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HOLY WEEK & EASTER



An empty cross and an empty tomb... Hallelujah! He is Risen! He is Risen indeed! Hallelujah!

EASTER DAY Sunday 9th April at St Luke's HOLY COMMUNION 9.15am CONNECTIONS at 11.00am and at St Chad's 10.45am HOLY COMMUNION

APRIL at ST LUKE'S

HOLY WEEK 2nd PALM SUNDAY 9.15am HOLY COMMUNION -Rev Barry Wilson 11.00am CONNECTIONS

6th MAUNDY THURSDAY 7.30pm HOLY COMMUNION Rev Philip Robinson

7th GOOD FRIDAY 2.00 – 3.00 AN HOUR AT THE CROSS

9th EASTER SUNDAY 9.15am HOLY COMMUNION – Rev Patricia Robinson 11.00am CONNECTIONS

16th SUNDAY 9.15 HOLY COMMUNION – Rev David Nicol 11.00am CONNECTIONS

SUNDAYS 23rd and 30th 9.15 MORNING WORSHIP B&R 11.00am CONNECTIONS



CONNECTIONS

Sunday at 11am at St Luke's CE Academy in the school hall. THIS IS A FAMILY-FRIENDLY SERVICE lasting about 40 minutes followed by games for the children and refreshments.

APRIL at ST CHAD'S

HOLY WEEK

2nd PALM SUNDAY

10.45am FAMILY SERVICE - KH w team

7th 11.00am GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

9th EASTER SUNDAY

10.45am HOLY COMMUNION

Rev Barry Wilson

16th SUNDAY

10.45am – HOLY COMMUNION – Rev Barry Wilson

23rd SUNDAY

10.45am MORNING PRAYER MF w Terry Bagguley

30th SUNDAY 10.45am HOLY COMMUNION – Rev Alan Betts

ST LUKE'S CHURCH OFFICE

Unless involved with funeral duties or is unwell, Barrie mans the office on Mon, Wed, and Fri from 10.30am to 1.00pm using **07517 653370.** During these times the church is open for private prayer.

ECUMENICAL MIDWEEK SERVICES

Wednesdays

Holy Communion at 9.15am April 5th at the Methodist Church April 12th NB NO HC SERVICE April 19th at St Luke's

April 19th at St Luke's April 26th at the Methodist Church

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Come follow Christ in the footsteps of St Chad

SAY WHAT?

One of the blessings of the Covid pandemic was that it inspired or forced a lot of people, churches, employers and others to take our online potential more seriously. Zoom and Teams software was rolled out to us staff in Lichfield Diocese in a matter of days at the start of the first lockdown, and we've appreciated the flexibility it offers as well as some of the downsides. Many churches too found new ways to keep in touch, whether with services streamed on YouTube or more interactively via WhatsApp groups, Facebook pages, Twitter, Instagram and the rest. Most will have seen occasions where harmony vanishes and tempers flare as the feeling of anonymity leads to the irrepressible urge to win an argument and put the internet right. We might even have added fuel to the fire. Or we might have taken umbrage, blocking the rogue or even taking ourselves offline. Humans have been ever thus. We see it this month as we read the Gospel records -of Good Friday. Luke writes that "The people stood watching... the rulers sneered... the soldiers mocked... the criminal hurled insults" (Luke chapter 23). Pilate was perhaps the shrewdest of the characters – as a Roman governor tired of the squabbling between the Jewish leaders and upstart preacher from Galilee, he had a sign nailed above one of the crucified, saying 'Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews'. There's a good chance he believed it to be true; but having the sign added was perhaps also designed to troll the Jewish leaders after reluctantly giving them what they wanted to keep the peace. The predictable flame-war followed. An academic might describe this as post-modern irony; a teenager would add an eye-roll. There was some ambiguity in it, and people would talk. The priests tried to 'correct' the Roman governor. There's no affirmation in the Gospels that any of those people would join Jesus in heaven. Just the second criminal crucified next to Jesus, who spoke plainly, admitted his own failings, expressing himself truthfully and kindly. I've long held, tongue-in-cheek, to my belief in Bananarama Theology – sadly, most people reading this will be old enough to remember their hit, 'It ain't what you do, it's the way that you do it – that's what gets results'. The Church of England might agree, in other words. In 2019 it launched its Digital Charter and social media guidelines with the hope of tackling offensive behaviour and encouraging a positive atmosphere for online conversations. It asks us to treat online conversations the same way we should face-toface – with truth, kindness, welcome, as good witnesses, togetherness and alert to safeguarding issues. It's well worth taking a moment to read at www.churchofengland.org/charter before joining your local community, parish and our diocese online.

