

## St. Luke's Church,



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# Week commencing: 4<sup>th</sup> April 2021, Easter Sunday (and 11<sup>th</sup> April too)

'Alleluia, Christ is risen!', we will cry out on Sunday. A very happy Easter to you all.

Do join us for the remaining services of this season, on zoom, or live. There are a very few places left to book for church on Sunday, do let me know asap if you'd like one. Our service will include an all Age address.

I shall be on leave from Easter Sunday evening, returning to work for Messy Church on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> April. There will be no services live or zoomed in that week, resuming again with zoomed Morning Prayer on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> April. The church office will also be closed next week.

From Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>, April we will return to hybrid worship on a Sunday with a 10 am Holy Communion service live in church, and also zoomed and recorded, using the Holy Communion in a Pandemic order of service. There will be no need to book for these services. As further restrictions are lifted, we will begin to re-introduce other services and activities – very slowly and cautiously.

**Morning Prayer** continues from 10<sup>th</sup> April, daily, Tuesday – Saturday on Zoom at 9am; **Evening Prayer**, Fridays at 5pm.

**Sundays at Six** continues on Zoom at 6pm on first and third Sundays each month. The next will be on 11<sup>th</sup> April.

#### Thought for the week:

For a second year we will miss our Dawn service on Easter day – by the river, or, more latterly, in the park. There is something very special about that breaking dawn on the day of resurrection. It is as if there is a pause, a breath taken, a glimpse of hope and heaven opened for a second or two. Gardens are so evocative – of creation, of nature, of life, of hope. They are full of scent, budding new life, flora of all textures. The perfect place for Jesus' new life to begin. I don't know just how it was for the women who found Jesus' empty tomb and ran to tell the men the news, but I



do know that in that moment, in a garden right by a busy city, the world was changed for ever. Why not make some time this weekend to be quiet with God in a garden – any size or shape, even with a window box, and allow Him to speak into your heart new life and new hope for the future – the future of our nation, or church, our world, your future... and your present too.

#### Readings for Morning Prayer for the week beginning Sunday 4th April:

Sunday	Psalm 114, 117	2 Corinthians 5.14 – 6.2	
Monday	Psalm 111	Song of Solomon 1.9-2.7	Mark 16. 1-8
Tuesday	Psalm 112	Song of Solomon 2.8-end	Luke 24.1-12
Wednesday	Psalm 113	Song of Solomon 3	Matthew 28. 16-end
Thursday	Psalm 114	Song of Solomon 5.2-6.3	Luke 7. 11-17
Friday	Psalm 115	Song of Solomon 7.10-8.4	Luke 8. 41-end
Saturday	Psalm 116	Song of Solomon 8. 5-7	John 11. 17-44

#### Readings for Morning Prayer for the week beginning Sunday 11th April:

Sunday	Psalm 22.20-end	Romans 4. 13-25	
Monday	Psalm 19	Deuteronomy 1.3-18	John 20.1-10
Tuesday	Psalm 8	Deuteronomy 1. 19-40	John 20.1-10
Wednesday	Psalm 30	Deuteronomy 3. 18-end	John 20.19-end
Thursday	Psalm 28	Deuteronomy 4. 1-14	John 21.1-14
Friday	Psalm 61	Deuteronomy 4. 15-31	John 21.15-19
Saturday	Psalm 84	Deuteronomy 4. 32-40	John 21. 20 – end

