

**Ruislip Manor Methodist Church** 

Sunday 8th May 2022

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# **SERVICE ON SUNDAY 8th May All Age & Communion Service**

# 10.45am Ruislip Manor Methodist Church: Revd Dong Hwan Kim,

It has been decided to make our service on 22 May cafe style which will facilitate arrangements for the informal annual church meeting which will follow. To this end, the Holy Communion service for May will be combined with the All Age service this Sunday, 8 May.

This week's service will also include a short presentation about Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF) which is a Christian organisation flying medicines, patients, Bibles and equipment etc in and out of places, all around the world, where aircraft usually don't fly! Ryan and Shiv Cole, who work for MAF in Papua New Guinea and are currently over here on leave, will give the brief presentation and be available to chat after the service.

To join the service on line, join it later or go to any of the other recent selected services

<u>click here</u> If this does not work go to the church website <u>www.rmmc.org.uk</u> and click on "Livestream Services" on the top of the page. Subtitles will be available from several hours after the close of the service.

### Covid Precautions Review – revised plan from 27 March

Following some discussion, it was agreed at the Church Council meeting on 17 March 2022 to lift most of the Covid precautions. <u>From Sunday, 27 March</u>

Masks will be optional. Hand sanitisers will continue to be available. Ventilation in the church will be continued.

## In order to provide for those who wish to continue some social distancing <u>and</u> those who don't - the two <u>central</u> seating blocks will be 'open seating' and the seating blocks <u>either side</u> will be reserved for those who still wish to sit socially distanced from others. Stewards will be able to direct you as necessary.

# Please respect one another's choices and bear with the Stewards during this transition to (yet another!) new system.

The Church Stewards will, of course, continue to review week-by-week how this is working and make any adjustments necessary. A full review will be made at the next General Church Meeting (after service on Sunday 22 May).

Thank you for your patience during what has been a long time of unprecedented disruption. Eileen

### Refreshments

From this week, we are delighted to resume weekly refreshments in the Coffee Lounge, following the service.

If you are able to help with refreshments, please sign up on the noticeboard in the Coffee Lounge and if you aren't sure what is involved, or would like someone else to do it with you to show you the ropes, speak to Nola or Janet M. If you have a favourite charity and offer assistance, your charity can benefit from donations made on the day.

### **Church AGM**

A reminder to all Church members that the Annual General Meeting will be held after the Church service on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

### **Whitechapel Mission**

As Tony Miller MBE will be taking our Service on May 29th It was thought prudent to postpone our regular Easter Appeal for a few weeks, so that we can have the Appeal up to May 29th. I do realize that there have been many calls for financial assistance recently but as one of our primary Charities we cannot ignore

Whitechapel. If you are able to donate any amount please either use the Whitechapel envelopes on the Vestibule table. or if preferred by bank transfer via the RMMC account 00033759 sort code 40-52-40 it is essential that you mark the donation WHITECHAPEL and of course if you are able GIFT AID the donation all the better. I hope that when Tony Miller MBE visits us we can give him notice of a bumper amount.

Many Thanks in advance. As the Mission says 'WE REMAIN OPEN AND SERVING'

Roger Davis. RMMC Whitechapel Rep.

# **Quiz Night Update**

We are very pleased to announce our first Quiz Night, since Covid stopped such events, which will be held on Saturday, 21st May 2022, doors opening 6.45pm, for a 7pm start. Why not bring some friends and put together a team? We are able to offer a supper of either cod and chips, sausage and chips, steak and kidney pie and chips or veggie burger/spicy bean burger and chips...or you can bring your own food...or none! The choice is entirely yours. Tickets, available from Erick (07763 448734) will be £5 without food or £10 with food and please note orders, together with payment, for food must be received no later than 15th May. For those not requiring food, payment may be in cash on the night or by bank transfer in the usual way (RMMC account 00033759, sort code 40-52-40) - please mark payment QUIZ NIGHT.

