

ST PETER & ST JOHNS CHURCH

Our Aim is to grow closer to God,
to grow closer to each other,
and to grow closer to the community

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY 22ND NOVEMBER

- 10:30AM MORNING WORSHIP ON ZOOM**
Rev'd Sheila Bridge, John Martin-Jones
Readings: Ezekiel 34: 11-16 & 20-24
Matthew 25: 31-46
- 3-4PM PRIVATE PRAYER IN CHURCH**
- 5:00PM BREATHE ON ZOOM**

THURSDAY 26TH NOVEMBER

- 12:30-1:30PM PRIVATE PRAYER IN CHURCH**
- 1:00PM CALL FOR PRAYER ON ZOOM**

ZOOM LOGIN DETAILS:

THE FOLLOWING LOGIN DETAILS CAN BE USED
FOR ALL ONLINE SERVICES WITH ST PETER & ST JOHNS

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88995546340?
pwd=Tmt4a01aMzdreUFTeTJHSmlvSVRsUT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88995546340?pwd=Tmt4a01aMzdreUFTeTJHSmlvSVRsUT09)

Meeting ID: 889 9554 6340

Passcode: 246810

To dial into the service from a landline please call 0203 4815240 and use meeting room ID listed above. You will be able to hear and be heard but you will not be able to see or be seen.

** Please note the zoom room will open 5 minutes before the service begins**

*Your word is a lamp to my feet,
and a light to my path.*

Psalm 119: 105

VERSE OF THE WEEK

Make them holy by your truth; teach them
your word, which is truth.
John 17:178 (NLT)

COLLECT

God the Father, help us to hear the call of
Christ the King and to follow in his service,
whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with
you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory.
Amen

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ECO CHURCH

WE ARE NOW AN AWARD WINNING

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In March 2017 our church signed up to the A Rocha UK Eco Church programme, an initiative aimed at supporting churches to care for God's world and to address climate change. We are now delighted to announce that our efforts have been recognised and we have, this week, been awarded a prestigious Silver Eco Church Award! But, our efforts must not stop now. Climate Change is happening and we must act together as a community to do everything we can to combat the effects. Over the next few months we will be sharing with you some of the steps we have already taken, the plans we have for the future and to highlight simple changes we can all adopt to live a more sustainable life so the world that God created can flourish.

TERRACYCLE RECYCLING UPDATE

We have joined two new schemes. We will now accept any brand flexible cheese packaging and certain beauty packaging. Please save your items for when we can open in December.

ELECTRIC CARS

This week we joined the Church of England webinar on Electric Vehicles (EV) and EV charging. So, why change from petrol & diesel vehicles to EV?

- 33% of greenhouse gas emissions came from transport in 2016
- Typically an EV charged at home will cost between £4-£6 per 100 miles rather than £13-£16 for petrol or diesel
- The sale of new petrol and diesel cars is due to cease by 2030.
- EVs attract zero rated road tax
- Clean Air Zones are expanding and soon diesels (and then petrol) vehicles will be banned from many (and then all) of our cities
- The Office for Low Emissions Vehicles (OLEV) offer grants for purchasing EVs and for installing home charging points
- The number of public charging points is increasing all the time and can be located on www.zap-map.com

For further information on grants for EVs and charging points visit: [www.gov.uk/government/organisations/office-for-low-emission-](http://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/office-for-low-emission-vehiclesenergy-saving-trust.org.uk/advice/electric-vehicles)

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(A useful all round resource from the Energy Savings Trust)

The Earth is the Lord's & the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein.

Psalm 24:1



FAIRTRADE

What's Fairtrade? Fairtrade is about better prices, decent working conditions, local sustainability, and fair terms of trade for farmers and workers in the developing world. By requiring companies to pay sustainable prices (which must never fall lower than the market price), Fairtrade tackles the injustices of conventional trade, which traditionally discriminates against the most vulnerable. It enables them to improve their position and have more control over their lives. **With Fairtrade you have the power to change the world every day.** With simple shopping choices you can get farmers a better deal. And that means they can make their own decisions, control their future and lead the dignified life everyone deserves.

WEEKLY ECO-TIP

WEEKLY ECO-TIP: It was World Toilet Day last Thursday 19th! Have you noticed that most toilet paper comes wrapped in plastic? Take a closer look at the packet to see if it can be recycled with other plastic bags at larger supermarkets or look for rolls wrapped in paper. Lots of brands are available on the internet. Rugby Unwrapped in the town centre also sell boxes too.

