

## Ideas to keep the children busy

Struggling to find things to keep the children busy? There are plenty of ideas on the internet including loads of ideas for things to do on [ministry-to-children.com](http://ministry-to-children.com), try the following link for loads of ideas to keep children of all ages busy <https://ministry-to-children.com/online-ministry-when-church-is-cancelled/>

## Virtual Seeds Toddler Group

Julie will be broadcasting craft videos on Facebook that the children can watch and then do at home. Search for 'Peasedown Methodist Children and Family Worker' or follow this link <https://www.facebook.com/Peasedown-Methodist-Children-and-Family-Worker-113133863404957/>

## Palm Sunday Colouring

Why not colour this in and send to someone, or put it in your window?

We'd all love to see your works of art so please send David a photo and he can show some on Palm Sunday.



Charles Beattie  
<http://ministry-to-children.com>

**March Birthdays** 30th Trish Pallister, 31st Molly Abram

**April Birthdays** 1st Matthew Gillard, 2nd Jill Souter & Jason Seymour, 11th Bailey Pulsford, 16th Julie Winstanley, 17th Karah Parry

**April Anniversaries** 2nd Michelle & Mark Ireland

*Please send anything for the next notices to Nick by 9th April*



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## Notices for Passion Sunday, 29th March and Palm Sunday, 5th April



**The church is not closed!**

**Due to the Coronavirus we have closed the church building for all users, including Sunday worship services, but the building is not the church, you are the church, we are the church together.**

**We might be isolated, but we are not alone, God is always with us.**

### Can you help?

The helpline has seen a significant increase in calls this week and there is a need for more volunteers. Specifically we need someone (perhaps two people taking a couple of days each) who has good mobile network coverage to hold the phone and take calls.

Some people call just to speak to someone because they are lonely.  
Could you be someone who could speak to them?

Some people need help of some kind, such as picking up and delivering prescriptions. If you have a current DBS certificate could you help?

Please speak to Andrew or email andyday1973@hotmail.com  
if you can help in any way.

### Keep in Touch

During the 'lock-down' it's even more important than normal to keep in touch with each other, especially for those people who are on their own. A phone call for a chat and to share a prayer can make all the difference. Please remember to keep in contact with your pastoral visitor.

### Thursday Bible Study at Home

We are continuing with Thursday Bible Study at home. We will deliver (without breaching the 2 metre rule) a set of Bible Study notes each fortnight and if you have feedback you can let us have that. Even if you don't normally attend the group you are still welcome to the notes. Please contact Ian Souter on souterfam@aol.com or 433251.

### A Virtual Church Choir

The National Methodist Choir want to provide all singers from all denominations, and all corners of the globe, an opportunity to come together and worship God with our voices. See [www.nmcgb.org/](http://www.nmcgb.org/) for details of how to get involved.

### Green Tip of the Week

Keep an eye on the wildlife outside your window and report what you see to Peasedown Environment Group Wildlife on Facebook and see what others are seeing.

### Sunday Worship, 10:30am

### Daily Worship, Monday - Saturday, 7pm

We cannot meet, but we can still worship together! David is leading Sunday and Daily Worship which is broadcast live on Facebook. For those you who are on Facebook search for 'Peasedown St. John Methodist Church' or follow this link <https://www.facebook.com/Peasedown-St-John-Methodist-Church-341040485988824/>

If you have internet access, but don't have a Facebook account, then don't worry you can still view the broadcasts from the homepage of the Church website, visit <http://www.peasedownmethodist.org/> and look in the bottom, right corner.

### Other Sunday Services

If you don't have internet access then the BBC are broadcasting Sunday Services on radio and television:

Radio 4 - Sunday Worship - 8am

BBC1 - Sunday Worship - Times vary, but around 11:30am

BBC1 - Songs of Praise - 1:15pm

There are also radio stations such as Premier and UCB that broadcast on DAB radio.

### A Prayer for a Pandemic

May we who are merely inconvenienced  
Remember those whose lives are at stake.

May we who have no risk factors

Remember those who are vulnerable.

May we who have the luxury of working from home

Remember those who must choose between  
preserving their health or making their rent.

May we who have the flexibility to care for our children when their schools close

Remember those who have no options.

May we who have to cancel our trips

Remember those who have no safe place to go.

May we who are losing our margin money in the tumult of the economic market

Remember those who have no margin at all.

May we who settle in for a quarantine at home

Remember those who have no home.

As fear grips our country,

Let us choose Love.

During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other,  
Let us find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbours.

Amen.

(author unknown)