

**Ruislip Manor Methodist Church** 

Sunday 24th May 2020

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Dear Friends,

I hope you will be able to join us for one or both of the following Zoom times:

Please note there is a <u>different log in</u> and password to last week.

Please master the Mute button and keep yourself muted when you are not speaking so there is less distraction for others. Also so you know how to turn it on when you do wish to speak! The quickest way to turn on temporarily seems to be by holding your spacebar down as you speak. I was caught out when joining the Breakout Rooms last Sunday since the act of joining muted me. So I realise there is still a lot to learn!

## 6pm Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May

Short United Service with bring your own coffee to chat with others from our church!

Click on:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87045898321?pwd=Q0VIMzd0MDZxYIZRUmd0QjZIcXImUT09

Meeting ID: 870 4589 8321 Password: 051379

From a landline: 0203 481 5240

### 7.30pm Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May 'The Bible Course'. *Feel free to dip in any week.*

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89166681192?pwd=NUtHZWRobTBLejZpbmFqSk1DUUFhdz09

Meeting ID: 891 6668 1192 Password: 449368

From a landline: 0203 481 5240

Those of you using Zoom will need to be updated to Zoom 5.0. If you have used a free version recently you will probably have already been updated. But don't be surprised if you are requested to download Zoom again.

### Thy Kingdom Come

I hope you all received and are using the Prayer Journals. In a video message, filmed in his kitchen Archbishop Justin Welby reflected on this year's changes due to COVID-19. He said:

"It seems we are having to reinvent everything this year. Thy Kingdom Come, which is normally a time of gathering and of being together, is now to be done at home. Well, praise God. That's where the church began -in people's homes, in people's houses and where in many parts of the world it still happens."

"Let us regain our confidence as we pray between Ascension and Pentecost this year, praying for the coming of the Spirit that all may know that Jesus Christ is risen, that Jesus Christ is Lord, And in His life and love, there is hope and peace, and call and purpose. May God bless you in your times of prayer, may you know His living presence in your home. Amen."

Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop of Westminster, said:

"Prayer knows no boundaries or obstacles. Prayer cannot be 'locked down'. Lord, send us your Holy Spirit and the freedom that is the Spirit's gift."

<u>World Vision</u>, the international Christian partnership, have developed <u>the Little Pack of Hope</u>. The pack, which can be <u>downloaded as a pdf</u>, includes a series of simple and engaging activities for children.

### A prayer from Premier Christian Radio

Lord, We thank you for the wisdom and caution churches have taken in adhering to social distancing to prioritise the health of their congregations. We pray you would grant wisdom and insight to both the government and religious leaders as we look to the future. Help us to trust in you and not make decisions out of fear. We pray you would protect the vulnerable and continue to use your Church throughout this crisis to be a blessing to local communities. Amen

## 'My Recommendations'

While I was unable to get to church a while ago I also made use of the 'Sunday Service' broadcast at 08.10am in the morning on Radio 4 (before the regular Sunday TV service broadcasts were restored). It is also available on Freeview Channel 704 and can be recorded as if it is a normal TV programme. I preferred to record it so that I could listen when convenient for me.

I have listened to Premier Christian Radio that broadcasts Christian programming including news, debate, teachings and Christian music across the United Kingdom. 'Worship at Home' at 10.00am on Sundays. Good background listening during the week, although perhaps some of the hymns/worship songs may be a bit 'modern' and the teaching a bit 'American' for some of us. Their news bulletins include additional items on Christian subjects. (I was amused by the report that an American RC priest is using a water pistol filled with holy water during a drive-in service.)

Available on Medium Wave radio at 1332 (London) and on DAB digital radio (with additional music channels Premier Gospel and Premier Praise). Also on Freeview Channel 725 (so can be recorded if items are at inconvenient times) Facebook <u>https://www.facebook.com/togetherpremier/</u> Background details <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Premier</u> Christian Radio

https://www.premier.org.uk/

Schedule- https://www.premierchristianradio.com/Schedule

Among their presenters is Tony Miles from the Methodist Central Hall Westminster -

God's Healing Love Sunday 3rd May 2020 - 04:15 pm

They have a debate programme on Saturdays at 6pm (18:00 hr) 'Unbelievable?' With Justin Brierley, sometimes debates with atheists. Last Saturday's broadcast was -

Christendom's response to plague and pandemic: Tom Holland, Mike Bird and Rev Marcus Walker Available on YouTube - <u>https://www.youtube.com/user/PremierUnbelievable</u>

One of the sessions that I found particularly interesting from the online Spring Harvest series gave me a lot of background on the origin of communion from the Jewish Passover meal, and connecting it to our Christian understanding as in Acts and Epistles, I was not aware that there would be four separate cups of wine during the service.

Whatever Happened to Communion? - Peter and Michele Guinness

"Peter and Michele Guinness look together at communion in the past, the present and as our future hope." <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m1Lf-R\_u8Ds</u> =KEN MERRIFIELD=-

# **Church Council**

We will be holding a Church Council via Zoom at 7.30pm on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June chiefly to discuss livestreaming & recording services. CC members will receive the agenda and proposal later this week but feel free to ask a CC member for a copy of the proposal if you would like to read through it. All are welcome to attend but of course only CC members can vote. If you would like to become a CC member or church steward please contact Roger Dunlop.

## News from Kenbrook Methodist Home

MHA Kenbrook reported 2 cases of Covid-19 early inApril, but implemented strict shielding and have had no more cases. All staff and patients at Kenbrook were recently tested with not a single case as of 15<sup>th</sup> May. Through the whole anxious time morale was kept up with God's help through familiar activities like music therapy, crafts, and garden-based hobbies. Care staff revealed all sorts of talents including performing, hairdressing and IT. They have found new ways to keep everybody in touch with friends and relatives via new big screen tablet computers, tovertafel, individual skype calls and facebook.

## **Prayer Requests**

Please continue to pray for :-

Susan's cousin Brian who has mental health issues and is suffering with isolation. Include anyone suffering from mental health issues and from loneliness because of isolation.

All those who have contracted Coronavirus and thank God for all who have survived.

Bob and June.

The residents and staff at MHA Kenbrook in Wembley , and all care home residents and their families and carers.

Prayers and Blessings to all at Ruislip Manor and beyond - stay safe.

Please send prayer requests to prayerrequests@rmmc.org.uk

### Friday 22nd May:

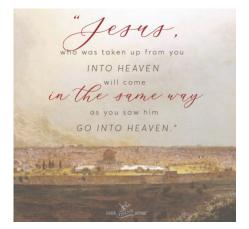
This week we pray for the people who live in Paignton Road and Rosebury Vale. We also pray for God's love to strengthen all of those at Trinity Church.

We wish many happy returns to all who celebrate a birthday in May.



### Online Sunday School

Every week the Hayes Church website has a page with resources and activities for Sunday School. You can find it at https://www.hayesmethodistchurch.co.uk/sunday-school



Contributions to our church whilst we are not able to meet on the premises.

Thank you to those who have recently sent cheques to Graham, or made bank or card payments. This is really helping at the moment.

For bank details for bank payments please email treasurer@rmmc.org.uk

For credit/debit card donations to Ruislip Manor Methodist Church please use this link.



Items for the News sheet for Friday 29th May to Janet Miles ,by email newsletter@rmmc.org.uk by Wednesday 27th May , please