & her family, Richard, Richard in York, Sharon, Sue, Sonia, Tony G, Trudy, William Chadwick, Vicky, Robin & Becky Legge & all the Legge family.

The community of Wantage Methodist Church as we tackle our financial crisis.

All at Bullingdon Prison, staff, prisoners and visitors.

Our Ministers, Local Preachers & Worship Leaders,

kids@church, Street Pastors, Cornerstone

and those members of our church family

who, through frailty or ill health, can no longer worship with us.

If you have any queries or prayer requests you can contact me (Carolyn Roche) by telephone on 01235 764310 or email: ciroche48@hotmail.com

WMC Prayer WhatsApp group

We have set up a prayer WhatsApp group so that we can share requests for prayers that can't wait until they appear in the weekly notices or the monthly newsletter. Please let Helen Carter know if you would like to be involved in responding to urgent prayer requests. Thank you.

Prayer tree

Anyone can leave a prayer request on the tree. It is appreciated if a date is written on the tag somewhere. Please take time to check the tree and choose someone or a situation to pray for or about. Also, if any of the prayer cards on the table feel relevant to you please do take one.

Home Communion Steward

On Sunday 15th March Carolyn Roche was commissioned as a Home Communion Steward. This means that she will be able to bring bread and wine consecrated during the church celebration of Holy Communion to people in their homes. These are members who through frailty or ill health are no longer able to attend church. If you would like to enquire about this then please contact Carolyn on **07906 518323** or email ciroche48@hotmail.com.

This year we celebrate the most joyful event in our Christian calendar on the first Sunday in April. In the Gospels we read *“and very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb..... but the angel said to the women, do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said.”* Over the last 20 years we have built a wonderful tradition of celebrating Christ’s resurrection by gathering at the Millennium Stones in Ardington at daybreak and sharing in Holy Communion.

We know that it is no longer possible to continue this valued custom, just as we accept several other changes in our church family worship and activities. It is not only because we now have just two Presbyters covering all seven churches in the Circuit. The muddy uphill walk to the Stones has become a challenge for some, and the circle in which we’ve gathered has decreased a little as the group has increased in age quite a lot. So, as this well-loved Easter Day tradition ceases, we give thanks to God for each year of its celebration, and the joy of beginning Easter Day early, and in such a special way

On Sunday 22nd February we acknowledged the death of **Jenny Wymark**, one of our longest serving members, whom we have held in high esteem for all that she has contributed to our church life. Jenny held many responsibilities, including that of Welcome Steward. Such was the warmth of her welcome, especially to newcomers, that Jenny can be credited with bringing many people into our church family.

Hers was not a Sunday only witness – Jenny opened her home to midweek groups such as the early afternoon sessions for Mums and their pre-school children, and the Bible study group. So deep was her determination that everyone should feel welcome, the group was called The Open Circle, with the strap line ‘there is always room for you’. She even went to the length of enlarging her sitting room to accommodate evening services when they were no longer held in our Chapel.

Jenny was our Pastoral Secretary for many years, during which time she offered generous care to many families, and encouraged them to attend weekday groups as well as Sunday Services. We give thanks to God for all that Jenny’s faith led her to give to our Church. We pray that her family and friends will know the strength of God’s love holding them as they mourn their loss.

We offer our sympathy to one of our friends at Grove Methodist Church. Kath Gourlay’s husband Jock died on Saturday 7th March in St Katharine’s Care Home. They have participated in lots of our church activities over the years, and regularly came to our Friday lunches. We remember Jock’s very friendly personality during those times, although we also acknowledge the struggles with ill health over several years so that he could no longer live at home. We pray that Kath and her family will know God’s sustaining love to comfort and strengthen them all.

To those of our own Church family for whom this continues to be a difficult time, we offer our love and our prayers. We hope that they feel supported throughout the health problems which are making it impossible for them to join us for Sunday Services. We assure them all that they are remembered and are missed from our fellowship, hoping they may be well enough to join us as their health improves. We are very pleased

that, following her successful knee operation, Sue Haithwaite is now well enough to be worshipping with us again. We also give thanks that Anna Bouchier has recovered sufficiently that she too is able to be in church again.