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A Life in the Air

April is a month to marvel at the birds returning to our shores, a true herald of spring. During the month you may witness first Martins, then Swallows and finally Swifts appearing, with the Swifts last to arrive in late April. These

Swifts are at the end of a nonstop

journey of over 6,000 miles from Africa; they will have been on the wing since they left the U.K. last August as they eat, drink and sleep on the wing, soaring up to 3km high and reaching speeds of 70mph.

Swifts look rather like swallows and martins but are more closely related to hummingbirds. They feed on insects and spiders, often caught high up in the sky. Spiders are known to 'balloon' to great



heights, they spin a few strands of gossamer web which catches the wind and can take them long distances. Spiders have been found 5km up in the sky and in also in mid-ocean!

Swifts pair for life and return to the same nest site year after year. They tend to nest in colonies – within a hole in a cliff, wall or roof. Tall buildings with more than one story, such as churches and towers, make good nesting sites. Under church eaves is a particular favourite. It can be difficult to know exactly where swifts are nesting as the parents tend to eat the droppings of their young and so there is little or no mess beneath a swift nest and the nest itself remains completely out of sight. In addition, they don't return to feed their young often, so you will not see swifts repeatedly visiting their nests with food, unlike swallows and martins. Look for swifts nipping into holes or swooping in under the eaves, particularly in the evening when they do return to their nests.

Sadly this fantastic bird is in trouble – 58% of our swifts vanished between 1996 and 2018 and lack of nesting sites is contributing to their decline. Many established swift colonies are being lost through building demolition, renovation, improvements in energy efficiency and roof repair. It is possible to do all of these important building works without adversely affecting swifts however. Many communities are helping swifts by fitting nest boxes or swift bricks into and onto buildings with good success. Church towers are ideal places for nesting boxes. Place swift boxes snugly behind the tower louvres, cutting a small hole in any bird netting which gives access into the box, but not into the whole tower. Amazingly the swifts don't seem to mind the bells! Video footage shows birds jump slightly at the first ring and then settle back down.

Please have a look for swifts in late April and if you see them whizzing around the church and churchyard then why not return a few weeks later and see if you can see where they are nesting. Please let us know what you find, email **wildlife@cfga.org.uk**.

All the best, Harriet Carty

Diocesan Churchyard Environmental Advisor, harriet@cfga.org.uk,

<u>www.caringforgodsacre.org.uk</u> - individuals and groups in the diocese receive 20% members discount on all CfGA materials. Use the discount code **diomem22**

The Methodist Church

REGULAR EVENTS

- Sunday 10am Worship
- Monday 10am -1.30 Community Café
- Wednesday 9.15 Holy Communion alternately with St Luke's Parish Church
- Thursday 10.30 Fit-as-a-fiddle Exercise, conversation and coffee
- Thursday 20th April 2pm 3.30pm Bereavement Café (see below)
- Friday 14th and 28th April 10am noon Carers' Café
- Friday 6pm 'Blast' youth club for 7-11 year olds (during term time)

BEREAVEMENT CAFÉ - at Endon Methodist Church Next one: 14.00 - 15.00 Thursday 20th April 2020 and continuing on the 3rd Thursday of each month.

