



# Weekly Notices

## Working out God's love in Crediton

## Sunday 30th March

10.30am Morning Worship on the Web led by Pam Murphy

Hymns: StF119 - God of Eve and God of Mary

StF76 - Give me joy in my heart, STF3- Eternal God, your love's

StF615 - Let love be real

StF503 - Love Divine

Reading Exodus 2.1-10 & Luke 2.33-35

Or join on your computer or mobile app

Click here to join the meeting

Or call in (audio only) - 020 4526 8593 Phone Conference ID: 419 576 441#

The building is closed until further notice due to Covid-19 but the church is still active. See www.creditonmethodist.org.uk or phone 01363 777308 for details

#### Dear Friends,

I'd like to share with you a prayer written in a little book of 'Bloopers and Prayers' which was received last Christmas, and I have found rather amusing.

Father God.

Help me to find joy in each new day, and laughter in each adventure, When I'm tempted to grumble and frown, please nudge my funny bone and tickle my ribs

until I see the funny side of the situation. Amen

Sometimes we don't even think about being amused by either the situation we find ourselves in or the words or antics someone has shared with us. Life can be tough at times and putting our trust in God and knowing that we are made and lovingly cared for by God, helps us to put a different perspective on our difficult situations. It doesn't mean that our difficulties disappear, but we are given the strength and peace we need to overcome them. I recall several occasions when John and I have nudged each other's funny bone to draw attention to a funny situation. Being able to have a laugh is such an important part of our lives and it certainly lifts the spirit. Another blooper that appealed to my sense of humour is:

`Ladles don't forget the rummage sale. It is a good chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping round the house. Bring your husbands'.

I think we all say things from time to time which raise a smile on people's faces, intentionally or not. We all need a bit of fun and friends to share in our fun times too. 'Famous last words' in this little book which amused me were these:

'At the gates of Heaven, Saint Peter looked at the new arrival, somewhat puzzled, 'How did you get here?' he asked. 'Flu', came the immediate reply.' In Proverbs 17 verse 22 of the King James version we are given very sound advice. 'A merry head doeth good medicine.'

May God bless us all with fun times and laughter. Marjorie

#### WARM SPACES

There are still plenty of opportunities to help with the "Warm Spaces – Coffee and Chat" events during the next three months. If you can spare a couple of hours on a Friday from time to time – perhaps once a month - please add your name to the rota at the back of the Church.your diary now. *John Ashley* 

#### FOR OUR PRAYERS AT HOME:

Loving Lord, on this day dedicated to honour Mothers, we thank you for treasured memories of our own Mothers and that by their example the way they still continue to shape our lives.

But we know that for many Mothers throughout the world, life is not easy for them because - they live in war torn areas

- +they experience lack of food because of drought
- +single mothers who struggle financially
- +their children who are missing and many other struggles.

Lord we also thank you and pray for the myriad of carers throughout the world giving love and care to children who are not their own, showing the same love that you freely give to us.

So on this special day we remember all mothers and carers, give them strength in their individual needs. AMEN

"As a Mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you". Isaiah 66 v 13

#### FILM NIGHT

Our next film night is on Saturday 12 April at 6.30pm in the Church. We will be showing "Twelve Years a Slave" a 2013 biographical historical drama film directed by Steve McQueen from a screenplay by John Ridley, based on the 1853 slave memoire "Twelve Years a Slave" by Solomon Northup, an African American man who was kidnapped in Washington, D.C. by two conmen in 1841 and sold into slavery John Ashley

**CTIC** (Christians Together in Crediton) have to decided to mark the start of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity with a Songs of Praise in Newcombes Park on Sunday 1st June.

Each of the four churches will have their normal morning service as usual and then we will meet in the park for a picnic lunch which will be followed by The Town Band leading a Songs of Praise at 2.00pm. You are invited to come along - bring your picnic and chair - and have a great sing. Please put the date in your diaries *Bronwyn* 

Week beginning Saturday 29th March		
Sat 29th March	10:00am – 11:30	Together 4 Coffee donations in aid of All we Can
Sun 30th March	10:00am	Morning Worship in Church or on the web led by Pam Murphy
Mon 31st march	8:00am	Start the week in prayer in Church or where ever you are
Wed 2nd April	10:30am	Lent Coarse
Fri 4th April	10:00-12:00pm	Coffee and Chat
Sat 3rd April	10:00-11:30pm	Together 4 Coffee donations in aid of Disaster Emergancy
Sun 6th April	10:15 for10:30am	Café Church in Church or on the web led by Rev Leon Dundas

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

Saturday 12th April - Film Night

Sunday 27th April- Church Anniversary and Lunch

Saturday 17th May - Beetle Drive

Saturday 24th May - Table Top Sale

Sunday 1st June 2:00pm CTiC Songs of Praise in Newcombe's Park

Saturday 28th June-Strawberry Tea

Saturday 12th July - "Away day " to Budliegh Salterton details to be announced

#### **CREDITON FOODBANK** requests this week

Tinned ham and fruit, Peanut butter, Cartons of long-life fruit juice, Toothpaste, Dog food, Washing up liquid, Men's deodorant

### **Contact Details**

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