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A Letter from our Superintendent Rev. Nick Thompson

Dear All,

Welcome to another Circuit Plan. Once again, I want to thank all those who are leading worship across our churches through this quarter. And can we remember please those who cannot take services this time because of ill health? We pray in particular for Peter Green, Gregory Hargrove and Tony Cooper and Beryl Taylor as she supports Roy.

This quarter all of our Churches are being encouraged by the Circuit to imagine and pray into our Church's Future Story. This is a challenge which has come to us from the new Connexional Growth and Evangelism Team. Our Churches were all set up and built by people of faith now long gone but who worked to make a response in our communities to the call of God.

All of us are being asked now to imagine our Church's future mission plan. The Circuit Leadership Team will be doing the same for the Circuit. What is God calling us to be? What is the next Chapter in our Church's story?

We will be invited to have many honest, open and prayerful conversations about our churches. It's important that we begin with prayer and only this lunchtime at Marlow we met to do just that. We meet in this way to discern the future that God wants for his people. I hope we will find ways to do this at home, in groups and in services.

Next, we can remember our history. What are the good things that our churches have done in the past seeking to be faithful and hopeful people? What are the less helpful things from which we would want to turn in repentance? What are the best things that our churches do now? And what are the things which we should leave behind? What excites us for the future and what makes us anxious? What would growth for our churches look like?

What difference do we make in our communities and what could we build on to be more faithful in reaching out to others? From where we are now how do we think that God wants us to grow a new story for our churches? What do we do really well together? What are the positives about our buildings and what in them holds us back? How does what we have and what we might have help us to look out and go out into our communities with love and care?

What are the opportunities that come from our God given gifts and talents? How can we be more intentional in growing in faith and in bringing others to faith? What are our best and worst-case futures? There are so many questions!

Lectionary Year A March—May

1st Mar: 1st Sunday in Lent : Genesis 2: 15-17; 3: 1-7; Psalm 32; Romans 5: 12-19; Matthew 4: 1-11

8th Mar: 2nd Sunday in Lent: Genesis 12: 1-4a; Psalm 121; Romans 4: 1-5, 13-17; John 3: 1-17

15th Mar :3rd Sunday in Lent : Exodus 17: 1-7; Psalm 95; Romans 5: 1-11; John 4: 5-42

22nd Mar: 4th Sunday in Lent: 1 Samuel 16: 1-13; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5: 8-14; John 9: 1-41 or for **MOTHERING SUNDAY** : Exodus 2: 1-10 or 1 Samuel 1: 20-28; Psalm 34: 11-20 or Psalm 127: 1-4 2 Corinthians 1: 3-7 or Colossians 3: 12-17 ; Luke 2: 33-35 or John 19: 25-27

29th Mar: 5th Sunday in Lent /1Passion Sunday: Ezekiel 37: 1-14; Psalm 130; Romans 8: 6-11; John 11: 1-45

5th Apr: 6th Sunday in Lent /Palm Sunday : Matthew 21: 1-11; Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29; Isaiah 50: 4-9a; Psalm 31: 9-16; Philipians 2: 5-11; Matthew 26:14 – 27: 66 or Matthew 27: 11-54

9th April: Maundy Thursday: Exodus 12: 1-4 (5-10) 11-14; Psalm 116: 1-2, 12-19; 1 Corinthians 11: 23-26; John 13: 1-17, 31b-35

10th April: Good Friday: Isaiah 52: 13 – 53: 12; Psalm 22 ; Hebrews 10: 16-25 or Hebrews 4: 14-16; 5: 7-9 ; John 18: 1 – 19: 42

12th April: Easter Day: Acts 10: 34-43 or Jeremiah 31: 1-6; Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24; Colossians 3: 1-4 or Acts 10: 34-43; John 20: 1-18 or Matthew 28: 1-10

19th April: 2nd Sunday of Easter: Acts 2: 14a, 22-32; Psalm 16; 1 Peter 1: 3-9; John 20: 19-31

26th April: Acts 2: 14a, 36-41; Psalm 116: 1-4, 12-19 ; 1 Peter 1: 17-23; Luke 24: 13-35

3rd May: Acts 2: 42-47; Psalm 23; 1 Peter 2: 19-25; John 10: 1-10

10th May: Acts 7: 55-60; Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16; 1 Peter 2: 2-10; John 14: 1-14

17th May: Acts 17: 22-31; Psalm 66: 8-20; 1 Peter 3: 13-22; John 14: 15-21

24th May: Ascensiontide: Acts 1: 6-14; Psalm 68: 1-10, 32-35; 1 Peter 4: 12-14; 5:6-11; John 17: 1-11

31st May: Pentecost: Acts 2: 1-21 or Numbers 11:24-30; Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b; 1 Corinthians 12: 3b-13 or Acts 2:1-21; John 20: 19-23 or John 7: 37-39

Living & Dying Well Course

You are warmly invited to join us on a course, which started on 31st October 2019 and continues through to July 2020, at The Avenue on Wednesdays from 2.45pm(refreshments) 3-4.30pm, for 'Living and Dying Well' afternoons. These afternoons will be monthly and will begin with refreshments and then move into a short time of worship and then it will be over to our speaker to lead the rest of the meeting. Their will be time for Q&A's.

