

Ruislip Manor Methodist Church

Sunday 14th June2020

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

Our 6pm Zoom service is just a short service and time to meet up with friends. Do try something more substantial on Sunday mornings. The Methodist Church of GB recommended Sunday morning services can be found at: https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/worship/singing-the-faith-plus/seasons-and-themes/worship-during-the-coronavirus-pandemic/

Short United Service & 'Coffee': Sunday 14th June 6pm

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83743693527?pwd=dEZGWHkwQ291SnRLYUVBVzNldHU4dz09

Meeting ID: 837 4369 3527. Password: 303158. Landline: 0203 051 2874

Just 3 sessions left of the <u>Bible Course</u> and now all New Testament. A good place to start if you haven't already tried these evenings! This week a whistle-stop tour of 'Jesus and the Gospels' picking up some key themes and ways of approach.

The Bible Course: Monday 15th June 7:30pm

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82808681756?pwd=SFhBaHphM0pPOTlwaExWWTJTSitPdz09

Meeting ID: 828 0868 1756. Password: 747466. 0203 051 2874

A Prayer from Premier Christian Radio

"Father, we thank you for how churches have managed to keep getting the gospel out while in lockdown. Thank you for Zoom, Facebook, phones and email!

Thank you that people can access talks, music and the Bible so easily nowadays.

Help us to realise how blessed we are in modern times.

We also long to see our family again and pray that it becomes safe to do so soon.

Amen"

Christians Against Poverty's <u>Church Resources page</u> now features brand new money management resources. These provide practical support for those struggling with money at this time. You can find:

- Money management tips from CAP's founder, John Kirkby.
- CAP's budgeting worksheet, to help you keep track of your finances.

Guidance on changes to debt, universal credit and more.

Virtual MHA Sunday Service 2020 Covid-19 memorial and remembrance service Sunday 14 June, 3pm

https://www.mha.org.uk/get-involved/campaigns/mha-sunday/

Most of you will just use one click on the long series of numbers and letters to get into the Zoom meetings. For those of you who need to enter manually I'm told it's easier to just use www.zoom.com/join - it's much easier to type in, and then just asks for the meeting ID and then the password to get in.

Wedding Anniversary



Many Congratulations to June and Bob who are celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary on Thursday 18th June.



I have received the latest Newsletter from Karibuni Children who have managed to raise over £40,000 from their recent appeals to provide food for the children that they are sponsoring in Kenya, who now can no longer receive meals at the closed schools. They have sent funds to provide basic foodstuffs for 4 months to the 700 families that they are sponsoring. Food prices there have increased by at least 50%.

In Kenya there is a nightly curfew being enforced brutally by the police (it is reported that at least 12 people have been killed and more have died as an indirect result) and casual labourers are having to choose between any available work to pay for food and rent; or staying home to reduce the chances of infection.

One of our partner projects, where Karibuni Children sponsor 80 children, is at Njoro, near Nakuru, 100 miles northwest of Nairobi. Responding to news of Karibuni's emergency grant for April, Henry Nteere, who chairs the project says:

"We now know one thing for a fact and that is most of the parents/guardians of these children are no longer able to get the usual menial jobs they used to depend on for livelihood. This is because many of the people that used to give them those jobs are now at home or are working from home and therefore doing their domestic chores themselves. Finally I want to thank the Trustees for the generosity and most importantly, for their concerns for the poor children and families supported at the Wesley-Njoro project. It is at a time like now that one really gets to know who the true friends are. And these families now know they have a friend in the UK called 'Karibuni Children' who truly cares. May God bless Karibuni Children whose thoughts are always with these very needy children. God bless! Henry."

As this is a Methodist Charity with connections to a former Superintendent I think it worth publicising, although we support others. There are some details on their web site below.

https://www.karibuni.org.uk/thank-you/

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My Recommendations

Like others, I have tuned in to the live-streaming from Wesley Chapel a couple of times and tried (but failed – probably due to our own internet issues) to watch a Westminster Central Hall service. Somehow, I couldn't quite relate to the Wesley Chapel services, possibly as they seemed a little impersonal and 'unreal' in an empty chapel. Not being a Zoom fan, I haven't, as yet, tried Roger's service - to which, I am sure, I'd be able to relate far more comfortably...if only my brain would stay alert enough to remember when to join the group!!! In the meantime – and I'm putting this offering very tentatively and without wish to cause 'competitive' offence! – I've watched several of the recorded services on the Ruislip Baptist Church website. (As many of you will know, RBC was my church for the last 16 or so years, so I'm familiar with the faces and hymns.) The services are on their website for at least a month; each is about half an hour's duration; Senior Minister, Derek, who was formerly a Christian singer, has a wonderful voice and is usually accompanied by his wife, Carrie, on the keyboard and daughter, Lottie, on violin. The words of the hymns appear on the screen, so you can join in. Barry, the Junior Minister sometimes takes part...and there has also been participation by Lucy, the Children's Worker and John, the Youth Worker. The services feature a short children's talk at the beginning, readings (usually video recorded by various church members in their own homes/gardens), prayers and a short sermon, as well as (currently each week) a brief interview with a keyworker member of RBC. They are blessed to be able to do this because they have a huge membership (over 300). I would not try to lure you away from RMMC – and I will be trying to organise myself better so I can join the RMMC Zoom group on a Sunday evening! – but would recommend those of you who are able to make a visit to the RBC website.

Eileen Runkel

Retiring

Revd John Swarbrick is retiring and leaving the Harrow and Hillingdon Circuit this year, his Farewell Service is scheduled to be held on Sunday 19th July at Wealdstone Methodist Church. Refreshments will be served from 4pm and the service will start at 6pm.

The Circuit would like to present John with a gift to thank him for his time with us.

If you would like to make a contribution towards this gift please can you let Graham have your contribution by Sunday 28th June.

Cheques should be made payable to 'Harrow & Hillingdon Methodist Circuit'.

Thank you

Prayer Requests

Please pray for Chris, Sylvia's son in law, who is undergoing tests at the moment, and 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 12th June:

This week we pray for everyone at Cannon Lane Methodist Church.

We bring All We Can to God in prayer.

We also pray for the people who live in Sunnydene Avenue and Tiverton Road

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

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

