



Ruislip Manor Methodist Church

Sunday 17th May 2020

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Thy Kingdom Come – Ascension to Pentecost 2020

Join the global wave of prayer calling all Christians to pray between Ascension and Pentecost for more people to come to know the love and peace of Jesus Christ. May 21st - May 31st 2020.

We will all be receiving a Prayer Journal through our letterboxes ready for Ascension Day, Thursday 21st May. Do please make use of it.

Every single day hundreds of millions of our brothers and sisters around the world say the prayer Jesus put on our lips, praying 'Thy Kingdom Come'. In the past few years, the focus of our prayers in these days between Ascension and Pentecost has been for the coming of the God's Kingdom in the lives of family and friends, neighbours and colleagues that they might come to faith and know the peace and love of God. So the first thing you are asked to do is to write the names of five people for whom you will pray.

With any prayer the one praying, the pray-er, is called to action. So, this year in Thy Kingdom Come, we are encouraged both to pray that others might encounter the love of God in Christ, and that they would experience that love in action. 'Prayer and Care'. Particularly apt during the current pandemic when we are probably even more of the needs of others. By care, by contact, by service – we seek to serve as Christ serves.

6pm Sunday 17th May

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

NB Different log in and password to last week. Click on: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82265863196?pwd=aGpJUXJxOFkzcldZUXFBZGMzSmVQU09>

Meeting ID: 822 6586 3196

Password: **811821**

From a landline: 0203 481 5240

7.30pm Monday 18th May we continue with 'The Bible Course', produced by the Bible Society. ***Don't worry if you missed the first one.*** It was an enjoyable start. I hadn't realised that apart from his work against slavery William Wilberforce was one of the original founders of the RSPCA. Other Christians were also involved including Lord Erskine who had introduced an anti-cruelty bill which was passed in the House of Lords but was defeated in a vote in the House of Commons. Erskine in his parliamentary speech combined the vocabulary of animal rights and trusteeship with a theological appeal to biblical passages opposing cruelty.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88548957327?pwd=WEpUSmxNYXV4dTJZWFIOTURuSnVrUT09>

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Password: 960040

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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'

In the first of a series of items in which someone connected with Ruislip Manor Methodist Church will share thoughts on some of the resources which they have found helpful during our time away from the church building, I shall set the ball rolling. I have found the half-hour service on BBC1 on Sunday mornings very worshipful, and I appreciate its use each week of archive recordings, from Songs of Praise, of hymns sung by a congregation at the cathedral where that week's service is based. That service is followed by a programme in which Revd Kate Bottley reports on stories of 'faith, hope and spirituality': this got off to a good start last Sunday. Songs of Praise itself is coming into its own, and seems to be focussing mostly on well-known hymns and modern worship songs. Also, if I'm up in time and I remember that it's on, my Sunday gets off to a good start with the Sunday Worship service at 8.10 am on Radio 4.

Andrew Bracey

Birth Announcement



Vic and Patsy Gutteridge are delighted to announce the long awaited and safe arrival of their granddaughter Darcy Moira Elsie on Saturday 2nd May. She weighed in at 8lb 12oz and is the joy of her parents John and Carla.

Prayer Requests

Please continue to pray for :-

Carol whose sister June died recently.

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.

Friday 15th May:

This week we pray for the people who live in Linden Avenue and Lynmouth Drive . We also pray for God's love to strengthen all of us at South Harrow Methodist 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>

Items for the News sheet for Friday 22nd May to **Janet Miles** ,by newsletter@rmmc.org.uk by **Wednesday 20th May** , please