This is an opportunity for people who have been bereaved to meet and chat over a cup of tea or coffee. This is for everyone - people of all faiths or none are very welcome.

ST LUKE'S LENT LUNCH

Total raised was **£265.50** and we can claim **£66.38** in gift aid, all going to church funds. A big thank you goes to Sheila H and members of her amazing team who moved and set tables, produced a variety of tasty soups, cheese, biscuits and fruit...as well as giving a warm welcome to everyone. Well done folks!



Endon Methodist Church HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Palm Sunday Worship 2 April 10am Preacher Mr Mark Fallows

Easter Fun Day for children Tuesday 4 April 2-4pm

Devotional Services Tuesday 4 April 7pm -7.30pm Wednesday 5 April 7pm-7.30pm

Wednesday 5 April at 9.15am Holy Communion at Endon Methodist Church

Maundy Thursday 6 April 7pm Holy Communion service

Good Friday 7 April at 10am Reflective Worship

Decorate the cross with a flower Saturday 8 April 2pm - 4pm Outside the Methodist Church

Easter Day Sunday 9 April at 10am

Worship with Holy Communion led by Rev Eleanor Smith

ST LUKE'S ELECTORAL ROLL REVISION 2023

Sheila Simpson writes...

The electoral roll revision will take place between **Sunday April 9th and Sunday April 23rd.** If you are new to St Luke's and would like to be a voting member of our congregation please ask Sheila Simpson for an application form. A copy of the electoral roll will be on display on the notice board near the door in church. If you are aware of any changes which should be made to the Roll, please tell me. The revised roll will be displayed from Sunday April 30th until the APCM which is on Wednesday, 24th May.





FLOWER & CRAFT CLUB



Message from Sue Forrester 07854 043187

I'm afraid that there isn't a confirmed date for this month's meeting yet, but the date will be set at our March 29th meeting, and I will make sure everybody is informed. We have organised groups to depict the 4 Elements in flowers and in artifacts but there is always room for more help.

For our next challenge Pauline demonstrated a spiral arrangement suitable for Easter. She used a large candle and

Connections Community Church

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roses but we can be creative with our own choices. If anyone would like to contribute some flowers for Easter, please feel free to do so; a vase of daffodils is always a good choice. If you haven't visited our friendly group yet please pop in and have a cup of tea any Wednesday we are in session.

CONNECTIONS another message from Sue...

An activity at Connections recently asked groups to complete an acrostic using the words **LIGHT** and **LIFE**. The aim of the service was to see Jesus as our Light and Life. Printed below are the brilliant outcomes.

Well done Suzy, Gill and Neil.

Love Ignites Grace Hope Truth Live In Faith Every day

PASTORAL TEAM

• HILLSWOOD LODGE CARE HOME

Although there is limited space in the lounge area volunteers are welcome to help lead and boost the singing. There is room for about 6 or 7 of us. **The next dates are all Wednesdays April 19th and May 17th at 11.00am.** Please inform Shirley or Rev Patricia if you are able to come. The residents really enjoy these services and the chats afterwards.

• WALKS followed by COFFEE / LUNCH

Members of the pastoral team also arrange short walks followed by either coffee or a light lunch at a café. Thank you to Roger Brindley for leading us in our recent walk near the Roaches followed by tea and cake at the Tea Room! Listen out for details of the next walk.

JOYFUL NEWS!

Rev Alan and Maryanne returned home from their recent trip to New Zealand and couldn't wait to meet their beautiful new grandson Felix Otto, born on February 21st to daughter Rachel. Congratulations to all! We pray that Felix will be blessed and be a great blessing to his mum and dad and all his family.

(PS Alan and Maryanne were finally re-united with their luggage on their return home! They are expecting compensation from the airline.)







CANDLE DEDICATIONS for APRIL

For £2.50 you can keep the Candle of Hope or the Sanctuary Light burning for a week with a dedication.

Please contact Shirley Brindley on 504089 as soon as possible if you would like a particular date in 2023.