#### Prayer suggestions for this week:

- For our celebration of Easter and for those who have nothing to celebrate and no one to pray for them.
- For our schools children and staff for rest and re-creation over the holidays; for the staff and children of New Brainstorm school in Uganda
- For our government, and our nation, as we slowly 'unlock'; for patience for us all
- For every family bereaved through Covid 19, and all others too
- That we might be kind to each other in 'thought, word and deed'
- For all NHS staff, carers, Care Home staff and those caring for the sick
- For our care for God's world and our environment
- For our prayer shawl ministry, and those who will receive shawls, in love
- For our brothers and sisters of faith at the Synagogue, Mosques, Gurdwara and elsewhere
- For the people of Myanmar, Yemen, Ethiopia, Syria, Armenia and other places of conflict
- Those whose anniversary of baptism falls in April: Sophie Hughes, Jasper Craig, Arthur Marshal Pullin, Charlotte Reay, Lucy Traut
- For all those who live and work in Laggan Road and Laggan Square
- The sick and their carers: Monica Olley, Tony Boaks, Mick Curley, Brenda Windass
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Charles Elly, George Cook
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in April: John Rogers, Fiona Nunn, John Quinn, Penelope Lawrence, Len Reynolds, Paul Hill, Lesley Griffiths, Myra Ford, David Sherwood, Philip Agnew, Peter Brown, Vivienne Sewell, Roy Howton, Doreen Headington, John Henry, Doris Simpson, Joan Carpenter, Betty Smith, Irene Weller, Peter Petter, Elise Taplion, Josephine Aldridge, Helen Poynter, Alma Rookie, Roger Bevitt, Diana Philps, Elsie Cummings, Diana Neville, Bertha Selby, Virginia Mzorori-Murwisi, Dorothy Main, Philip Davies, Alan Coombs, Keith Morris, Ernie Thomas, Brenda Clark, Brian Pitts, Pat Lovering, Brian Beard, Rita Redhead, Maureen Williams, Reginald Jacobs, Frank Hepburn, Alice Smith, George Hayward, John Maclean.

#### Rotas for next week: 11th April Parish Communion in church and on zoom

Read: TBC Intercede: Dorothy Strack-Hankey

Welcomers: John Salter Ann Darracott, Ben Darracott Antibac after service: TBC

Rotas for next week: 18th April Parish Communion in church and on zoom

Read: Eileen Goford Intercede: Shula Tajima

Welcomers: Michael Masango, Eileen Goford, Ann Burdett, Antibac after service: TBC

#### Our church is floodlit at night.

This week the floodlighting has been sponsored this week by the Vicar, wishing everyone a blessed Easter

To sponsor the floodlighting just call or email Revd. Sally. All weeks are now available for the rest of this year!



### What's on... Easter and beyond...

From the afternoon of Maundy Thursday we will have four Prayer Stations in the front church garden, prepared with our Primary School. Do drop by to see them.

#### Good Friday, 2nd April

1.30 - 3.00 pm **At the foot of the Cross**, a service of reflection, music, reading and silence (in church only, not Zoomed)

5.00 pm *Evening Prayer* 

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85206769810?pwd=MHBweHA5YVRqemRod1RSR1lTcm5TUT09

Meeting ID: 852 0676 9810 Passcode: 171263

**Holy Saturday:** Easter flowers will be prepared to decorate the church. If you would like to help, please contact Rita – she would love to have helpers. Thank you to everyone who has contributed towards the cost of Easter flowers.

**Holy Saturday / Easter Eve** we are invited to join Fr Jeremy and All Saints for an *Easter Vigil* (shorter than usual) at 8pm, on Zoom:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83883647103?pwd=SkdwZzUwTko4TXJhTHdzckVBVTNKdz09

Meeting ID: 838 8364 7103 Passcode: 918251

#### Easter Day, 4th April

10.00 am, in church and zoomed *Holy Communion*, with blessing of the Easter garden and lighting of the Paschal candle

**NB:** *in-church places MUST be booked:* sally514@btinternet.com. Places are filling up so please do book now.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87358197400?pwd=MTFxVINad1R6NEl6cVZ6TVJ5bGlzdz09

Meeting ID: 873 5819 7400 Passcode: 526076 Phone in details below.

#### The Lamb of God: A journey through St John's story of the passion

A series of six short addresses from Bishop Steven which include hymns and readings. You may want to listen to them throughout Good Friday or weekend as we journey to the cross together once more.

