



Worship Resources (30/4/20)

If you use any of this material – and it has all been given freely – please acknowledge. The documents themselves are on a folder on the diocesan website. The link is <https://drive.google.com/open?id=19CYOi8M4gpcnOzK8tmbrx3DWODf-2bo8>

Any access problems, please contact me.
with prayer
Alan

New material has been added at the end of this document.

CofE website **increasing** amounts of useful material.

<https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-covid-19-liturgy-and-prayer-resources>

From Mark Miller Stockton Parish Church

Link to a wide-ranging and regularly updated digital source. (wider than worship)

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1fYN5QW1QnA6ofCLNdUNeSMARl44angTsEAoXu7mRwFE/preview>

From Tony Roache St Hild and St Columba, and St John, Darlington Worship Booklets

See in Worship Folder set of documents under Roache – Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer, Night Prayer and Collects and Readings and Collects for Sundays.

From St Peter's Stockton Joining in the Eucharist from home – a pdf

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/9vby12j3kw27phw/Joining%20in%20the%20Eucharist%20from%20Home%20copy.pdf?dl=0>

From Alexander Crawford in Gateshead Liturgy

Some more resources for those in isolation – simple Morning and Evening Prayer, a short liturgy for each day in Holy Week, and an Easter Vigil for the home.

<https://aiqc88.wixsite.com/beautyofholiness>

From Gemma Sampson St Aidan Hartlepool Service booklet for home use

Booklet of services for use at home in isolation.

See worship folder 'Sampson Prayers in a Pandemic'

From Jeremy Chadd Set of service booklets for home use

Set of sample services and covering notes right through to Eastertide.

See Worship Folder – 'Chadd: Notes for MP and EP, Lent MP, Lent EP, Passiontide MP, Passiontide EP, Easter MP, Easter EP.

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From Tom Brazier – supporting worship at home but not via live-streaming

If streaming services doesn't fit for you, another possibility is what we did on Sunday: a web page that has all the necessary content for people to worship from home. See <https://www.greensideparish.org.uk/sunday22march202.htm>.

We used music bought from the www.worshiplyricvideos.com website (who are allowing you to stream their material during COVID-19) and pre-recorded sermon and intercessions. The audio and videos need to be uploaded to some kind of cloud service which can handle streaming - so check with your web service provider about that. And your content management system needs to offer you the ability to embed audio and video - WordPress, for example, does.

From Kate Boardman – another alternative to live-streaming

So we ended up with an audio <https://soundcloud.com/kate-b-453141958/evening-worship-for-lent-4> and we plan if we're long term, to acquire some simple mp3 players, 2 per vulnerable person without tech capacity, so that we can exchange week by week for the worship plus some other stuff. I've signed up for an anchor podcast space, following Bryony's example, but for the moment while it's free, soundcloud will do...

From Alexander Crawford – link to Community of the Resurrection services

<https://mirfield.org.uk/live-streaming/>

As Alex says: 'An oasis of peace in these troubled times.'

From Martin Jackson – a BCP Communion service

<https://saintcuthberts.blogspot.com/2020/03/mothering-sunday-eucharist-at-st.html>

From Alexander Crawford – a link to a more accurate way of counting “views”

If you posted the video from an official church page that you manage on Facebook, you can see a detailed breakdown of the viewing figures (including how long people watched, who actually clicked to play it rather than just let it autoplay, even whether they had the sound switched on while they watched, I think) under the 'Insights' tab. https://www.facebook.com/help/268680253165747?helpref=about_content

From Mark Miller – a link to a live-streaming guide with advice and support for different types

Beginner - live but unprofessional

Intermediate - high end but pre-recorded

Advanced - high end and live

https://s3.amazonaws.com/kajabi-storefronts-production/sites/91023/themes/1682946/downloads/caXAmUWQlyDeZhPPg7I9_LiveStreaming_Guide.pdf?fbclid=IwAR2v1u77rjgeaPofaZcJ1Ze2X3j5MJbR4un5a8Dkr9yKvk-C1zr8Bk7Akkk



From Tom Brazier – precautions for issue of paper resources

- Rigorous hand washing by anyone before handling any of the materials.
- No one with symptoms should be involved, obviously.
- Porous surface are better than smooth surfaces. Do the boxes have a smooth finish? How about the prayer booklets? Postcards often have smooth surfaces. Chocolate wrappers do, too, and people put the chocolate in their mouths so maybe not chocolate. A letter, on paper, in a paper envelope is a much better surface from what I understand.
- Prepare the letters a day or two before delivery - viruses do not last long on paper. Then it is only the delivery that involves significant hand contact.
- Post letters through the door rather than hand-delivering. Keeps social distance and lengthens time between contact.

