



Ruislip Manor Methodist Church

Sunday 29th May 2022

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SERVICE ON SUNDAY 29th May

10.45am Ruislip Manor Methodist Church: Tony Miller Whitechapel Mission

If you are able to donate any amount, to help with their work, 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.

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

[click here](#) If this does not work go to the church website www.rmmc.org.uk 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 – Please see notice at the end of the news sheet

Refreshments

it is lovely to get back to our usual weekly refreshments served in the Coffee Lounge! Many thanks to all those who have helped make refreshments possible during the last few months, especially the indefatigable Nola and Janet M. However - they aren't really indefatigable!... so please give them a break by signing up on the noticeboard in the Coffee Lounge if you are able to help with refreshments. 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. As with all the roles at RMMC, if nobody signs up, we won't be able to offer the much appreciated service!

[Lavender for Roger Dunlop](#) - you may recall that, as part of our gift to Roger Dunlop, he was to receive a potted lavender shrub, to remind him of our beautiful gardens at RMMC. Unfortunately, due circumstances beyond his control, his arrival at the Manse in Shropshire was so delayed that lavender was no longer available! However, the promised lavender became available in recent weeks, the promised delivery was made last week and a note of thanks was received from Roger, who says it smells lovely. He asks that everyone at RMMC be thanked for the wonderful memories of their time with us.

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 70th 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 70 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 3 June 2022 - please contact her by calling, messaging via enquiries@rmmc.org.uk 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 [homemade cake](#), 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! There's the usual 'sign up' list at church or speak to Eileen or Alana .

Our Jubilee Topper



Kenton Jubilee Event - Saturday, 11th June 2022 11am - 3pm - Kenton Methodist Church (Woodgrange Ave, HA3 0XF) have invited everyone to their Queen's Platinum Jubilee Party, which will include food, bouncy castle, face painting, stalls, raffle and games.

Quiz Night Update - unfortunately, there were insufficient numbers signed up to run this event as planned ...but it is hoped to fix a new date for the end of the summer. Thanks to Erick for all his hard work.

Notice from Circuit

The Circuit Leadership Team wish to inform all churches in the Circuit that they have reluctantly accepted the Revd Stephen Poole's request for his appointment to be curtailed by one year so therefore his appointment in the Circuit will end in August 2023. They assure us that Steve has not come to this conclusion easily and he has asked them to inform us that when his appointment finishes, he will also be resigning from the Methodist Church. Please remember Steve and his family in your prayers.

Holy Communion - from September 2022 it is hoped we shall be able to return to our former delivery of Holy Communion from the rail, rather than to our seats. However, this is only possible if there are sufficient Communion Stewards available to prepare, serve and clear up afterwards, and - importantly - somebody to organise a rota for this. The latter role was formerly carried out by Adrian Buckland. Since re-opening RMMC post-Covid, Ken M has kindly been preparing and clearing up but we now need to return to a more manageable system. If you are able to serve your church, either as a Communion Steward or to organise the rota, please speak to Ken (M) or one of the Stewards

Circuit Plan June-August 2022 - the keen and eagle eyed among you may have noticed a few discrepancies in the plan, which is now displayed on the usual board. Please note - the evening service shown at RMMC on 10 July is actually taking place at Ruislip and, for those who wish to follow the planned readings, Circuit has informed us that, "...the first reading of each *Ordinary* Sunday is incorrect on the June – August Circuit Plan (19th June – 28th Aug). It is currently showing the Principle Continuous reading and not the Principle Related reading." Circuit offer their apologies for these discrepancies.

Karibuni Children: Spring Newsletter 2022

I have received some copies of the Karibuni Children Spring Newsletter that should be available in the vestibule for anyone who is interested in the progress of one of the charities that we support.

"We aim to raise awareness about the plight of children living on the streets and in the slums in areas of urban and rural poverty in Kenya; and to raise money to support projects to meet their needs."

<https://www.karibuni.org.uk/>

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.

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

In your prayers please remember Peter O'Brien who has Parkinson's and is becoming increasingly frail, and continue to pray for Patsy & Vic Gutteridge who have both recently had Covid, 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.

Please include in your prayers all our members and friends who have any illness or infirmity. Prayers and Blessings to all at Ruislip Manor and beyond - stay safe.

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

Friday 27th May:

This week we pray for all at Hayes Methodist Church Uxbridge

We bring MHA our partner in the Live-at-Home scheme and all Methodist homes to God in prayer.

We also pray for the people who live in Bessingby Road and Beverley Road

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

Following some discussion, it was agreed at the Church Council meeting on 17 March 2022 to lift most of the Covid precautions.

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 and those who don't - the two central seating blocks will be 'open seating' and the seating blocks either side 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.

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

Items for the News sheet for Friday 3rd June to **Janet Miles** , by email

newsletter@rmmc.org.uk

by **Wednesday 1st June**, please