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Easter Sunday 4th April

10:30am Online Worship Led by Rev Ian Souter

Sunday 11th April

10:30am Online Worship Led by Rev David Winstanley

Easter Sunday, 10am – 12noon

In addition to live streaming the Easter morning service at 10:30am, we invite you to come to Church between 10am – 12noon to place flowers on the Easter cross, receive communion and to take part in a reflective Easter activity. These will all be outside within the Church grounds and you can take part in any or all of them and in any order.

NOTE: You will need to bring your own trowel to do the reflective activity. The car park will not be available for parking on this day.

Please maintain social distancing while in the Church grounds.

Children's Easter Trail – Monday 5th to Friday 9th April

We will be holding a Children's Easter Trail along Bath Road and Ashgrove from Monday 5th – Friday 9th April. The trail will start with a clue on the front door of the Church and then you need to follow the 10 clues to your final destination where you can collect a small prize. Although the trail is intended for children, anyone of any age may find it fun to do. You'll need to take a pencil and paper with you as you will need to answer some questions along the way!

Easter Offering

Envelopes for the World Mission Fund will be given out after Easter.

Messy Easter

Our Messy Easter was well received and 39 packs were given out to families to take part in the online activities which included crafts, a game, the Easter story and prayers.

Good News – Re-opening of Church Premises!

Sunday morning services in the Church building will resume on **Sunday 18th April**. For the time being, we will continue to use the fortnightly rota, with the same A and B lists, starting with those on list A. If you can't remember which list you are on please ask a steward!

If it is not your week, please still come along as there should be a seat for you. The old schoolroom, with a fixed TV screen, will be available for additional seating. Obviously, this date will be subject to change if the number of Covid cases increases and/or we feel that there is too much risk to meet and worship together.

The services will continue to be live streamed on our Church Facebook page and made available later each Sunday on the Church You Tube Channel (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYPhQdu95kMrGB6dCGjAlBQ). Alternatively copies of the service are available on DVD or CD, please contact Nick Martin or one of the stewards.



Wednesday Morning Prayer - Every Wednesday from 10am - 12noon

Our weekly time for quiet prayer and reflection has now resumed each Wednesday from 10am – 12pm. If you can steward this for an hour, then Francis would love to hear from you on 01761 432531 or francisco.uk.

Prayer Walk – Every Friday (except Good Friday), 10:30am

Our community needs the prayers of God's people and one of the ways that we set up just before the pandemic was a weekly 'prayer walk'. It has been happening but it would be great to have one or two more to join. We set off from the Church at 10:30am and walk round a part of the village for about 40 minutes praying for the people in that area and any issues that God brings to mind. The prayer walks in April will be on Friday's 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th. Please do come and join us.

Re-opening Seeds Baby & Toddler Group

We have thought carefully about the safest way to reopen Seeds and have plans to start on Wednesday 28th April with up to 10 adults along with their children in the Church garden for a "bring your own" picnic from 11:30am until 12:30pm. Also starting on 28th April, we will have up to 6 mums with pre-walking babies meeting in the school room 10:00am – 11:00am. Parents will be required to sign up for the picnic through the Eventbrite link https://www.eventbrite.com/e/148485011667 which will be available from 9:00am on Monday 12th April. Anyone interested in joining the mums and babies' group should contact Julie.

Lighthouse

This week our Lighthouse children have each been given a copy of The Easter Story by Canon J John. We are hoping that Lighthouse will start meeting again on Thursday evenings from 6th May.

Youth Work Giving

We are looking forward, Government road-map permitting, to the resumption of active youth work in the village and we do ask your prayers for Chris and Meg. The churches in the village are supporting financially but if individual Church members felt able to give that would be great. If you would like to give then please visit https://www.give.net/peasedownyouthpartnership/oneoff or pass your gift to Ian Souter.

Terracycle Collection – Thursday 8th to Saturday 10th April, 10am – 11am

The next collections at Church will be on Thursday 8th, Friday 9th and Saturday 10th April from 10am to 11am. The following items can be recycled: crisp and snack packets, pens and felt-tips, inkjet cartridges, oral health products, pet food pouches, bread bags, biscuit and cake wrappers, sweet wrappers and spectacles. If you can't get to one of the collections then please let Ian Souter know to arrange collection. So far, we have kept 60kg out of landfill!

Online Games Night – 17th April, 7pm

Bored of Zoom quizzes? Then why not join Bath Youth for Christ for an online games night based on popular game shows and board games! £5 per household, pay at www.bath.yfc.co.uk and they'll send you the Zoom link. Proceeds in aid of Bath Youth for Christ mentoring project, supporting young people through Covid and beyond.

Repair Café – Saturday 24th April, 10am – 11am

The next Repair Café will be on Saturday 24th April. This won't be a full-scale Repair Cafe but will be a 'take away' version. Items can be dropped off between 10am – 11am and will be available for collection two weeks later.

Prayers for Schools

Jamie Prouse is an experienced teacher and leader in Spiritual at Selwood Academy in Frome and is also a Church member. He has had an enduring concern that prayer in schools is being lost and would love to see it remain in assemblies in our schools, so he's written a book! Prayers for Schools is a collection of over 180 simple, modern, reflective and considerate 21st century prayers for children. The forward is written by the Canon Reverend J John, international author and evangelist, who comments "When teaching children, we teach for a lifetime. They need the best we can offer and I'm glad these prayers do just that."

Jamie is keen to get this prayer book into as many schools in the area and in Churches, family homes and youth clubs as possible. Each book normally costs £11.99, however, each book purchased via the Church will only cost £10. If you would like to buy a copy, then please contact Jamie on 07449 335501 or jamieprouse@hotmail.com.

April Birthdays

1st Matthew Gillard, 2nd Jill Souter & Jason Seymour, 3rd Rose Ford, 11th Bailey Pulsford, 16th Julie Winstanley, 17th Karah Parry, 21st Ron Plummer & Lizzie Souter, 23rd Chris Midgley & Janis Scott

April Anniversaries

 2^{nd} Michelle & Mark Ireland, 30^{th} Marilyn & Nick Martin

Diary	Dates
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Dialy Dates		
Sunday 4 th April	10:00	Decorating the cross, communion and reflective Easter activity at Church
	10:30	Easter Sunday Worship on Facebook
Wednesday 7 th April	10:00	Church open for private prayer
Thursday 8 th April	10:00	Terracycle collection
Friday 9 th April	10:00	Terracycle collection
	10:30	Prayer Walk
	12:00	Foodbank
Saturday 10 th April	10:00	Terracycle collection
Sunday 11 th April	10:30	Sunday Worship on Facebook
Monday 12 th April	09:00	Sign up for Seeds via https://www.eventbrite.com/e/148485011667
Wednesday 14th April	10:00	Church open for private prayer
Friday 16 th April	10:30	Prayer Walk
	12:00	Foodbank
Saturday 17 th April	19:00	Bath Youth For Christ Online Games Night

Next Notices

Please let Nick have anything for the next notices by **Thursday 15th April.**