V Practical set of lessons learned from a church that has been live-streaming for a while

<https://jamesdoc.com/blog/2020/livestreaming-lessons-learnt/>

Simple wisdom from Kate Bottley

Clergy!

- 1) Landscape not portrait
- 2) Shoot from slightly above
- 3) The screen is not the camera
- 4) Face the light
- 5) Check backgrounds, massive shelves of theological books and your knickers on the radiator may not be the background you want

She writes at greater length about the umissional impact of live-streaming clergy nostrils...

From Keith Blundy - this is the indispensable advice

If Live Streaming is something you want to get into or something you might want to hone the art of, I have posted some notes on the Diocesan Website which you can find here: <https://durhamdiocese.org/live-streaming-your-church-services/>

I was also alerted to a really helpful little infographic on the subject, which I have posted to the website page and I have attached it to this note for your information.

If you would like to have a one-one or one to a few session with me to help with the technology and have a look at some bits of kit if you are thinking of buying anything, I would be very happy to do that either via a zoom or WhatsApp / messenger call. Please do take me up on this offer, I am happy to help.

You might also want to get into a bit of audio or video editing - again I can help - please do ask.

<https://durhamdiocese.org/covid-19/>

go to

<https://durhamdiocese.org/live-streaming-your-church-services/>

<https://durhamdiocese.org/taking-your-church-online/>



Resources for Holy Week and Easter

There is a huge range of resource on

<https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-parishes/holy-week-and-easter-2020>

There will be daily reflections from our own Bishop's Leadership Team.

Watch your inbox and diocesan web site for more.

From Ali and Andy Miller. Palm Sunday to Easter Day. Simple service content for all the services including a Stations of the Cross.

See worship folder *Miller Holy Week at Home*

From Jane Grieve

A video of a meditation about 4 Candles focusing on Hope. Might be esp good with children.

See worship folder Grieve Candles

A PP Stations of the Cross

See worship folder Grieve Stations of the Cross

From Gemma Sampson

Prayer exercise for Palm Sunday

See worship folder Sampson Palm Sunday in a pandemic

See also <https://twitter.com/Revsbg/status/1243901047308988425>

Sample letter for distribution prior to Holy Week

See worship folder Sampson Holy Week letter

From a number of people – Sing Resurrection on Easter Sunday

See worship folder Offler Sing Resurrection

From Andy Harris about Spring Harvest at Home – forwarding an email from Spring Harvest

We have just launched a video on our Spring Harvest channel in order to explain what the event is about and we also encourage people to save the dates and mark it on their calendars! The link to this video can be found here: <https://www.youtube.com/user/SpringHarvest>

and can be used as a link to send out across your network of community to access and watch!

Anne Harrison sends us this from Resound

RESOUND WORSHIP STATEMENT ON STREAMING

www.resoundworship.org



'During the Covid-19 crisis, we give permission for all churches worldwide to stream Resound Worship songs. This includes our videos, our recordings, our lyrics and your own performances.

If you have a streaming license (eg CCLI, OneLicense), we'd appreciate it if you would report your usage. If you don't we would like you to use our material anyway.

We do not currently make copyright claims on YouTube or Facebook videos, so you should be able to use our songs without triggering their algorithms and shutting down your feed.'

See also <https://www.jubilate.co.uk/>

Sharon Pritchard sent Messy Churches continue with Messy Church at Home!

Resources and ideas <https://www.messychurch.org.uk/covid-19>

And don't forget the mass of resources for children and young people in the COVID section of the diocesan web site.

From the RSCM via Bishop Sarah

'In the absence of all of the usual routines of life, we have put together a whole range of initiatives, which we hope will help to hold everyone together: we can still work on fulfilling our mission until the darkness lifts and we are in the light again.

For everyone, wherever you are: Our website now features, free for all, Hymn of the Day, and Sunday Self-Service – a simple act of worship with music, readings and prayers which will change weekly. Specific resources for Holy Week and Easter will be available in due course. We will shortly be adding a daily vocal warmups video – a short session to keep your body moving, and voice in good shape if you're a singer. If you don't consider yourself a singer, do it anyway!

For choristers (of all ages): We recently launched our Showbie app, which has support materials for RSCM Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards. See here if you missed it in CMQ. This was originally launched to trial the concept, but we are now adding much more content to it as quickly as we can. This will include, for each level, some pieces which choristers can learn from the syllabuses by following the teaching videos which will appear shortly. In the current situation, we will ensure that this remains free of charge. We will also be using this Showbie platform to include more general Chorister Training material in separate classes for beginner, intermediate, and advanced choristers – the latter including material suitable for e.g. experienced cathedral choristers.'

