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NOTICES 16 May 2021

During Ian's sabbatical (1st May - 9th August inclusive) please contact:
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CHURCH NEWS

This week's rhyme

Nearer and nearer dawns the day
When some covid rules have gone away.
So we are all filled with glee
That now we can hug our family.
And also meet six friends indoors
And enter pubs and cafes too
but still we must be very aware
And keep our distance in shops and stores.

Margaret Langsford



The Group Hug
by Maxime Gé

The deadline for the **June Edition of the Triangle**
is Sunday 23 May.

As usual email contributions to Cynthia
(cynbartlett@yahoo.co.uk)
or Val Dalby (vadalby17@gmail.com) please,
or via the Office.



Readers Rota: I have been compiling the readers' rota for the past 7 years and will be giving up from the beginning of September. If anyone would be willing to take over this role then please let me know and I will hand over the contact details of everyone on the current list of readers. Also please let me know if you would like to be added to or removed from the list.

Many thanks, Sue Kyffin

Church Meeting: the minutes of the meeting on 28 April are now available – see link in email, or contact the office for a hardcopy.

Can you help? I am looking for people of faith over the age of 18 years to complete an online questionnaire, which will take approximately 10 mins as part of a study for my Psychology MSc At Oxford Brookes University. I am interested in the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on people's religious belief and practices. This study has been approved by the Psychology Department Research Ethics Committee at Oxford Brookes.

If you think you could help with this research, then please read the participant information sheet:

https://brookeslhs.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_et8nCRIqLQKZrL0

or email Katie Doney on 19043493@brookes.ac.uk

thank you, Katie

COMMUNITY NEWS

Oxfordshire Artsweeks: There will be an Art Exhibition in *St Nicolas' Church* 17 - 22 May, 10am-5pm. Featuring work by local artists and a ceramicist. Covid precautions in place.

Judith Payne will be exhibiting with the Brightwell Village Hall Artists – Steward Village Hall, Brightwell-cum-Sotwell. 21,22,23 May (10am-6pm, 5pm Sunday).

Christian Aid: Due to Covid arrangements are necessarily different this year, but there will still be opportunities to support Christian Aid in Abingdon:



- 9.00am to 1.00pm Saturday, 15th May: Publicity Stall in the Market Place Stall, able to receive donations
- Donate via the Abingdon e-envelope, which makes online donations very, very easy: just visit <https://envelope.christianaid.org.uk/envelope/abingdon-christian-aid-group>

For more information, visit the Christian Aid website <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/>

DEMOLINATION NEWS

The May edition of the URC Wessex Synod Sharing the Vision is now available from <https://wessexsynodurc.org.uk/sharing-the-vision-may-edition/> or contact the Office for a hard copy.

Streams in the Wilderness: Finding spiritual water in the desert. A free week of short, standalone sessions exploring spirituality in difficult times. 24th-28th May Streams in the Wilderness is a week-long event looking at where we may find our nourishment, our spiritual water/food, during difficult times. Each session stands alone, but will all have the same overarching theme. You are welcome to join in for one session, some sessions, or all sessions!

Each day will begin with morning prayer @ 7:30am.

Around lunchtime will be some food for thought @ 12:30pm.

The evening slot is where we will be drinking deeply @ 7:30pm.

All the sessions will aim to be varied, interactive, and include some takeaway thoughts.

The entire week is free to attend. The Zoom link, which is sent out upon sign-up, is the same for all the sessions. So feel free to dip in and out as you see fit. There is no obligation to turn up to any particular session/s.

For more information, or to sign up, visit the event page here

(<https://sitw.eventbrite.co.uk>)

WORSHIP

At Trinity

In-Church Worship: has now resumed. Arrangements will be the same as previously – ie book in advance, masks to be worn, no singing. If you would like to attend please call the office - 01235 520282 - or book online.

Worship at Home Materials will also be produced, and circulated in the usual manner.

Sunday 16 May: Morning Worship in Trinity led by Malcolm Newton

Sunday 23 May: Morning Worship in Trinity led by Frederick Obeng

In the Circuit

Orders of Service for Worship at Home are made available on-line or in hard copy. Keith leads an on-line Zoom service, Sunday mornings at 10:30am. If you would like to join in or know more about this, please contact him - keith.underhill@methodist.org.uk.

A short *Act of Worship* will also be posted on the Circuit YouTube channel

By phone

Listen to a prayer: 0808 281 2514

or News: 0808 281 2478 or a

pastoral message from the President and Vice-President of Conference 0808 281 2695

More widely the Methodist and URC are making resources available on line:

Methodist or see <https://Methodist.org.uk>

Methodist Central Hall – weekly Service and catch up

Wesley's Chapel & Leysian Mission – daily Service and catch up

URC or see <https://urc.org.uk/>