



# Ruislip Manor Methodist Church

Sunday 21st February 2021

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I came across a quotation, 'You get closer to God by subtraction rather than addition.' But then I came found some notes pointing out that Jesus went into the wilderness for positive reasons: to prepare himself for his ministry. So that over Lent we should focus on positive growth as Christians rather than on negative giving up. Whether you reflect on the negatives or positives I hope you can use this Lent to grow closer to God. And I hope that the Lenten Booklet, 'Woven', that you should have received, will be something you can use in either the Monday evening group or for your own devotions.

Joy to you, Roger

## Churches called to unite in prayer for our NHS

As Covid-19 threatens to overwhelm our health service and continues to inflict pain and loss, the Baptist Union of Great Britain has brought together five pointers to help churches and individuals as you pray. These have been written by a senior A&E nurse in a large teaching hospital:

- Pray for all the NHS staff for their own safety, energy and peace in dealing with each and every patient.
- Pray for those in hospital leadership, for wisdom and for good decisions to give the best outcomes for patients.
- Pray for patients; for healing, for peace and ultimately to fight this disease and get home and pray for their relatives who feel helpless.
- Pray for the vaccine, that it will and is working against this latest strain of Covid-19.
- Pray for a reprieve and an end to Covid-19.

Christians are also encouraged to get in touch with people they know personally who are working in the NHS, letting them know you are praying for them and asking them how you can pray specifically.

## **6pm Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> February Evening Service led by Susan Bracey**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85840199861?pwd=WERWMERNMGRUV0JOZEtkdTRZRCt0Zz09>

Meeting ID: 858 4019 9861 Passcode: 153864 Landline: 0203 051 2874

***NB – this is a different link to the usual one for Sunday services.***

## **Lent Course: 'Woven'. 7.30pm Monday 22nd February 2021**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86333387340?pwd=ZkRGbHU5b1ZoTlZyUFVoaS83dW5nZz09> Meeting ID: 863 3338 7340. Passcode: 358553. Landline: 0203 051 2874

## **Circuit Zoom Service**

Join us at **10.45am** each Sunday morning to share in worship with others from around the Circuit. If you are unable to attend your Church service and would like to continue online worship- this is for you!

The Circuit Zoom Service this **Sunday, 21st February** will be led by **Local Preacher, Mr Peter Davis**

Log into Zoom using the following details

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88601433540?pwd=VjZYUzBEVEFsOHdxS2VRRENUMzlsUT09>

**Meeting ID: 886 0143 3540**

**Passcode: 611964**

## Church Council Meeting

A reminder the next church council meeting will be held via zoom on Thursday 11th March. The General Church Meeting will also be combined with the Church Council meeting. Please send nominations for Church Stewards & Church Council Representatives to Roger Dunlop by Monday 22nd February.

Additionally, if you have an item to add to the agenda for this meeting please let Roger know by Monday 22nd February. Thank you.

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## POSTERS OF HOPE & GRATITUDE for Church

We are planning to make posters to hang in 5 of the windows in Church, for passers by to see, to reflect the things we are still grateful for, during this very long lockdown. The pictures in the posters will include images to reflect such things as: Kindness, Nature, Family Time, Creativity, Walks in the Woods.

If anyone would like to make a poster, please contact Val Graham email:valgraham@btinternet.com

The paper for the poster, and coloured paper to create the images will all be provided.

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## This is a Reminder for the Easter Celebration Newsletter ( So far only one item has been given to me!)

We are hoping to produce an Easter Celebration Newsletter, would you be able to contribute an item? It could be about your experience in lockdown, how your group has been keeping in touch, a poem or something that you have found interesting, something you have written, a photograph or drawings, something funny, or anything else you think will brighten our days. I'm sure there are lots of good ideas out there! So please put your thinking caps on !

Please send your contributions to [newsletter@rmmc.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@rmmc.org.uk) by Tuesday 2nd March

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## Woven – our District Lent Course

If you would like to take part in the discussions based on this, but cannot get to our evening sessions on Mondays in Lent (or would like a preview), Wesley's Chapel are also following the same Lent Course. Their short 'Service of the Word', with sermons following a theme every Thursday at 12.45pm, will be re-starting during Lent. The service remains available on YouTube for later viewing if that time is not convenient.

On the following Sunday afternoon they have Zoom fellowship starting at 5pm (17.00hr) with the option to join a Bible Study breakout group at 5.30pm (17.20hr) to discuss the theme of the service. You can come & go any time between 5&6pm. The session ends at 6pm, just in time to join our own evening Zoom Service. Wesley's Chapel have an improved system for requesting links to their Zoom meetings. Go to their web site <https://www.wesleyschapel.org.uk/livestreaming/> and click on the event in the "COMING UP AT CITY ROAD" list of events along the right hand side of the screen. (If the link does not work searching for "wesleys chapel events" should find the page.)

You will then be taken to a page giving details of the event and an option to "SIGN UP". Enter your name and email address on the form and click on 'Proceed'. You should receive an automated email message with the Zoom link details near the end.

Contact details to join 'Woven' or other Zoom meetings at Wesley's Chapel

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## Spring Harvest

Spring Harvest is taking place online again this year, from 4th to 8th April. Unlike last year, this year's event will be ticketed. Ticket prices start at £55 which gives full access to the event for two devices in the same household, with the ability to catch up on sessions missed until the end of April. More information is available from the Spring Harvest website at: <https://springharvest.org/springharvesthome21> .

## Prayer Requests

We pray for

Graham and Jess. Graham starts his chemotherapy and immunotherapy at Mount Vernon on Tuesday (23rd Feb) .

Please also 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 19th February:

This week we pray for everyone at Hayes Methodist Church

We bring Ruislip Methodist Church and St Paul's Church to God in prayer.

We also pray for the people who live in Ashburton Road and Bempton Drive

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



### CIRCUIT PRAYER MEETING

All are welcome to join our Circuit Prayer Meeting every Thursday morning starting at 9am and finishing by 9.30am. Currently, the Circuit Mission Strategy is focusing on Prayer and we look forward to praying together.

Please find Login details below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84168659990?pwd=NWpOcW1YNIRSeIdHVU1iaVXWGgwQT09>

**Meeting ID: 841 6865 9990**

**Passcode: 296725**

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**Let's connect**

**When:** Thursdays from 18 February @ 8.15pm

**Where:** via Zoom

**How to sign up:** [www.ruislipbaptistchurch.org/events](http://www.ruislipbaptistchurch.org/events)  
or [office@ruislipbaptistchurch.co.uk](mailto:office@ruislipbaptistchurch.co.uk)

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Items for the News sheet for Friday 26th February to **Janet Miles** , by email

[newsletter@rmmc.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@rmmc.org.uk) by **Wednesday 24th February**, please