

Woosehill Church



Worship for 22nd May

10:00am Morning Worship **Rev'd Sobe Sinnathamby**

Steward: Lynn Smith
Sidesperson: Ruth Smith
Reader: Lyn Brown
Prayers: Lyn Brown
Projector: Nava Sinnathamby
Audio Visual: Bob Clark
Coffee: Ruth Smith
Music: Recorded
Flowers: Linda Hoskins

The link for the live stream of this service is - https://youtu.be/WsrM_sV82il

*****AGM - THE AGM WILL TAKE PLACE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THIS SERVICE - PLEASE STAY FOR THIS IMPORTANT MEETING IF YOU ARE ABLE TO. THERE WILL BE CAKE !**

DIARY: This week -

Tues	7.15-8.30pm	Zoom Bible Study Meeting ID - 86147623913 Password - 702050 **or click on the link below
Wed	9.00-11.00am	Tadpoles
Thurs	10.00am-12midday	Art group -all very welcome

Tuesday Bible Study

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86147623913?pwd=ZCtpeEg1M2NrM2xERGCwaVZBbHlZdz09>

If you have any concerns please talk to the Minister or Steward on duty.

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Events & Notices

UPDATE FROM THE STEWARDS

With the lifting of all Covid legal requirements at the beginning of April, it has been decided to return to how we were in the Autumn with mask wearing being a matter of personal choice. As Lateral Flow Tests are no longer free, it has been decided to ask people to follow the government guidelines regarding Covid symptoms and attending church. Ventilation of the building and spacing of the chairs will continue. Any questions or concerns please contact the Stewards.

WoolWAM

At our monthly knit/crochet & natter group those ladies not working on their own projects are knitting for First Days charity who provide clothing & equipment for local families in need (we have had a link with First Days since the group started). So if you have any knitting wool that you don't need (especially double knitting), please pass on to Alison or any WoolWAM regular, who will ensure it is put to good use! Thank You

CHURCH MAGAZINE

The May/June edition of the Church magazine is now available - in paper copy at Church, via the Church website or attached to the email with this notice sheet!

THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATION - SUNDAY 5th JUNE

We will be holding a 'traditional' Woosehill BBQ after the 10.00am service to celebrate the Queen's 70 years on the throne. The plan is to eat around 12.30 - 1.00 (you can't hurry the chefs!) with activities, fun and frolics both before and after. Please let us know if you will be there. Can you bring a side dish - great if you can, but not essential - all contributions gratefully accepted! And/or, could you you bring a "Platinum Pudding" - now there's a challenge! Please let the Woosehill Stewards know if you will be there and if you can bring something - stewards@woosehillchurch.org

PRAYERS

If you would like prayers for yourself, your family or friends, please contact the Prayer Coordinator, Lynn Smith woosehillprayerchain@gmail.com or tel.07757 701730. Messages on the prayer chain are totally confidential and only seen by those Church members on the chain, if you would also like to be included in the intercessions on a Sunday morning then please let Lynn know.

VIRTUAL PRAYER WALK

On our virtual prayer walk around Woosehill, this week please pray for the residents of Hertford Close & Kent Close as part of our journey praying for all our neighbourhood.

REFLECTION FROM OUR MINISTER

Dear Friends,

The Ascension of Christ

This Thursday, 26th May, is the ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. The church celebrates this event 40 days after his resurrection and 10 days before Pentecost. The significance of this event is manifold, but in human terms this marks the completion of Christ's earthly mission.

Among the four gospels, Luke and Mark recorded this event. Mark is very brief, giving us a quick glimpse of Jesus being received up into heaven and being seated at the right hand of God, and also a brief reference to how he continued to empower and strengthen the missionary work of the disciples as they went about preaching and performing signs everywhere.

Luke places great weight on this event. He ends his gospel with the ascension and begins his second volume, the Acts, with reference to it. What is remarkable in Luke's record is his mentioning that the disciples were filled with great joy as they returned to Jerusalem from Bethany after the ascension. It is remarkable that the disciples, who were deeply troubled and filled with anxiety even after the resurrection, now apparently have a positive outlook about their future. What might have given them this change of heart?

There may be many possible explanations to this, but perhaps the most plausible one is that which we find at the very end of Matthew's gospel [28:18-20]. After giving the disciples the Great Commission, Jesus said, `I am with you always, even to the end of the age`. Although Matthew did not explicitly link this final part of his gospel to ascension, this is certainly one of the last interactions between Jesus and his disciples.

The words are filled with affirmation and assurance. The promise of the Holy Spirit has been given to them already. Now the assurance, that in the long road to their mission and ministry, they are not going to be on their own. This is perhaps the most spiritually revitalising tonic to them. So, they returned from the Mount of Olives near Bethany to Jerusalem where they stayed in an upper room, waiting for the Holy Spirit to come.

With prayers,
Soba-

Worship for 29th May

10:00am Café Church Home Team

Steward: Lyn Brown
Sidesperson: Alison Lewis
Reader: Alison Lewis
Prayers: John Hoskins
Projector: Iain Parker
Audio Visual: Geoff Peck
Coffee: Jeannie Dunsmoir
Music: Recorded
Flowers: Lynne Paine

Coming up in the next few weeks:

Sun 5 th June	10.00am 6.15pm	Holy Communion - Rev'd Soba Sinnathamby Reflective service-Rev'd Soba Sinnathamby
Sun 12 th June	10.00am	Morning Worship - Kim Tame
Sun 19 th June	10.00am	Holy Communion - Rev'd Cara Smart
Sun 26 th June	10.00am	Morning Worship - Rev'd Soba Sinnathamby

Please send any information for the notice sheet to
woosehill.church@googlemail.com before 8.00pm on **Wednesday**.

Thank you. Alison

If you have any enquiries or would like to speak to a minister for any reason, please contact Rev'd Soba Sinnathamby - soba.sinnathamby@hotmail.co.uk
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