We invite you to bring with you a thought about what helps you to live well – e.g. – your exercise class; your choir; your diet; aromatherapy; reflexology; yoga; a brisk walk with the dog; U3A; your worshipping community; volunteering; regular trips to the cinema or theatre; – you get the gist!

We all want to live well and fall back into the arms of our creator gently. Most people are put off by the Dying Well section but I can assure you from previous experience of leading an afternoon that it was a heart-warming and Holy time.

Future Dates: Wednesday 11th March; Wednesday 8th April; Wednesday 13th May; Wednesday 10th June; Wednesday 8th July.

Suggested Themes – Living well in retirement; Living with loss – bereavement; Eating well; Living well with complimentary therapies – Reiki, Aromatherapy, Magnetix; Living well with a disability; Living well in old age with Age Concern; Living well with depression and mental illness; Living well with a life limiting illness (a speaker from the Butterfly Hospice – South Bucks); Living well in relationships perhaps when we are the primary carer for a loved one. The Living and Dying Well group from Ealing will come and share with us their experience of meeting.

From Rev Georgina Bondzi-Simpson and Deacon Richard Goldstraw

Lent Lunches

Everyone is on again welcome invited to attend the Lent Lunches at the churches below.

29th February—Downley 12.30—2.00pm

14th March—Tylers Green 12.30—2.00pm

21st March—Holmer Green 12.30—1.45pm

28th March—The Avenue 12.00-2.00pm in aid of All We Can

4th April—Cryers Hill 12.30—2.00pm

In all these things we will not be working alone. Some of our Circuit Stewards will be working with us as well as the Circuit Staff to begin to grow a new sense of vision for all our Churches and to encourage each other in exploring a faithful future. Let's place our hands in God's hands and seek to discern, in a new way, what it means to be followers of Jesus in 2020 and beyond.

It's an exciting if daunting time. We will have different ideas and wonder if we should have started from here. But here is where we are. Let's trust in God together. "I sought the Lord and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears. Look to him and be radiant." (Psalm 34 verse 8.)

May God hold us as we explore a new vision together across the Circuit.

God Bless

Nick

Circuit Meeting -

Tuesday 17th March 7.30pm for 7.45pm at Marlow

Preachers and Worship Leaders Meeting

Thursday 12th March—7.45pm for 8.00pm at the Avenue

Flackwell Heath—Tenebrae Service

Wednesday 8th April, 8.00pm Led by Deacon Richard Goldstraw

Circuit Celebration

This will be held at Flackwell on Sunday 26th April and led by Lesley Hatton and involve circuit worship leaders and musicians. The Easter Offering from all Circuit churches will be dedicated at this service. Too

Food Hygiene Course 21st March 2020

An Environmental Health Officer is running a Food Hygiene Course on the 21st March 2020, 9.15am, at Marlow Methodist Church.

It is a 5-6 hour course and each of our 9 churches needs at least 1 person who has been on the course / taken the test to be able to oversee any of the catering/ coffee and refreshments that take place on our premises. There are 18 spaces available allowing two representatives from each church.

Some churches have already booked. Please put the date in the diary and think / discuss who would be the best members of your church to attend the course and let Graham Everitt know.

On course completion and a short multiple choice test passed, a certificate will be awarded. It is funded by the circuit to assist all of the churches to be compliant with the hospitality that they provide to their members and communities.