Apr	CANDLE OF HOPE	SANCTUARY LIGHT
2 nd	Alan Williamson and family. Precious memories of Kath on what would have been her 90 th birthday	Mabel McGrath in loving memory of sister Doreen and brother-in-law Harry.
9 th	June and Peter Pope to celebrate the birthday of granddaughter Lydia (10 th)	Anon remembering the life and witness of Edna Bond
16 th	Linda Foster remembering Kath Redman on her birthday	Remembering the life and witness of Betty Whitmore
23 rd	The candle is kept burning by Marilyn Plant	The candle is kept burning by Avril Weaver
30 th	David Moss in loving memory of Thomas Moss, father of David and Robert	Ann Boulton in loving memory of Les's parents

Happy Birthday!



APRIL GREETINGS to

Tim Boulton, Lydia Marshall (10th), Barrie Jackson (14th), Eric Cartlidge (17th), Maryanne Lloyd (28th), Phil Benson (29th), Georgia & Millie Tellwright (30th)

If you would like your own or a family birthday included here please contact Ros 504137

Brass cleaning postponed! Please note...

The Brass Cleaning on 4th April has had to be postponed as a funeral has now been arranged at the same time.

Watch out for a rearranged time after Easter and before Well Dressing.

St Luke's APCM will be held on **Wed 24th May** at 7.30pm preceded by our usual short PCC meeting at 7.00pm to approve the accounts.

ST CHAD'S NEWS

Sunday 2nd April—Family Service:



SUNDAY

PALM

Once again we will be joined by the adorable Gareth the donkey, definitely the star of last year's Palm Sunday service!

This year we will be starting off at the village hall car park at 10.45 am and we will walk through the village with Gareth the procession. There will be palm crosses and banners to wave and lots of fun and laughter and a chance for people to see Gareth and to join in with the celebrations.



When we arrive at the church we will be able to share a typical family service (unfortunately Gareth won't be joining us for that!).

Please come along for as much or as little as you wish to share. Whatever you choose you will be very welcome.

Good Friday: 7th April at 11.00am

There will be a special Good Friday service at St Chad's starting at 11am.

It will be a service of reflection with music, readings and prayers.

Please take just an hour out of your busy lives to spend thinking of the sacrifice that Jesus made for each and everyone of us.





*Kath writes...I*t is with sadness that I report the death of Albert Rosie. Albert was dad of Peter and father-in-law of Kath, both long standing members of St Chad's. Albert was 95 and our regular veteran on Remembrance Sunday. We will miss his smile and the twinkle in his eye.

APCM

2023 St Chad's APCM will be held in church following the service on **Sunday 30th April**. It's your church and we need you so please try your best to delay lunch and stay for the meeting.



NEWSLETTER February 2023

from Lindsey Stockton, Project Manager

K I hope you are all well and enjoying the first signs of spring, which may or may not be covered over with snow by the end of the week! February felt like a steady

month, but I do feel that our interpretation of quiet, steady and busy have changed dramatically over the last year when I provide the usual comparison with the figures from February 2022. So here are the figures for last month (February 2022 figures in brackets):

Total vouchers fulfilled	= 128	(60)
No. of Adults fed	= 175	(86)
No. of Children fed	= 88	(48)
Total no. fed	= 263	(134)

As you can see, a significant increase, but something we have come to expect and which our amazing team just takes in its stride now. The team really did surpass themselves in February, coping with the bold actions of their Project Manager! As mentioned in previous editions of the newsletter, we have had to purchase stock in order to satisfy the increased demand for our services. On a weekly basis we were running short or out of, one item or another. I therefore decided that I should place a very large order with Aldi in order to consolidate our stocks of all the core items. When ordering so many different things, in my defence, it is a little difficult to envisage just how big a big order can be! Nine car loads and 1800kgs later, it was very evident! Miraculously, due to our low stock levels, it has all fitted into the warehouse and the volunteers are still talking to me. Indeed they all agree that this is the best way in which to restock.

