

Ruislip Manor Methodist Church

Sunday 1st November 2020

www.rmmc.org.uk Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/tempRMMC/

I realise that it is extremely disappointing for many, but as a Church Council we decided to keep the church closed for Sunday worship for the time being. Following the very strong advice from the Chairs of our London District we recognised the need to do all we can to lessen the transmission of the virus, though were clear that we actually had put in place very thorough systems to make our church as safe as possible.

Having been hugely impressed by a Facebook posting from Val I said to her with regards to the Church Council Minutes, 'What I would really like this time is no words but the Minutes expressed through an arrangement of Autumn leaves!' She duly delivered, leaving us all something on which we can reflect further down this Newsletter.

I hope you will continue to make use of and enjoy the various services that can be accessed on the internet including the Circuit Zoom service, Westminster Central Hall and Wesley's Chapel.

I further hope that those of you who are able will join our 6pm Sunday evening Zoom services. They last for 30 minutes and then there is the opportunity to chat with friends from church. If you are still unsure about Zoom and would like help with it then do please give me a ring. I'm delighted that one person without computer access has regularly joined via his landline, so a computer isn't necessary though it does improve things being able to see one another on the call.

It has been very good having our Weekly notices so if you know of people who don't receive those then do please help them to keep in touch or let me know. Likewise as time goes on do keep in touch with one another – we are most grateful to our Pastoral Links for all they are doing.

And so a prayer from the main Methodist website:

God of all hope we call on you today. We pray for those who are living in fear: Fear of illness, fear for loved ones, fear of other's reactions to them. May your Spirit give us a sense of calmness and peace. We pray for your church in this time of uncertainty. For those needing to make decisions in order to care for others For those who will feel more isolated by not being able to attend. Grant us your wisdom.

Holy God, we remember that you have promised that Nothing will separate us from your love – demonstrated to us in Jesus Christ. Help us turn our eyes, hearts and minds to you.

Amen

Peace and hope to you in Christ,

Roger

6pm Sunday Evening Service. Roger Dunlop

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85982560403?pwd=S3INQ3FNMnRhYTMrTGRyT3pKbmNkZz09 Meeting ID: 859 8256 0403. Passcode: 937005. Landline: 0203 051 2874

Prayer Course – next session: 'Unanswered Prayer'. 7.30pm Monday 9th November. All welcome! <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86588238449?pwd=VmVwc0hGeVBWdjhXUU9yV0k4ZGxpZz09</u> Meeting ID: 865 8823 8449. Passcode: 469090. Landline: 0203 051 2874 <u>**Community Bible Study**</u> – 2 of my churches in the past have had CBS groups that were appreciated. You can now try CBS online. See <u>https://cbsuk.org/</u>

CIRCUIT ZOOM SERVICE- Join us at **<u>10.45am</u>** each Sunday morning to share in worship with others from around the Circuit. If you are unable to attend your Church service and would like to continue online worship- this is for you!

The Circuit Zoom service this Sunday 25th will be led by Peter Davies. Log into Zoom using the following details

Meeting ID: 827 0254 0378 Passcode: 947280 Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82702540378?pwd=WXo2WGVnVXR1SGdlZTNqVGFZRU8yZz09

Spring Harvest Half Term Pop Up

https://springharvest.org/news/harvest-pop-up

"This year we will all be staying closer to home, but the desire to meet for worship, teaching and connection has never been stronger. So we're going to get together online during half-term week 26-31 October. With live and brand new pre-recorded content for all ages, HARVEST POP UP will be more of a taster of Spring Harvest than we've ever created before – we're excited and we'd love you all to join us for as much as you can.

We would love you sign up to access the whole event on our brand new online event platform – it will give you access to all the sessions laid out in a clear timeline, a meeting hub, live chat, links and handouts and all kinds of extras. (If you're joining in a rush at the last minute, you'll still be able to see the free sessions on YouTube but the live interaction will be turned off.) We'll keep you posted and keep your eye on our social media channels."