Download the booklet and listen to the audio

**Diocesan services over Easter:** full details of all that the Diocese of Oxford is offering can be found at: <a href="mailto:oxford.anglican.org/livestream">oxford.anglican.org/livestream</a>

**Messy Church:** our next session is on Zoom (email Revd. Sally for the link) from 4-5pm on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> April. Zoom link from Revd. Sally.

**Gaynor's Gift: Prayer Shawl Ministry** it is never too late to join in this beautiful simple knitting ministry. Details are on our website and Revd. Terrie can tell you more. Next get together: 3pm, on 15<sup>th</sup> April:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84874518710?pwd=eFFwSEd5SS9NdmdTdDVIQXICRIBWUT09

Meeting ID: 848 7451 8710 Passcode: 078376

Ralph is currently compiling a list of jobs for the **working party on Saturday 17th April** and has a list of the items from the quinquennial plus cleaning and oiling the bench, weed killing around the church as well as litter picking. If you can think of any other matters which require attention can you please let him know so that he can add them to the list. Please do come along to help out if you can.

Recycling paper face coverings: one of the mums at our school has discovered that Wilko is collecting paper face coverings to re-cycle them. We all see them littering the pavements so this seems an excellent idea. Our local branch is not actually participating but Harlow is and as Revd. Sally will be popping into Harlow from time to time when restrictions are lifted further we can collect the here and she will deposit them! There will be a box in church to place your used paper face coverings. Further details:

https://www.countryliving.com/uk/homes-interiors/a35921573/where-can-you-recycle-disposable-facemasks/?utm\_source=crm&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=CNL\_N\_20210325\_WEEKLY&utm\_content=na&utm\_term=na&HearstNode=A9B03B5EDB75215F0B6AE862BA535A919CD0658D58D\_19FA52EE072C6CB02D508\_

#### New Brainstorm School, Uganda

You will know that through our links with our own, St. Luke's School, we decided that NBS should be one of your three charities in 202. We were able to send £1400 to the school, initially to respond to a need for new desks and benches, and a new bridge. The funds have enabled far more work, which is really exciting, and I have had several emails from Mr Kintu, the headteacher, who thanks God for this provision, which has also enabled them to mend and re-paint the school building, install a new wire safety fence and a swing for the children. Here are just a few of the photos he has sent.



















#### Please note that for all Zoom services the links below are being used:

#### **Sunday Morning Worship:**

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87358197400?pwd=MTFxVlNad1R6NEl6cVZ6TVJ5bGlzdz09

Meeting ID: 873 5819 7400 Passcode: 526076

To phone in on Sundays:

• Dial 0 131 460 1196

- It will say 'welcome to Zoom' and ask you for the meeting ID followed by #
- Type in 873 5819 7400 #
- Then it asks you for personal id/participant number but just press #
- Then it asks for password Type in 526076 #
- You are muted so nobody can hear you. You can unmute yourself by pressing \*6 (star six)

#### **Zoom Morning Prayer** at 9 am Tuesday - Saturday

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81459090925?pwd=Y2hKZkFYZ04zbGZBd1BHcmlldU5Hdz09

Meeting ID: 814 5909 0925 Passcode: 180609

#### **Zoom Evening Prayer** at 5pm on Fridays

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85206769810?pwd=MHBweHA5YVRgemRod1RSR1lTcm5TUT09

Meeting ID: 852 0676 9810 Passcode: 171263

#### **Sundays at Six:**

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83960514349?pwd=YUxYSVZSVjF1cDVTdS85cDRIZm95UT09

Meeting ID: 839 6051 4349 Passcode: 945101

If you know of someone who would like to receive this update and does not have access to the internet, please do print a copy for them. Please note that the church office is open on reduced hours so urgent communication should be to the vicarage telephone and my email. Vicar: The Reverend Sally Lynch (01628) 783033