

Spring is on the way

United Benefice of Corley Parish Church & St Mary & All Saints Church, Fillongley with Fillongley Methodist Church



Anglicans and Methodists in Unity.

Dear Friends,

I do hope that the new lockdown has been gentle on you so far. It is hard to retreat once again into our homes and to not see those that we love but there is great hope that this lockdown may the 'beginning of the end' of this dreadful pandemic. The three vaccines that have now been approved for use in the UK are being rolled out, in a way that has never been seen before. As I write this, nearly 2.7 million people have already received a vaccine. An incredible logistical feat that only our wonderful NHS could achieve but we too, are all asked to play our part, to take responsibility for ourselves and each other, to stay at home, save lives and protect the NHS. This is indeed a very practical example of Jesus' exhortation to love our neighbours as ourselves.

As you know, we have suspended in-person communal worship in our churches for the time being, a decision that will be reviewed at the end of January. I am hopeful that, if the current restrictions have helped to reduce the infection rates, we may be able to resume services sometime in February. However, I am mindful that Lent is fast approaching and wanted to think about how we can support our discipleship during Lent. I was hoping to be able to run the Church of England's Pilgrim* course, with us gathering in one of the church rooms, enjoying each other's company and of course coffee and cake! Unfortunately, that won't be an option this year, but gathering by the wonder of technology that is Zoom is. So, I am planning to run a daytime and an evening course via Zoom for anyone who is interested. Pilgrim is an accessible course that is open to anyone. It doesn't matter if you are just curious about the Christian faith, a new Christian or someone who has a lot of Christian experience. Pilgrim is for you.

Pilgrim will run for 6 weeks on Mondays from 22nd February, weekly until March 29th (the Monday of Holy Week). Each of the sessions is 'stand-alone', so if you have to miss a session you can easily catch up. Because we all have different commitments, the sessions will be at 10am or 7pm, so hopefully one of those times will be convenient for you. There is a book to support your participation in the course, so if you are interested please could you let me know if you are interested as soon as possible so that I can order the books. I'm afraid that you will have to supply your own coffee and cake, but the fellowship will be just as rich via Zoom as it would have been in person. If you are unable to access Zoom via a computer you can dial-in on a telephone and still be fully involved in the sessions. If you want to know more before committing yourself, then please don't hesitate to get in touch.

So, as we hunker down in our homes, please do join in a weekly act of Holy Communion via YouTube or join in the new Zoom Sunday evening prayer service. The church building may be closed, but Church isn't. We are all still praying and worshipping God. We are still loving God and loving our neighbours, it just looks a little bit different at present. If, however, this lockdown is tough for you, then please do not hesitate to get in touch with me, Revd Jane or any of the church team. We are always here to listen and help in any way we can.

Take good care of yourself and each other.

Love and prayers

Ali

Ali Massey is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Service of the Word

Time: Jan 10, 2021 05:00 PM London

Every week on Sun, until Feb 7, 2021, 5 occurrence(s)

Jan 10, 2021 05:00 PM

Jan 17, 2021 05:00 PM

Jan 24, 2021 05:00 PM

Jan 31, 2021 05:00 PM

Feb 7, 2021 05:00 PM

Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

Weekly:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZEpcOyrpjsvH9xqr1bThRHBmOPXpCHGeHa3/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGtqjwvGdyVtRyPRpwMBo_CZ-nxiGJYgvpFjQ20ARRbUCvUO81yCqJcOP_V

Join Zoom Meeting

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^{*} http://www.pilgrimcourse.org

Here are the links to Sunday's Services on YouTube ~

https://voutu.be/3kORm8c2XkE

Common Worship Holy Communion

https://youtu.be/8GnkavVD5bQ

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) Holy Communion

Readings and Prayers for Sunday 17th January 2021 The 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

Collects

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Readings

1 Samuel 3: vs 1-10

Psalm 139

Revelation 5: vs 1-10

John 1: vs 43 - end



Reflections

You will find Revd Ali's reflection for this Sunday attached to this bulletin

HYMNS & WORSHIP SONGS

Here are the Hymns that we would have been singing in Church this Sunday:-

O Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end (StF 563)

O, God you search me and you know me (StF 728)

Here is the link to this beautiful worship song written by Bernadette Farrell

O God, You Search Me | B. Farrell | Catholic Church Choir | Sunday 7pm Choir & Friends - YouTube

Let him to whom we now belong (StF 557)

Will you come and follow me? (StF 673)

PRAYERS



We continue to pray for our world, our nation, our communities, our families and friends, and for ourselves.

A Prayer at the start of the year

Creator God, by whose spirit we exist so that we might bear fruit for you,
May we measure our lives this year not by what we achieve or possess,
But by how much we give, how many we love and how often we hear your
'well done, good and faithful servant'. **Amen**

"Messy Beatitudes" from the Bible Reading Fellowship

God's blessing is on and for:

Those whose lives are messy;

Those who are messed up by grief in this broken world;

Those who recognise their own mess:

Those who long to be free of the mess;

Those who care for the messy;

Those who experience release from the mess;

Those who put themselves at risk to mend the mess between others;

Those who are messed up by threats and hatred from others.

Amen

Loving God, Your Son Jesus Christ carried us to the cross and shed his blood for us and brought us into new community with you: help us to follow in his way, deny ourselves and take up the cross he gives us that the world may learn his way of peace. And when our hearts are broken, and when the burdens of this life feel too great to bear, take us to the cross, and enable us to see there the great weight that Jesus carried; for here we receive the affirmation of your love, the assurance of your promises, and the strength to persevere. For we ask it in his name. **Amen.**

REVD GRAHAM COLES ~ VICAR OF CUBBINGTON

We are sharing with you here some sad news about Graham Coles, Vicar of Cubbington, whom some of you will know through Coventry Diocesan Cursillo and perhaps other connections. Some of you will also know that Graham was diagnosed with cancer in 2001, but was given the all clear in 2012. Sadly, before Christmas, he was diagnosed with a rare form of cancer on his tongue. This is growing extremely rapidly and it has already started to spread.

Due to the devastating impact of Covid-19, there is a shortage of NHS hospital beds. His family are therefore seeking to raise funds for a private operation - you can read more here... https://www.gofundme.com/f/help-rev-graham-get-emergency-cancer-surgery?utm medium=copy link&utm source=customer&utm campaign=p lico+share-sheet

Please pray for Graham, his family, and the church community at Cubbington.

RESOURCES

Attached to this Bulletin are these items ~

- Reflection from Revd Ali for the Second Sunday of Epiphany
- Order of Service for Evening Prayer
- ♣ Order of Service for Holy Communion (BCP)
- Order of Service for Holy Communion (Common Worship)
- ♣ Bishop Michael Curry. Love's Soft Landing Church Times 8th January 2021.



AND FINALLY DON'T FORGET

If there is anything that you need or know of someone who would appreciate being contacted or added to the mailing list for this weekly e-bulletin, please do not hesitate to contact Revd Ali, Revd Jane or any of the Churchwardens and Church Stewards listed below.

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