From Darkness to Light - Online Service of Reflection Wednesday, 04 November 2020 - 17:30 GMT

https://www.christianaid.org.uk/events/service-reflection

<u>Sign up on Facebook.</u> The service will also be available to view on YouTube, on the above page. We've all been through enormous change and loss during the coronavirus pandemic, especially those who have lost a loved one. This special service of reflection is a time to come together in our grief in this difficult year and to remember and celebrate those we love, who are no longer here. The service will be introduced by Amanda Mukwashi, our Chief Executive, and include a sermon from Dr Rowan Williams. It will give time and space for personal reflection, and an opportunity to light a candle in memory, should you wish. If you would like to see the name of a loved one on the screen during a moment of reflection within the service, we can arrange that. Just email Kerry at legacyteam@christian-aid.org

Scargill House have just released their autumn programme, which you can find at <u>https://</u><u>scargillmovement.org/programme/?online=true</u>.

Scargill is a Christian Community in North Yorkshire which welcomes visitors for residential conferences and retreats. They're not taking bookings for overnight stays at present, of course, but have decided to try running a programme of events on line. It comprises a variety of quiet days (free of charge or make a donation) and other 3- or 4-day events for which a charge is made (which looks to be in the range of £50 -£100; considerably less than you would pay if you were getting bed and board too). I've done one of their online quiet days, which was very good, and I've been on one of their longer events in the days when you could go and stay with the community, so I'm very happy to recommend Scargill as worth exploring. Best wishes, Cathy



Charity Christmas cards catalogues time of year has come around again and I have received details of those from Karibuni Children .Karibuni Children Hand-made banana leaf / fabric or batik Christmas cards. 6 cards (mix of 3 designs) £4 including postage. Available to order onlinehttps://www.karibuni.org.uk/shop/?add-to-cart=6624 Or at

Or at Karibuni Children Stoke Mandeville Methodist Church Eskdale Road, Stoke Mandeville Aylesbury Bucks HP22 5UJ, UK Telephone 01296 614887 Latest news from Kenya, with video of thanks https://www.karibuni.org.uk/covid-19-update-in-kenya/

Some Methodist Services available on YouTube (you can decline requests to login or set up an account) Central Hall Westminster making use of AV features <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCn9TkFzl-gk--V3JapCS0sQ</u>

Wesley's Chapel, Main Sunday Service (more traditional compared to Central Hall Westminster) <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUAUqhmhevz5sqhh72LIMxA</u> Other services during the week e.g. Wesley's Chapel, short sermon series on Thursdays - currently working through Ephesians e.g. <u>12.45pm</u> <u>Thursday 8th October, Service of the Word: Ephesians 2</u>

FURTHER ONLINE RESOURCES-from around the Circuit: TRINITY-The morning service will be recorded and available to view on the Church website <u>www.trinityharrow.co.uk</u>

YouTube video - Each week Revd Ken (Kingstone) produces a YouTube video with a Bible reading, a thought (or mini-sermon) and a prayer. Details are on each churches' website and the YouTube channel <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCP9o1o7wxg_4sroOfwtEgiQ</u> Worship at Christ Church - Christ Church has a live Act of Sunday worship on FaceBook Log into Facebook | F

Prayer Requests

Please continue to pray for :-

- anyone suffering from mental issues and from loneliness because of isolation.
- all those who have contracted Coronavirus and thank God for all who have survived.
- Prayers and Blessings to all at Ruislip Manor and beyond stay safe.

Friday 30th October:

This week we pray for Hayes Methodist Church

We bring Brackenbridge House and Ryefield Court Care Home to God in prayer. We also pray for the people who live in Brixham Crescent and Chelston Approach We wish many happy returns to all who celebrate a birthday in November



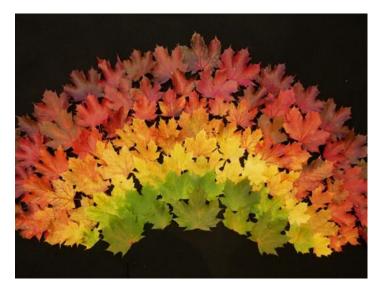
We have a few Christian books at Church if you would like to borrow one or would like some more information about the books we have please contact Janet Fairclough.



The leaves this Autumn have been so beautiful and I have enjoyed making patterns from them.

Roger asked if I could express this week's Church Council Minutes through an arrangement of leaves, and this is the result.





I have in my mind what they mean, but will leave you to make your own interpretation.

Items for the News sheet for Friday 6th November to Janet Miles , by email newsletter@rmmc.org.uk by Wednesday 4th November, please