Food sourcing is an issue nationally for all food banks, and Trussell Trust now has a dedicated team who are in constant contact with all major suppliers to try to ensure that food banks are able to obtain the stock that they need. We are very fortunate with our local Aldi store, which is able to process orders for us with a 48 hour turnaround, so a huge thank you to them. And, of course, a huge thank you to all the volunteers who collected, transported, lifted, dated and put away all of the 1800kg.

We also spent the remainder of the Morrison's vouchers during February which we received as a result of the Christmas Giving Tree donated to by their customers during December. I have opened an account with Booker Cash-and-Carry in Hanley to provide us with greater purchasing flexibility. One of the reports I am able to run from the Trussell Trust data system shows the proportion of stock we have purchased. This shows that during February 44% of our incoming stock was purchased. This was obviously massively distorted by the Aldi purchase (which will hopefully last us for a few months) but it has prompted me to look at the figures for the last three years to see how the situation has changed. The figures are as follows...

2020	0.96% purchased
2021	6.69% purchased
2022	18.14% purchased
2023	29.79% purchased
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This is something that we do need to carefully monitor and a key part of my role will be ensuring that we receive adequate food and financial donations.

We did receive a bumper donation of 600kg from Cottage Delight, consisting of a wide range of the goodies they sell. Whilst not on our standard picking list, it is always lovely to be able to provide our clients with this type of treat food.

Whilst our stock levels are currently healthier than they have been for some while, we are always grateful for any donations from our standard shopping list as follows...

Longlife semi-skimmed milk	Fruit squash	Cereals
Pasta sauce	Sponge puddings	Tinned tomatoes
Tinned vegetables	Tinned rice pudding	Teabags/Coffee
Instant mash	Rice	Tinned meat
Tinned potatoes	Tinned fish	Tinned fruit
Tinned soup	Custard	Biscuits/snack bars
Ketchup/brown sauce	Chocolate	

In addition, the food bank distributes household cleaning products – washing up liquid, multi-surface cleaner, cleaning cloths and laundry liquid. Toiletries – shampoo, conditioner, shower gel, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, razors and shaving foam. We are seeing a lot more families with young children, so would particularly welcome donations of nappies – all sizes, along with the whole range of baby and child toiletries. Then not forgetting the four legged members of the household, with a need for wet and dry dog and cat food.

If you are a donor, please try to deliver your donations at the Foodbank on Tues and Fri between 10.00 am and 12 noon – as it gets very busy with clients after this time. Alternatively, you may use any of our Permanent Collection Points which are still available at various locations listed on our website -

https://leekdistrict.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food

We now have a new collection point in the Leek branch of Asda. We are also able to collect any large donations - please contact the Foodbank to arrange this. If any of you would like to discuss anything relating to the Foodbank or arrange a visit, please contact me at projectmanager@leekdistrict.foodbank.org.uk or on 07916 005064.

We continue to welcome corporate volunteers, school groups and individual volunteers, and we are always very happy to show people around and share with them the work we are doing.

Love, best wishes and blessings to you all

NEXT COLLECTION at St Luke's and Connections Sunday April 2nd

KNITTED SQUARES...Latest from Sue and Norman Millard

To all the busy ladies

Thank you again for all your efforts. Here are a few photos from our recent trip to the Women's Refuge in Dunkirk.

First the usual blessing service at Biddulph Methodist Church, but note the piles of packets of wipes on the table on the right. These were requested last time we went as there is no running water in the camps so these are necessary for hygiene and personal dignity.





Norman unloads a trolley overflowing with knitted blankets.

Your blankets and wipes are gratefully accepted by the volunteers.

LAST MONTH'S QUIZ ANSWERS How did you do? Well done if you managed all 30 !

