



Wantage
Methodist Church

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Welcome to Wantage Methodist Church

We are sharing Sunday services on Zoom.

In the same way that we wait for people present in church to settle before the welcome and notices, so we wait until all Zoom attendees are properly connected.

The Church Stewards introduce worship, then there is a period of quiet in which we prepare for worship and pray for those leading worship. There are times in the service when most people will stand, such as for singing. However, please feel free to remain seated if you prefer.

There is a crèche room for small children.

The Chapel is fitted with an induction loop; Hearing aid users are advised to sit away from the edges of the room and please switch hearing aids to the "T" setting.

Glasses of water are available.

Please join us in the Hall after the service for tea, coffee and fellowship.

Sunday 13th April

Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 23:1-49

10:00 am Market Place United open-air service

10:45 am Morning Worship led by **Rev Keith Underhill**

Monday 14th April

9:00 am Community Drop-in Café in the Hall

2:00 pm Knit & Chat in the Hall

7:30 pm - 8:00 pm Evening reflections in Chapel

Tuesday 15th April

2:00 pm Tuesday Prayer & Study Group at St Mary's Convent
STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:30 pm - 8:00 pm Evening reflections in Chapel

Wednesday 16th April

7:30 pm - 8:00 pm Evening reflections in Chapel

Maundy Thursday 17th April at Wantage

7:30 pm United service with Holy Communion

led by **Rev Keith Underhill**

Good Friday 18th April At Wantage

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

Walking the Way of the Cross together, from Kingsgrove to Wantage Market Place. **Gather at 10.30 am at Kingsgrove Square** for a walking pilgrimage with our brothers and sisters from other churches, ending with Hot Cross Buns in the market place at 1 pm.

2:00 pm A service of reflection led by **Rev Keith Underhill**

At Grove

11:00 am Open air United service opposite the church **Rev Keith Underhill**

Sunday 20th April

Easter Day

Isaiah 65:17-25; Psalm 118:1,2,14-24; Acts 10:34-43; Luke 24:1-12

6:00 am Sunrise open-air Communion service at the Millennium Stones
led by **Rev Keith Underhill**

9:30 am Kids @Church

9:45 am Wantage Church breakfast (please bring an egg cup with you)

10:30 am Morning worship & holy communion led by **Rev Nigel Ogley**

Easter Breakfast

Sunday 20th April

Kids@church would like to invite you to join them for breakfast on Easter Sunday. We will be serving boiled eggs and toast & jam. Please bring your own egg cup. Thanks.

Kids@Church will start at 9.30am as usual – you are welcome to join us to hear the Easter story. Breakfast will be served from about 9.45am.

Please sign up on the list on the notice board in the hall foyer by **Wednesday 16th April** if you would like to join us.

Holy Habit Film

The **film** we will be watching on **Thursday April 24th** is “**The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe**”

PRAYER FOCUS

Focus for Reflection : John 12:13

They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting,
“Hosanna!” “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”
“Blessed is the King of Israel!”

Pray for Wallingford Methodist Church

Give thanks for the freedom we enjoy to bless Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Please pray for :- Adrian, Alison C & family, Alyson, Angela, Anne, Bethan Grant, Carol Mackinder, Caroline, Diane, Diane’s daughters Claire & Julie, Doug & Anne Hatto, Edwina, Eileen, Emma Wright & family, Findley, Geoff, Gill, Hunter, Jade, Jane Robinson, Jane & Emma Soffe & family, John & Jo, June G, June Hartle, Lucas & family, Mary Spalding, Meriel, Norma, Peter, Richard & Anne, Richard in York, Sue, Terry & Sue, Sonia, Tony G, Trudy, Val Broadbent, Vic Press, Vicky, Robin and Becky Legge and the Legge family grandchildren, the family & friends of Louise.

All at Bullingdon Prison, staff, prisoners and visitors,

Our Ministers, Deacon, Community Chaplains, Local Preachers & Worship Leaders, kids@church and Street Pastors, Cornerstone and those members of our church family who, through frailty or ill health, can no longer worship with us.

Prayer Tree - in the entrance foyer of the chapel there is a prayer tree with associated labels for anyone to attach any sort of prayer - be that of thanksgiving, petition, or anything else. If you want to share anything prayer related to go on the table please talk to Helen Carter.

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. It would be so good if we could add others to this group which currently has seven of us in it. Please let Helen Carter know if you would like to be involved in responding to urgent prayer requests. Thank you.

Wantage Methodist Church General Church Meeting

Our General Church Meeting will take place on **Sunday 27th April**. There will be a short morning service which will lead into the meeting.

The General Church Meeting elects/re-elects our Church Stewards as well as appoints representatives to the Church Council and a representative to the Church Leadership Team.

It also allows us to reflect together on the life of the church and for anyone to ask any questions they might have.

If you are willing to serve on either the Church Council or the Church Leadership Team, (you need to be a Church Member to do so) please ensure that you let Keith know in writing along with the name of the person who is willing to nominate you by Easter Day.

Wantage Coffee Morning and Gift Day

We are holding a church **coffee morning and gift day** on **Saturday 26th April from 10 am – 12 noon**. We warmly invite you to come along and join us.

The Church will be open for quiet reflection with background music being played. Tea, coffee, and cake will be available in the hall and Keith and Heather (our Treasurer) will be in the church parlour ready to receive your gifts (whether by cheque, cash, or by bank transfer) or to let them know that you feel able to increase your regular offering. This will of course, be kept confidential. They will also be able to answer any questions you may have regarding the church finances etc.

We are very aware that these are economically difficult times, and that money is tight, but we have a responsibility to balance the church's books.

Discussing our financial situation will also be part of our conversation at the General Church Meeting the following day.

In a service Keith led in January this year on the theme of "Buried Treasure", Keith reminded us of the four markers that help us to reflect on our giving and how we use our money.

Our giving to God is to be voluntary - Exodus 25 v. 2

Our giving to God is to be cheerful - 2 Corinthians 9 v. 7

Our giving to God is to be regular - 1 Corinthians 16 v. 2

Our giving to God is to be in proportion to our means - Deuteronomy 16 v. 17

We are very grateful to those who responded after that service with one-off gifts as well as increasing the amount they felt able to give to the church each month – thank you.

ZOOM

Please contact Gordon Skidmore (07710 214601) for joining details if you wish to join the Sunday Morning Worship Zoom broadcast.

Notices for next week should reach **Gordon Skidmore**
by **the end of Thursday** please.
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Other Users on Wantage premises next week

Monday	eve	Slimming World - Hall
	eve	CA - Parlour
Tuesday	morn	MIND – Hall
	eve	Camera Club - Hall
Wednesday	eve	Wantage Sings - Hall