

Ruislip Manor Methodist Church

Sunday 17th July 2022

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SERVICE ON SUNDAY 17th July

10.45am Ruislip Manor Methodist Church: Revd Jennifer Potter, MHA

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.

Refreshments

Many thanks to those who have taken a turn recently serving refreshments, and to Nola and Janet M for their continued service; however, please don't leave it to the same people every week. Sign up now, on the noticeboard in the Coffee Lounge - and speak to Nola or Janet M if you're not sure what's entailed. If you have a favourite charity and offer assistance, your charity can benefit from donations made on the day. Please note that if nobody is signed up to do refreshments, there won't be any!

Prayer Requests

In your prayers please remember Val and Jon Pope, Jon is now home and improving, also remember Peter O'Brien who has Parkinson's and is becoming increasingly frail, and continue to pray for Patsy & Vic Gutteridge Vic has been diagnosed with Prostate Cancer and is awaiting treatment.

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

We Pray also for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,

we pray for the people of Ukraine today.

We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.

We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,

that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.

We pray for those with power over war or peace,

for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,

that you would hold and protect them.

We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

Amen

Archbishop Justin Welby Archbishop Stephen Cottrell

Friday15th July:

This week we pray for all at Ruislip Methodist Church

We bring Action For Children and All We Can to God in prayer.

We also pray for the people who live in Kingswear Road and Seaton Gardens

This Ukraine Update has just been received from All We Can.

There has been an unprecedented response from churches, Circuits, community groups and individuals to the call for support. Since mid-March, one of the appeal's humanitarian aid partners has been working in Poland, and west and central Ukraine, to provide emergency assistance to Ukrainian refugees who have fled to Poland. This work has also supported people who had left their homes in Ukraine because of the conflict, but have stayed in the country. Thanks to money raised through the appeal, work is being supported in several key areas. This includes trauma-sensitive mental healthcare for volunteers in Ukraine delivered by psychologists and mental health professionals; Psychological First Aid training for staff and volunteers in Poland; hygiene kits; and packages of essential items such as towels, bedlinen, cleaning supplies and toiletries for those fleeing the violence. More than 4,000 people will be reached through this part of the appeal response alone. The appeal is also supporting the United Methodist Church in Ukraine to respond to the large number of people fleeing from the war. Their efforts are focussing on finding accommodation for refugees as well as providing food, hygiene products, medicine, and helping with expenses such as rent, travel, and communication.

Similarly, efforts are currently underway to process financial support to other Methodist church partners in neighbouring countries to support them in their response to the refugee crisis.

At the Warsaw offices of the United Methodist Church in Ukraine, accommodation is being made suitable for families. This situation has been repeated at numerous United Methodist Churches across Poland. The Superintendent Andrzej Malicki says: "It's a huge challenge for our churches, which are quite small. But we have opened our homes and churches where we can. We don't call them refugees; we call them our guests. We try to help in all ways possible but no one knows how long this will last. "

Since the conflict started, many community groups have started within Ukraine, with the aim of helping those who have left their homes. The groups are working to support families with practical help, and have set up projects such as soup kitchens to offer warm food, information and other support. Money from the appeal will support some of these groups as they adapt and offer help. Likewise, where people are living inside churches and other communal buildings in Ukraine, equipment such as washing machines and showers are being provided through the United Methodist Church in Ukraine to make them more comfortable.

With no end in sight to the violence in Ukraine, it is critical that effort is focused on providing sensitive support that responds to what people need while they face the continued upheaval and trauma of war. In the weeks and months ahead, the appeal will move into helping meet the longer-term needs of refugees and those who have fled their homes through cash payments which means recipients can use the money for what they need In addition, child-friendly safe spaces will be established in each of the locations where registration for cash grants is taking place. These spaces will provide critical opportunities for children to seek respite, play, and interact with other children during an incredibly challenging period.

The situation and needs in Ukraine and neighbouring countries are constantly changing, this is something which will be reflected in our reporting to you, ensuring that we are transparent and accountable at all stages. All We Can sees this being a protracted crisis; meaning that a significant portion of a population is facing a heightened risk of death, disease, and breakdown of their livelihoods. Therefore, we see this emergency response being a long-term effort, rather than short-term. As mentioned above, we are committed to supporting refugees, externally or internally displaced, it's a long-standing part of our history and something we are very proud of. Your support couldn't be more vital, as the war continues with no end in sight, and thousands of Ukrainians remain uncertain of their future. Thank you again for all your support this far. I look forward to providing you with an in-depth report in the coming weeks and months.

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.