They are also beginning to run a series of webinars.

For all info see: <https://www.rscm.org.uk/>

From Jane Grieve and Sarah Garland an Easter Treasure Hunt

See folder Garland Easter Treasure Hunt

Thy Kingdom Come has produced a very wide range of resources

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Thykingdomcome@lambethpalace.org.uk

**From Emma Parker, some Holy Week and Easter words for younglings
Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday to the Baby Shark Song**

If anyone has the joy of knowing the 'Baby Shark' song, then I've just written a version for Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday – enjoy!!!

Palm Sunday He is King, doo doo doo doo doo doo... (x3) He is King!

Wave your palms, doo doo doo doo doo doo... (x3) Wave your palms!

Clap your hands, doo doo doo doo doo doo... (x3) Clap your hands!

Hosanna, doo doo doo doo doo doo... (x3) Hosanna!

Easter Sunday Empty tomb, doo doo doo doo doo doo... (x3) Empty tomb!

He's not there, doo doo doo doo doo doo... (x3) He's not there!

He is risen, doo doo doo doo doo doo... (x3) He is risen!

He's my Lord, doo doo doo doo doo doo... (x3) He's my Lord!

Tell the world, doo doo doo doo doo doo... (x3) Tell the world!

I'm sure there could be many other verses! If you have no idea what the 'Baby Shark' song is, just 'google' it. I apologise now that you will never ever get the tune out of your head. You're welcome...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XqZsoesa55w>

Alan writes: "Be careful. I am currently in intensive de-compression therapy to get the tune out of my head..."

New Material

This is a really useful blog about preaching on-line. Resonates with my own experience so far – e.g. how often and irritatingly I say "er"

<https://www.psephizo.com/preaching-2/preaching-online-in-virtual-church/>

Alex Crawford has compiled more worship resources for Eastertide

<https://aigc88.wixsite.com/beautyofholiness/post/prayer-resources-for-use-in-isolation>



From Bill Braviner and strongly commended by Bishop Paul

A US colleague, Heidi Campbell, has pulled together a collection of essays about doing church online and got them produced as an eBook (in an amazing 3 weeks!) which has been made available free here: <https://oaktrust.library.tamu.edu/handle/1969.1/187891>

It draws on the experience of those who have been doing and reflecting on online church for a considerable time, way before we'd ever heard of coronavirus. It comes highly recommended as we all learn, on the hoof, more about being church online.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, has launched a **free national phone line** as a simple new way to bring worship and prayer into people's homes while church buildings are closed because of the coronavirus. Daily Hope, which is available from today, offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a telephone line. The line – which is available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044 – has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services during the period of restrictions in mind.

If you've not seen the **prayer booklet issued by the CofE**, it is very good. It is printable or you can order hard copy.

https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2020-04/Prayer%20Book%20FINAL%20Hi-Res%20Single%20Pages%202%20April_0.pdf

I love this... used it on Sunday and got v positive reactions
2020 vision [COVID version of the Beatitudes]

Blessed are you who are sick and suffering
May you be loved intensively.

Blessed are you who are unable to attend your own relative's funeral
may you be comforted.

Blessed are you who hunger and thirst for immunity:
Immunity from disease; immunity from despair; immunity from fear.
May you enjoy health, healing and wholeness.

Blessed are you poor and the poorer than ever
May you be blessed by that which is most precious.

Blessed are you health care workers, shop assistants, and lorry roll makers
we will remember.

Blessed are you teachers, educators, home school parents, pupils and students
you are all to be called the rainbow children of God.

Blessed are you who are computer literate
who show the rest of us how to reach out beyond our separation.
For now we see but through a screen darkly, but soon we shall meet face to face.



Blessed are you who are climbing the walls
We will climb out of this together.

Blessed are you writers, musicians, meditators and mystics who are thriving on the peace and quiet
We long for you, as well as the fruits of your creation.

Blessed are you film-makers, actors, directors, and costume designers
providing steams of respite and relief in dramatic times.
The final scene will be well worth the wait.

Blessed are you who had your wedding cancelled
What a great party it's ultimately going to be.

Blessed are you environmentalists for you already knew:
the air could be clear, the waters blue, the skies filled with singing.
We have sung apart, we will sing together.

Blessed are we faithful who can no longer travel to our church, synagogue, temple, mosque or meeting.
Love is in our midst. Exactly where we are.

Blessed are we visionaries dazzled by new 2020 vision
for a new way of being, a new heaven, a new earth.

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