

**Beckenham Methodist Church
Newsletter – Easter 2021**



From the vestry

Having been in lockdown and closed again as a worshipping community for many weeks, we look forward to meeting again for worship at Bromley Road from April 18th.

Thanks to Rev Alex Terrett, who has faithfully kept us informed week by week with messages using many different media; supported us pastorally and ensured posters and displays in the new foyer have been renewed. We have really appreciated all who have contributed to the online Sunday services produced by the Orpington and Chislehurst Circuit.

Worship continues online for Holy Week and Easter Sunday.

Palm Sunday – 28th March *Remember clocks will have gone forward 1 hour overnight*

Maundy Thursday – 1st April: 8pm **Links to be circulated**

Good Friday – 2nd April: 10am

Easter Day – Sunday 4th April: 6am sunrise / 10.30am family service

Also available:



Holy Week reflections

From Sunday March 28th to Sunday April 4th one of our ministers will present a video to help you reflect on the following themes during the week:

- **Palm Sunday - Entry into Jerusalem**
- **Monday - Jesus in the temple**
- **Tuesday – Foot washing**
- **Wednesday - Last supper**
- **Maundy Thursday - Peter's denial**
- **Good Friday - Crucifixion**
- **Holy Saturday - Jesus' burial**
- **Easter Sunday - Resurrection**

You can watch each reflection at any time during the day on our YouTube channel at:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPSc8fwp4LwP5KOWD-ByExQ>

Saturday 3rd April: 10-11am Bromley Road will be open to receive goods for the food bank (shampoo; shower gel; long-life milk; tinned pulses – kidney beans, butter beans, lentils, mixed beans); also fresh flowers to decorate the Easter cross.

Please remember to keep socially distant.



Happy Easter to you all

AGM – SUNDAY 11TH APRIL

The AGM will follow the online morning service after a short break to make a cup of tea/coffee. The main focus will be on drawing up a 5 year plan for the future mission of the Church. We have inevitably been much focussed on the building, now it is time to look to putting both sites to good use. Everyone has a part to play in these decisions and to work together to support each other as we move on.

Representatives to Church Council (Trustees of the Church) are elected at the AGM. Please think carefully whether you could offer help with this or any other area of church life which would match with your interests and talents. Fresh ideas are so important.

If you would like to discuss anything, please get in touch with me.

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NEWS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY



We remember in our prayers all who have been ill, lonely, worried or bereaved, and look forward to meeting up with family and friends again as more and more people receive their vaccinations and feel safer to visit.

Spring 2021 preachers at Bromley Road:

Sunday 11th April online

Sunday 18th April: Alison Driscoll/Roli Dogazon-Johnson

Sunday 25th April: Rev Alex Terrett

Sunday 2nd May: Deacon Laura MacBean AAW

Sunday 9th May: Christine Messenger

Services at Clock House Road will resume when the congregation are ready to do so.

Online service links are circulated weekly.

Advance news: Rev Alex will be on Sabbatical from 26th April until 16th August 2021 – more details later.

Property update

First-fix plumbing and electrics in the new kitchen and toilet are done and we've now started on the decorating and fitting out stage, with a view to be ready when Covid regulations allow. We're also getting on with corrective works to the main heating system.

We wish to record our appreciation of the care and time Colin Wilson put into preparing the Indicator during his time as Editor-in-Chief. This is just one of the many areas of church life where he will be sorely missed.

We hope to produce a new-look magazine and would love to hear what you would like to read about.

Please send thoughts / contributions / ideas for a new title to: Jenny (see above), Christine at christine.handel@ntlworld.com or Irene Addo at irene_addo@hotmail.com by Sunday 15th August for distribution from Sunday 29th August.

Just a little Snowdrop

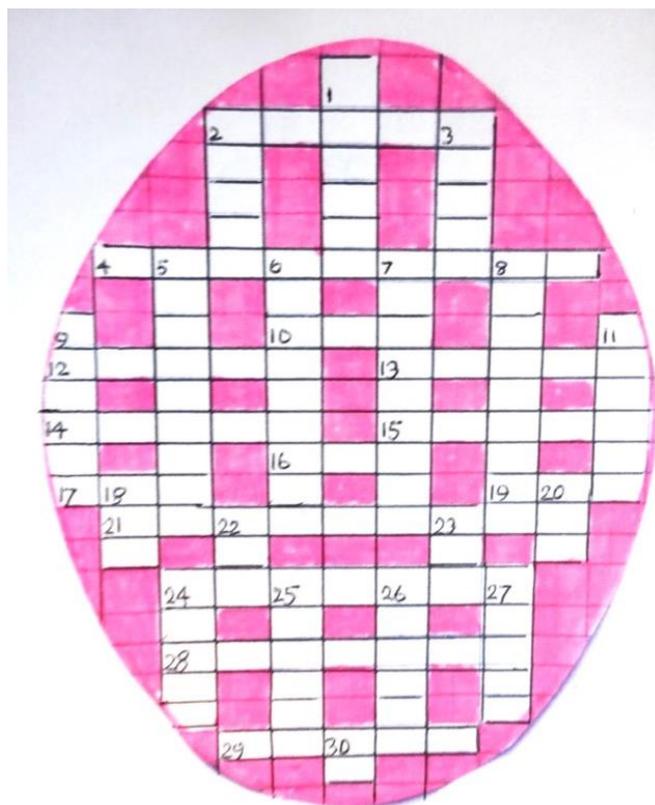
Just a little snowdrop
Tiny as can be
All about the garden
Amongst the shrubbery
Like snow has fallen down
Underneath the trees
Sitting by the pond
Blowing in the breeze
When I was a wee one
Mother used to say
Angels, angels, all around
Coming out to play!

Heads of white and green
Listening to our prayers
Many years have been.
Memories grow old
During forest walking
Or in the back yard
Seeing snowdrops poking
Through the ground

A smile comes on my face
Knowing God's grace
Is keeping watch over all
Lest I should fall.
Just a little snowdrop for me
Showing how precious life can be
Because spring is nearly here.

Written by Ben

TRINITY RITZ EASTER CROSSWORD MARCH 2021



CLUES

ACROSS.

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|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 2 Summarise (5) | 16 Not on (3) |
| 4 The Holy City (9) | 17 Bishop's domain (3) |
| 10 Greek letter (3) | 19 "Any" Anagram (3) |
| 12 Headless "Auntie" (5) | 21 Not Humpty Dumpty (6,3) |
| 13 "Emest" Anagram {5} | 24 U.S. Pilgrims (7) |
| 14 Guitar action (5) | 28 The Jab! (7) |
| 15 In a while (5) | 29 found on beer and bath water (5) |

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| 1 Left overs (6) | 20 "A long time ---" (3) |
| 2 A jolly flag and man. (5) | 22 North, Med e.g. (3) |
| 3 Found in an oyster (5) | 23 Hearing aid (3) |
| 5 A cuppa on April 4 th (6,3) | 24 Banknote (5) |
| 6 At the very top (9) | 25 Watch or heart? (6) |
| 7 Found on pussies and rabbits (6,3) | 26 "Citile"; bring out. Anagram (6) |
| 8 Pregnant (9) | 27 Water vapour (5) |
| 9 "Rescus"; oath. Anagram (6) | 30 Not off (2) |
| 11 Sea bird (6) | |
| 18 Thin fish (3) | |

Sent by Arthur Allan

The solution will be printed in the next edition of the newsletter