Knit & Chat

Carolyn Roche

Our meetings in April continue on the first and third Mondays of the month and will be on **Monday 6th April** and **Monday 20th April** at 2 pm in the Hall.

Once again, Rita and I are taking part in the Lent Mystery Knitalong sent out by the Victoria Methodist Church in the Bristol District. By Easter Sunday we should each have completed a cosy shoulder wrap. There has been a lot of unpicking on my part!! Hopefully we will be finished on time and I will post a photo of the wraps on our Facebook page.

Looking forward to seeing you and your current project at our next meeting. If you need wool, have any other queries or just fancy a chat do please call me on 07906 518323

Community Café

Carolyn Roche

Throughout March our café has continued to provide a warm and friendly welcome to regulars and new visitors. We will be open from 9 am to 12 noon every Monday in April and this includes Easter Monday. Thank you to all who volunteer at the café and to all the cake makers. There is no charge for refreshments, but people are welcome to make a donation which goes to a different charity each quarter. This month we will continue collecting for the Treloar's charity. From December to February the café raised £365.44 for the October Club. Thank you everyone for your generosity. We are now looking for ideas for the charities that the café will support from September 2026 – August 2027.

Do come and join us for coffee, cake, cheese scones and conversation.

What is happening on the Wantage premises at present? Other Bookings

April

Saturday 18 th	Family Party	Hall	All day
Sunday 19 th	Jigsaw	Hall	Afternoon
Wednesday 22 nd	Church Leadership Team	Parlour	Evening
Thursday 23 rd	Music Makers	Hall / Chapel	Evening
Saturday 25 th	Clothes Swap	Hall	Morning?

May

Saturday 9 th	WCC Craft Matters	Hall	Morning
	Sustainable Wantage	Hall	Afternoon
Thursday 14 th	SUDEP	Hall	Day
	Music Makers	Hall / Chapel	Evening

SERVICES during APRIL

Friday 3rd April

Good Friday

Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Psalm 22; Hebrews 10:16-25; John 18:1-19:42

11:30 am Wantage Walk of Witness starting at Kingsgrove going to the Market Place for a short service at about 12:30

11:00 am Grove Open Air at Vale Avenue

2:00 pm Wantage Reflective Service Rev Bruce Thompson

Sunday 5th April

Easter Day

Acts 10:34-43; Psalm 118:1,2,14-24; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-18

10:30 am Wantage Rev Nigel Ogley
This service will include the sacrament of Holy Communion

10:30 am Grove Rev Katherine Pickering
This service will include the sacrament of Holy Communion

6:30 pm Prayer for Revival at Grove

Sunday 12th April

Local Preachers

Easter 2

Acts 2:14a,22-32; Psalm 16; 1Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31

10:30 am Wantage Local Arrangements

10:30 am Grove Local Arrangements

Sunday 22nd April

Easter 3

Acts 2:14a,36-41 Psalm 116:1-4,12-19; 1Peter 1:17-23; Luke 24:13-35

9:30 am Wantage Kids@Church

10:30 am Wantage Rev Bruce Thompson

10:30 am Grove Rev Georgina Bondzi-Simpson

Sunday 29th April

Vocations Sunday

Easter 4

Act 2:42-47 Psalm 23; 1Peter 2:19-25; John 10:1-10

10:30 am Wantage Rev Georgina Bondzi-Simpson

10:30 am Grove Rev Carol Hamilton-Foy

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Holy Week

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Monday 30th March 7:30 pm – 8 pm Guided Meditations in Wantage Chapel

Tuesday 31st March 7:30 pm - 8pm Guided Meditations in Wantage Chapel

Wednesday, 1st April 10.00am Grove Lent Course in Grove Meeting Room.

A celebration of Holy Communion led by Rev. Georgina Bondzi-Simpson.

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