



Trinity Baptist Church

News Sheet

Sunday 22nd March 2020

Welcome to 'Trinity!'

Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, we are currently not able to physically meet together. All Sunday services, courses, small groups and activities have had to be cancelled or postponed, including Terry's leaving party, although Foodbank and Bexley Winter Shelter will be continuing. With this News Sheet is a suggested service plan you might like to use and a transcript of Andy's sermon for today on Philippians 1: 3 - 11. We are working on possibilities for bringing you a digital service or sermon; more on this soon.

For Your Prayers

- On this Mothering Sunday, thank God for the gift of mothers - for all they mean or have meant, for the love they have shown and the care they have given. Also bring before God those who find Mother's Day in any way difficult or who will find it hard to be isolated on this Mother's Day.
- Continue to pray for all our sisters and brothers across the world who have been, and are continuing to be, affected by COVID-19. We pray that all will know God's overwhelming, steadfast love. We pray for those who are particularly fearful at moment. We pray for the most vulnerable and isolated in our neighbourhoods. We pray for the medical staff on the front line of care and we pray for the government and all those leading the response to COVID-19 across the world.
- Pray for those who might feel the loneliness of isolation more acutely during this time, especially those who have been recently bereaved.
- Pray for those working to ensure the care of children who are vulnerable or children of key workers in schools, and pray for those who are anxious about what this will mean for their exam results.
- Pray for the Pastors and Deacons and Staff as they lead Trinity through this extraordinary time.

Buddy System

We have set up a buddy system for those in long term isolation so those people are supported by way of a regular text or phone call and perhaps helped with any shopping they need. If you can help with this, complete one of the following forms or ring Kerry on 07801627031:

<https://www.trinitybexleyheath.org.uk/coronavirus/coronavirus.php>
<https://www.trinitybexleyheath.org.uk/coronavirus/helping-those-in-isolation.php> If you are self-isolating for the foreseeable future, please complete the form, even if you have sufficient care, so we have an accurate picture of who has what support.

Prayer Support

The prayer ministry team (a group of about 10 people) are still very happy to pray for you. You can fill in a confidential prayer request on the Trinity website:

<https://www.trinitybexleyheath.org.uk/prayer/prayer-request.php>
Alternatively, you can ask Scilla Stirling to email the prayer chain (about 75 people from Trinity) via priscillastirling@yahoo.co.uk.

Trinity Diary

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| Monday 23rd March | 1 pm: Foodbank |
| Thursday 26th March | From 6 pm: Bexley Winter Shelter |
| Friday 27th March | 10.30 am: Foodbank |

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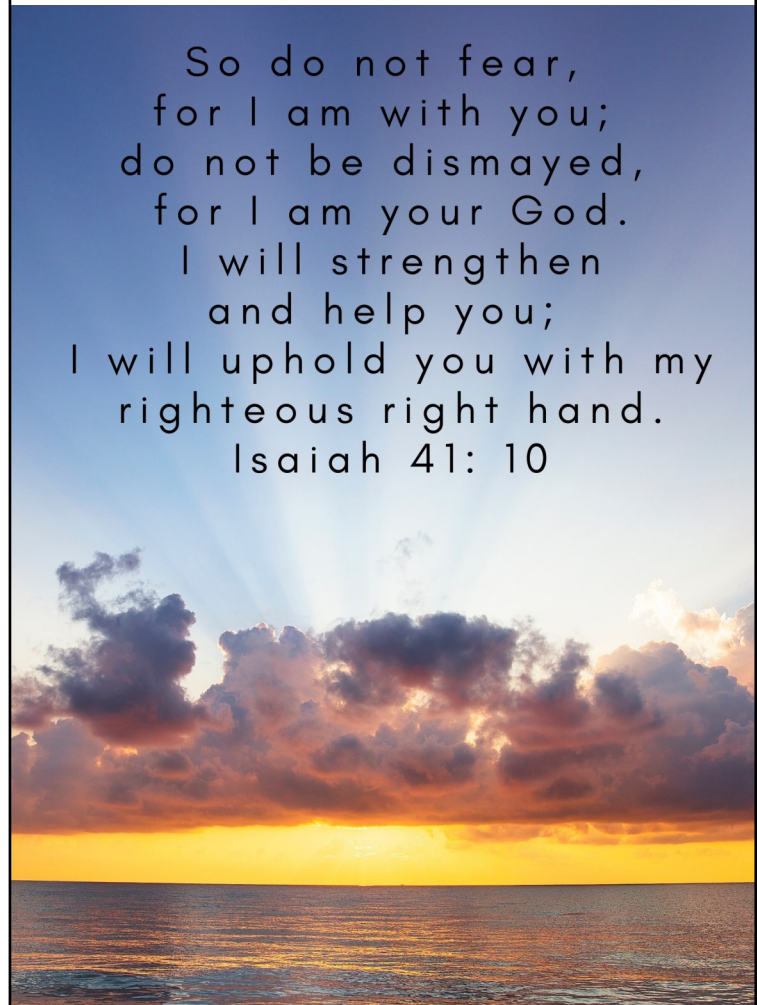
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One of our members had a vision in which God spoke into his anxiety with the first two lines of this quote, and that he felt it was a message God wanted to speak to us as a congregation, too.

So do not fear,
for I am with you;
do not be dismayed,
for I am your God.
I will strengthen
and help you;
I will uphold you with my
righteous right hand.
Isaiah 41: 10



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