

Waiting on God Sunday 10 May 2020

Dear All

As I write, we await to hear what the Prime Minister will say today and on Sunday about the gradual lifting of restrictions. Guidance from Bishops is of a very cautious approach and I don't think we should be expecting to return to the building together for quite some time yet. While this may be a disappointment, I would suggest that we also see it as an opportunity to wait on God and to reflect – I'll be saying more about that in my sermon on Sunday.

Sunday Service

As ever, the link for our service and for the service sheet will be on our [website](#), simply click on the blue writing 'YouTube Link for Service for...' which is updated each week. You will also be able to find the link to the service sheet, although with words now on the screen, you don't actually need it in order to join in. Please do connect to the Sunday service if you are able and let us know if technology is a problem – we are only too happy to help!

Midweek Discussion Group

We are hoping to begin a short course soon, run as a discussion group over about 4 weeks on the topic of 'Exploring Prayer' using videos recorded by the Archbishop of Canterbury. This is likely to be a Zoom meeting, but we will do our best to make it accessible for as many people as possible. Please let me know if you are interested in joining in rev.adele@stmaryincharnwood.org.uk

Bluebell Walk

As part of her daily exercise around our woods, Helena has kindly recorded a video of the bluebells with Liz Paling playing a lovely piece of classical music as accompaniment. To find this, go to the website and click on 'St Mary's YouTube Channel'. This will take you to the playlists and you can find the Bluebell Walk under 'Woodland Walks'.

Some reminders:

Patchwork Project

Don't forget to keep sewing patches for the fabric hanging we are hoping to make. Get in touch with Katherine if you want to know more: church_warden@stmaryincharnwood.org.uk

Psalms Workshop

Links for the Psalms Workshop are still on the website. If you would like the worksheet posted to you, please ask. Helena has presented three ideas for how to get started with writing a Psalm and it would be great to hear anything you come up with. Please contact Helena if you want to know more.

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"Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint."

Isaiah 40:31

With love in Christ

Adele