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Dear friends,

I hope this finds you as well as possible? Amazingly, we are approaching our *fourteenth* Sunday out of the church building. In that time we have learnt to stay connected with God and each other in new ways as well as reviving some old ways, such as letter writing. Indeed, letters in the New Testament are providing the topics for our worship at the moment as we follow the last six sessions of the Circuit's "In Christ" theme.

For Sunday 28 June I am grateful to David Goulesbrough and Alistair Newton for providing our worship materials. You should find an interactive-style and preacher-led-style service sheet attached, both in a choice of formats. David and Alistair will also lead a service via Zoom for us on Sunday 28 June at 10:00am. A link to this and to a YouTube talk will be sent out separately.

We have held our first Congregational meeting by Zoom earlier this week. At that I introduced a paper produced by the URC moderators entitled "Ready for the New Normal". This document aims to help churches think about their mission through the Covid-19 situation and beyond. We plan to have an open church meeting based on this document on Monday 06 July at 7:30pm. I will paste the link to this meeting here but it would be very helpful if you could let me know if you intend to attend as I can then plan for discussion groups with prepared group leaders.

Open Church meeting via zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81364220032?pwd=VIN2VE9tK0tCdZQ2YkFNUTZUaU8wUT09> A reminder will be sent out nearer the time.

The Methodist Conference starts today and I will be joining that electronically. It will be live streamed and you can find details here: <https://www.methodist.org.uk/about-us/the-methodist-conference/conference-2020/conference-live-stream/>

Last Sunday morning at our worship by Zoom, Trudy Stewart shared details of the increased need at the Rawdon Food Bank. Some church members delivered food items to Trudy – for which many thanks. Trudy has said that full details about what is needed at this Food Bank can be found here: <https://bradfordnorth.foodbank.org.uk/>

Yours, sharing in the work of God's Kingdom,

Roberta