HANDY WEBSITES

<https://www.fairtrade.org.uk/>

<https://www.recyclenow.com/>

<https://biofriendlyplanet.com/>

<https://www.wildlifetrusts.org/features/garden-insects>

*"We are most effective as
believers when we join together
in love and prayer "*

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

PRAYERS FOR THE NATION

Loving God, you know us and all that we are facing. We thank you that we can come to you as we are – with all our fears and concerns, our difficulties and challenges. Please draw close to each of us and those we remember before you now. Bring to us your peace and comfort. And fill us with your Spirit that we may be bearers of your grace and hope to others. As a country protect us, encourage us and keep us. In the name of your Son Jesus we pray. **Amen.**

Lord Jesus Christ, In these dark and difficult days we turn our hearts to you. In ages past you have delivered our nation from disaster. Do it again we pray. Give Wisdom beyond human wisdom to our leaders. Give strength beyond human strength to the NHS and all our frontline workers. Give comfort beyond human comfort to children and the elderly and all who grieve. Lord, Jesus Christ. In these dark and difficult days, turn your face towards us, have mercy upon us, and heal our land we pray. **Amen**

Loving God, your Son Jesus Christ came that we might have life and have it abundantly; pour out your blessing upon our nation; where there is illness, bring your healing touch; where there is fear, strengthen us with the knowledge of your presence; where there is uncertainty, build us up in faith; where there is dishonesty, lead us into truth; where there is discord, may we know the harmony of your love; this we ask in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

Loving God, at this time of crisis when so many are suffering, we pray for our nation and our world. Give our leaders wisdom, our Health Service strength, our people hope. Lead us through these parched and difficult days to the fresh springs of joy and comfort that we find in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Loving Father God, be with us in our distress: with our families, friends and neighbours, our country and our world. Give health to the sick, hope to the fearful, and comfort to the mourners. Give wisdom to our frontline and key workers, insight to our government and patience to us all; Overcome disease with the power of your new life, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Dear God

We are grateful for all that you have given to us – this food, each other and our health. We pray for those who lack these things we enjoy. Give us thank full hearts and opportunities to share your gifts with others. We lift before you this country in these difficult days – and pray you would protect us, encourage us and keep us. **Amen.**

THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYERS

Louise Bradshaw, Kenneth Timson, Brian Copperwheat,
Edwina Goodwin, Rachael Coysh, Claire Boulton,
Claire Worster, Roy Jackson

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & MEMORIALS

Birthdays

15th Angie

Memorials

18th Clara Franklin & Nellie Nown



If you are ever feeling cut-off from Church for any reason, please don't forget about the free 'Daily Hope' telephone service set up by Archbishop of Canterbury.

*For with God nothing shall
be impossible.*

Luke 1: 37

NEWS AND NOTICES

CHRISTMAS

The good news of 'God with us' has not been cancelled! We have been planning how we can celebrate Christmas. You may want to note the following dates and times.

'BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE' on Wednesday the 16th 7:30 PM in church but also live streamed on Facebook. A quiet reflective service for any needing space to connect to the Christmas story from a place of sadness or loss.

ZOOM CAROL SERVICE, live streamed from inside the building 4 PM on Sunday the 20th Dec. The congregation for this service will be on Zoom, you can join on the usual church link.

CHRISTMAS IN BETHLEHEM' on Christmas Eve at 9 PM in church - a service of Holy Communion also Live Streamed on FB

CHRISTMAS DAY 10 AM Friday 25th - a service of Holy Communion also live streamed

****'WELCOME TO BETHLEHEM'** - at any time in December families and/or bubbles of 6 or less can take a self-guided walk around the church garden, finding figures and displays that will help unfold the Christmas story. Also, on each of the first three Saturdays of December, there will be 5 pre-bookable slots for families to come for their own personal Christmas in church experience featuring displays, a craft activity, a story, a song and free gift for children.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS: maybe instead of sending cards this year, you might like to send a photo of yourself either holding up your favourite tree decoration, wearing your Christmas jumper or even send a file with a clip of your favourite carol? Sheila is looking for 24 contributions such as the above to be added to our facebook page from Dec 1st to the 24th. Let me know if you'd like to take part and if there is a particular day you'd like to claim as yours! email sheila@peterjohnchurch.org.uk or call 01788 336763. If you can't take your own selfie Sheila will happily come and take a photo of you at your front door.

** Assuming the lockdown restrictions do lift, we hope to be able to offer the indoor "welcome to Bethlehem" family activity on each Saturday of December. Sheila will be hosting this event and the families will be attending in their own family groups. Sheila would really like to have another church member present to help with a little bit of cleaning and rearranging between each family visit. If you are able to offer either 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 PM or 2 PM to 4:30 PM please can you let Sheila know and she will construct a rota.

KENTON DENCE

Those of you who remember Kenton Dence, you may want to be aware that's funeral will be on Monday 23rd November at 10 AM at Rainsbrook crematorium

LOCKDOWN - CHURCH CLOSURE

Sunday morning services will continue to be on zoom until the end of this period of lockdown. So long as that is not extended we are planning to be back in the building from Sunday 6th December - but keep watching the newsletter for confirmation.

RAISE FUNDS WHEN YOU SHOP ONLINE BY USING EASY FUNDRAISING

This is an easy way of donating to the church with no extra cost to you. You need to register with easy fundraising & then each time you shop online use www.easyfundraising.com to find the site you want and start shopping. A donation is automatically made to PJs once the transaction is complete (it covers a lot of well known suppliers such as amazon, ebay, M&S, Argos, Sainsburys). Please consider using this way of giving when shopping for gifts or for yourselves whilst at the same time making a donation to this church.