## Jubilee Tunch and Church Anniversary - 5th June 2022

What on earth is Jubilee Tunch?...it is, of course, the posh Afternoon Cream Tea-cum-Lunch you eat to celebrate Her Majesty's 75th Jubilee, following the service on 5th June! Incidentally, this date will also be our Church Anniversary and annual Gift Day...but more of that nearer the date. Our tunch will comprise crustless finger sandwiches, plenty of homemade cake and scones, with clotted cream and jam. There will also be a 75 Years Quiz available, just for a bit of fun. **Please note, the event will be strictly by ticket only as we must, essentially, cap the number of places available, so do apply early to avoid disappointment**. Tickets will be free but with a suggested donation of £5 each towards the costs and will be available from Alana from 8 May 2022 - please contact her by calling, messaging via <u>enquiries@rmmc.org.uk</u> or seeing her in person. Donations may be in cash, by cheque (made out to RMMC) or by bank transfer in the usual way (RMMC account 00033759, sort code 40-52-40) - please mark bank payments JUBILEE TUNCH.

Organisation for this event is already underway - if you are able to supply a <u>homemade cake</u>, please speak to Eileen, or tell Alana, when booking tickets. The plan is to set up the hall, in advance, on Saturday evening, 4th June - exact time to be arranged later - and help will also be needed on the day itself, plating sandwiches, cutting up cake - nothing too onerous! - again, please speak to Eileen <u>if you are able to lend a hand</u>.

### Easter Offering 2022 - Tell Her Story, Tell Our Story

Each year, the Methodist Church gives out Easter Offering envelopes in local churches, as well as holding an Easter Offering dedication service. This tradition dates back to 1883, when women in Manchester collected £32 for missionary work overseas from 'Christmas pennies' at family gatherings on Christmas Day. This year's theme, 'Tell Her Story, Tell Our Story' features the stories of women which have often been forgotten or overlooked, stories of courage, compassion and calls for change. The theme is inspired by the tenth anniversary of Methodist Women in Britain and the work it has done to empower and enable women around the world. The offerings collected go to the World Mission Fund of the Methodist Church in Britain. In 2019 over £370,000 was raised and the hope for 2022 is to exceed this total. **The Circuit's Easter Offering service will be held in June at the Lighthouse Centre - details at a later date.** 

The Methodist Church's World Mission Fund, helps to support mission partners working overseas, nationals in mission appointments and overseas students in ministry training. It also allows the church to make grants to Partner Churches for special projects.

## Ukraine -

If you wish to make a donation, this can be made as a direct bank transfer via RMMC's account - 00033759

**sort code 40-52-40** - please mark the donation UKRAINE. Cash donations may be made at church - please place your donation in a sealed envelope clearly marked UKRAINE. Please write your name on the envelope if you have a gift aid declaration with the church and you wish us to claim the Gift Aid and pass it on to the appeal.

## Wesley Seminar: Reconnection to Methodism | Tuesday 24 May | 7pm - 8.30pm

Marking Wesley Day in the Harrow & Hillingdon Circuit with a Wesley Seminar at the Lighthouse Centre, South Ruislip, Revd Dong will draw focus on early Wesley Ministry and encourage discussion. Refreshments will be provided and all are invited to attend. <u>If you are able to help with refreshments (tea/coffee and biscuits) afterwards, please let Eileen know.</u>

## A Prayer for Ukraine

Loving God, your Son Jesus Christ, wept over Jerusalem. Today, we weep over Ukraine. We weep for those uprooted from their homes and lives. We weep for those cowering in basements. We weep for those who have witnessed death and destruction on their streets. We weep for those separated from parents, from children, from spouses and siblings. We are amazed at the resilience of people seeking to comfort those in need and so we pray for Governments opening up borders so that Ukrainians can have safe passage. We pray for churches and individuals providing food, clothing and shelter. We pray for medical workers ensuring that shattered bodies are put back together again. We pray for ordinary Russians demonstrating and voicing their disapproval of the military actions in Ukraine. May the Holy Spirit give us the willpower to turn our tears into action also. May we, through our words, prayers and example pursue the things that make for a just peace in the world today and especially in Ukraine. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. AMEN

## **Prayer Requests**

Please remember Patsy & Vic Gutteridge in your prayers, they have both recently has Covid and Vic has also been diagnosed with Prostate Cancer.

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.

Any requests for prayers please send to prayerrequests@rmmc.org.uk

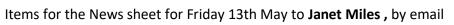
### Friday 6th May:

This week we pray for all at Cannon Lane Methodist Church

We bring Age UK Hillingdon, DASH, Hillingdon Carers & Hillingdon Mind to God in prayer.

We also pray for the people who live in Torrington Road and Thurlestone Road

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



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by Wednesday 11th May, please