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Q3 2019-2020	March 2020							April 2020					May 2020				
	1st Mar Lent 1	8th Mar Lent 2	15th Mar Lent 3	22nd Mar Mothering Lent 4	29th Mar Passion Lent 5	5th April Palm	9th April Maundy Thursday	10th April Good Fri- day	12th April Easter	19th April	26th April	3rd May	10th May Christian Aid	17th May	24th May	31st May Pentecost	
Marlow WL 9.30am 10.30am 6.30pm	Thompson SL 10.45am Thompson HC	Singleton HC@ MB	freespirit Garde	Garde	Bolton T Cel @ Flackw'll	Thompson SL 10.45am Hatton	8.00pm Tenebrae @MB	11.15am CTiM US	Thompson HC	freespirit Goldstraw	Thompson AGCM Circuit Cel @ Flackwell	Thompson SL 10.45am Stratta Leprosy Mission	Thompson HC HC @ MB	freespirit Garde	LA 'All We Can' Cel @ F'well Be Still @ St. Mary's	McClelland Embrace the Middle East	
Marlow Bottom 9.30am 11.00am 6.30pm	@ St. Mary's HC Anglican Preacher	Lovall @ St. Mary's AAW Thompson HC	@ St. Mary's HC Watts	Thompson @ St. Mary's HC/AAW Be Still	Thompson Joint Annual Meeting US	@ St. Mary's HC Lovell	8.00pm Tenebrae HC Thompson		Watts HC @ St. Mary's HC/ AAW	@ St. Mary's HC Watts	Singleton HC Community Service Circuit Cel @ Flackwell	@ St. Mary's HC Anglican Preacher	Orange @ St. Mary's AAW Bondzi- Simpson HC	@ St. Mary's HC Watts	@ St. Mary's HC N. Sweet AAW Be Still @ St. Mary's	@ St. Mary's Joint Service	
Flackwell Heath WL 10.00am 11.00am 6.30pm	Freshare Goldstraw AAW	Freshare Thompson HC	Freshare Newman	Freshare LA AAW	Freshare C. Luscombe Bondzi-Simpson Cel US	Freshare Thompson AAW		9.30am Thompson Meditation	8.30am Thompson HC N. Sweet AAW	Freshare Newman	Freshare Orange Hatton Circuit	Freshare Thompson AAW	Freshare LA	Freshare Newman	Freshare Thompson HC Hatton Cel @ Christ Church	Freshare Goldstraw	
Stokenchurch			5.00pm Anglicans @ Thompson								6.30pm Circuit Cel @ Flackwell						
Wesley WL 10.30am	Bolton T	Bondzi – Simpson HC/C	Goldstraw	LA	B. Sparks	Goldstraw	7.30pm US @ Wesley Bondzi— Simpson	10.00am US @ Trinity URC	Bondzi- Simpson HC	Yorke	Bondzi- Simpson Circuit Cel @ Flackwell	B. Sparks	Bondzi— Simpson HC	Goldstraw	Bondzi-Simpson	Singleton	
The Avenue WL 10.30am 6.30pm	Bondzi- Simpson HC	Hatton SL	Bondzi— Simpson	C. Luscombe	Hurst Cel @ Flackwell	Bondzi- Simpson		10.30am Bondzi— Simpson	Singleton HC	Bondzi- Simpson	LA Circuit Cel @ Flackwell	Bondzi-Simpson HC	N. Sweet SL	Bondzi- Simpson	Lunt Cel @ Flackwell	Lovell	
Cryers Hill 10.30am 6.00pm	Hatton	Foday HC Rose	Hurst Orange	Bolton T Thompson	Sitford Foday	N. Sweet Bondzi- Simpson		Music For Easter 7.00pm Foday	LA Foday	Crowle Sitford	Foday HC Orange	Stevens Bondzi-Simpson	Hurst Rose	Thompson Foday HC	Foday HC Billit	Bondzi-Simpson Foday	
Holmer Green WL 9.30am 10.30am 6.00pm	Orange	SL Foday HC	Thompson	Bondzi- Simpson	Foday HC	LA 7.00pm ACTS @ Baptists		10.30am Foday ACTS Walk of Witness	Foday HC	C. Luscombe	Goldstraw- Circuit Cel @ Flackwell	LA 7.00pm ACTS @ Baptists	SL Foday	Foday HC	B. Sparks	Stevens	
Tylers Green 10.45am	LA	Stevens	Foday HC	Thompson	Crowle	Cameron	7.00pm Foday/ Singleton		Stevens	Foday HC	Hatton Circuit Cel @	Bolton T	Foday HC	P.Sweet	Goldstraw	LA	
Downley 10.00am - 12.00pm	Foday Craft Club	Bolton T	Orange	P. Sweet	Bondzi-Simpson	Foday HC Craft Club			5.30am US Sunrise Foday 10.00am Goldstraw	LA	N.Sweet Circuit Cel @ Flackwell	Foday Craft Club	Stevens	Crowle	Stevens	Foday HC	

AAW—All Age Worship, AGCM—Annual General Council Meeting, Bap—Baptism, CA— Church Anniversary, C—Confirmation; Cel—Celebrate Service, HC—Holy Communion, LA—Local Arrangement, SL—Sunday Live, T - Transport Needed, WL—Worship Leader available, US—United Service. **NB Information from the churches and preachers for the next plan should be with Carolyn Luscombe by Friday 3rd April—plan@highwycombemethodist.org.uk, 01491 410693**
Ministers Rest Day@ Nick Thompson—Friday; Vida Foday—Friday; Richard Goldstraw—Saturday; Georgina Bondzi- Simpson—Monday & Study Day—Thursday