1. A lightweight boulder (12)	FFATHERSTONE
 His Majesty's girl (5, 4) 	
 Sent here, not speaking (8) 	
 Attached to a stream (10) 	
5. Someone loved props up weight (10)	
6. Film star crooner (6)	
7. Store strong red wine here (9)	
8. This mental processing centre has many branches (9)	
9. Embarrassed lady in Cornwall (7)	
10. Continue to mock (7)	TAUNTON
11. He must be a green US president (7)	
12. Butcher tying up the bacon (10)	NOTTINGHAM
13. Sounds like a metal estuary (10)	TEIGNMOUTH
14. Journey on horseback (4)	
15. Ancient actor, overacting (6)	OLDHAM
16. Pond for swimming (5)	POOLE
17. Male trunk placed before the Queen (10)	MANCHESTER
18. Played at a posh school (5)	RUGBY
19. Essential to sail on board ship (5)	CREWE
20. A one-eyed sea dog (6)	NELSON
21. Ma, bring him for alteration (10)	BIRMINGHAM
22. Beats hard at entrance to field (8)	RAMSGATE
23. Boycott a group of typists (9)	BLACKPOOL
24. Wide steps (11)	BROADSTAIRS
25. A quiet, safe place (10)	PEACETOWN
26. Bovine crossing (6)	OXFORD
27. It's safe to drink (10)	FRESHWATER
28. Inter (4)	BURY
29. Cockney says "Give it to me!" (7)	ANDOVER
30. Sister was cannibalised (8)	NUNEATON

April Prayer Focus

- Safety for those attending mosques following the incident whereby an elderly man was set alight on his way home
- The new Brexit deal for Northern Ireland
- The recent upsurge of violence in Northern Ireland
- The current threat from China supporting Russia in the war in Ukraine
- Those in Turkey, Afghanistan and Syria in desperate need after devastating earthquakes
- All the aid agencies and volunteer recovery teams
- For a generous response to the appeal for donations
- For safety of us all as Russia bombs a nuclear site
- Urgent resources for Ukraine
- Ukrainian refugees especially children taken from their families and sent to Russia
- Those taken prisoner by the Russians
- An end to the war
- The government of our country in the light of the current industrial problems
- All those affected by the widespread industrial action
- Wisdom, good health and stamina for our new King and all working members of our Royal Family
- Climate change and that the COP27 conference will bear fruit
- Those affected by the severe floods and landslides and those trying to help them
- Those seeking justice for women in Iran and regime change
- For those on low incomes in the light of the rise in energy bills
- Those coping with severe weather conditions here and in other parts of the world due to climate change
- Avian flu and farmers affected by it as well as our wild bird population
- Organisations striving to get aid into Afghanistan where women have been banned from working as aid workers
- East African countries on the verge of famine
- The problem of people-trafficking across the Channel and those seeking asylum
- The threat of monkeypox and those currently affected
- All hostages in Iran awaiting release especially Morad Tahbaz and Mehran Raoff
- Improved safety for women on our streets
- The huge problem of loneliness
- Refugees in Yemen and the US border with Mexico
- All suffering at the hands of deeply corrupt governments
- Loved ones in our parish who are currently unwell
- Our church wardens and worship leaders during the interregnum
- Bishop Matthew and Archdeacon Megan and the appointment of our next incumbent
- The Church of England dealing with a shortage of clergy and funds
- Those affected by the recent upsurge in knife crime
- The widespread drug problem especially in Stoke-on-Trent
- Lou Macari's hostel for the homeless in Hanley
- The problem of the millions of plastic bottles afloat in our oceans and the tons of 'space junk' orbiting our planet
- All who have lost loved ones recently
- The Trussell Trust food banks still needed as much as ever

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either by e-mail jandrbenson@btinternet.com or phone 504137.

ADVANCE NOTICE - CHURCH LUNCH

A lunch is being organised at The Stafford Arms, Bagnall on Friday **30th June** at 12.30 pm. It is a great opportunity for both our congregations and friends from church-related groups to get together for some social time. A £10 deposit will be needed nearer the time and menu choices will be required in advance. Please see Jean, Sophie or Shirley to add your name to the list. *Sue Forrester*