

Lectionary Bible readings for this week: 2 Kings 2, 1—12; Psalm 50, 1—6; 2 Corinthians 4, 3—6; Mark 9, 2—9

Help us every day to discover something new about God's ways, about what God wants of us, and change the way we see the world, and the way we act. **Amen.**

Look out for the Lent Prayer Booklet which will be sent out this weekend.

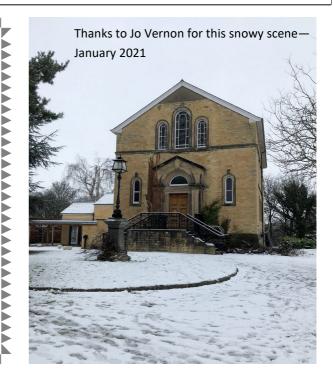
CHURCH COUNCIL:

Reminder for all members of Church Council, the next meeting is on **Tuesday 23rd February at 7.00pm** (via zoom)

From Barbara Hudson:

Can I thank everyone for their calls and best wishes after my wrist happening. They were much appreciated. I also have some family news. **Olivia,** our grand daughter has been appointed to her first proper job in a law firm. Working from home of course. She passed her Master's last year and got her law degree 3 years ago.

Any family news you wish included in 'Being Church' can be emailed to Jim Murison [james.murison@outlook.com].



☆ **Donald Milne** reports: ☆

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☆ ☆ Heather and the team really miss seeing the kids and $\stackrel{\frown}{\sim}$ Mums/Carers who come to Busy Bees - some will now \overleftrightarrow $\stackrel{\sim}{\star}$ have moved on to full-time Nursery, or even school!

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m \star}$ At Christmas, working with Kathryn and Alison at ☆ Clifford Chapel's 'Tots'nToys', we held a Zoom

☆ $\stackrel{\bigstar}{\sim}$ Christmas Party and that went down so well that we've started a series of online sessions, $rac{2}{2}$ giving the kids half an hour of songs, crafts and storytime, and the Mums a chance for a chat $rac{2}{2}$ \star afterwards. It's not the same as the real thing but it's a way to keep in touch. ☆ ☆ \checkmark

WHAT IS THIS FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT ALL ABOUT?

22 February to 7 March 2021

For two weeks each year at the end of February and start of March, thousands of individuals, companies and groups across the UK come together to share the stories of the people who grow our food and drinks. mine our gold and who grow the cotton in our clothes, people who are often exploited and underpaid.

In 2021, Fairtrade Fortnight will feel very different. 2020 has been a hard year for everyone and we know that physically campaigning

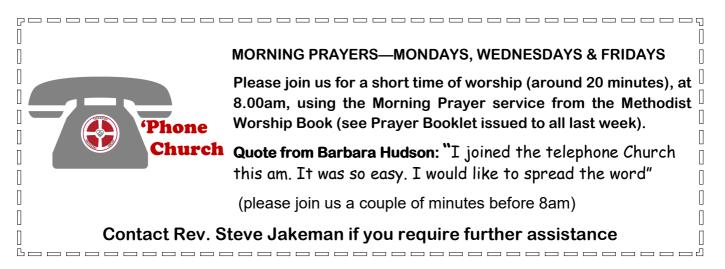
and meeting people will continue to be challenging in 2021 but so many still want to continue to support Fairtrade through this time.

The COVID-19 pandemic has shown us more than ever how interconnected we are alobally. This interconnection is at the very heart of the Fairtrade message. Many churches like ours are part of the Fairtrade movement and we can influence change, not only with your shopping choices but by continuing to spread the message.

Fairtrade 2021, is highlighting the growing challenges that climate change brings to farmers and workers in the communities Fairtrade works with. The facts are straightforward. Farmers and workers in countries such as Kenya, Ethiopia and Honduras, who have done the least to contribute to climate change, are disproportionately affected by it.

Buy Fairtrade products to support the right for farmers to be paid fairly for their work, meaning they have the chance to fight the challenges of the climate crisis right now.

[Editor: Fairtrade, keep up the good work!]





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