



St John's, Stoneleigh Weekly Newsletter

Sunday 2nd August

Collect

Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

A MESSAGE FROM REV. KEN HOBBS

Well here we are after more than 17 weeks able to gather again in the church building! This is not without its challenges. The technical issues in streaming live on Zoom for those who wish to worship at home are not always easy to manage. Our music will be included as we have done via Zoom. My talk will not be printed in full but there is an outline in the order of service.

Ken and Janis have given us the information about how we can use the building safely. There are no first and second class citizens here! We are delighted to welcome you at home and in the building. The church is in the end the people not the building and I hope and pray that however you join us you will feel that you belong.

Please bear with us as we work through this difficult process. You will be getting your service booklet to use at home or bring with you from Sunday August 9th (Communion Services).

Ken

KEEPING IN TOUCH AND PRAYERS

The WhatsApp group, Facebook and website will continue to be updated so please keep in touch. Any prayer requests for the prayer board can still be submitted to Jean Tutton.

Rev. Ken Hobbs

SUNDAY SERVICES

Don't forget you can join us live on Sunday at 10am using this link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86852818063>

For those of you who do not have access to the internet you can now join our Sunday Worship by phone.

Dial this phone number: 0203 051 2874

You will be asked to enter the meeting ID followed by # (hash).

Key in: 868 5281 8063#

You will be asked for a personal ID, just press # again and you will be connected to the Service.

If you want help with this speak to John Simon (phone 0775 187 4807).

For security reasons we need to start using a "Waiting Room". This means that you may have to wait a short while for me to let you join the service".

John Simon

THURSDAY COFFEE MORNING

Each Thursday, St John's will be hosting a coffee morning via Zoom. Please join us at 10:30am using this link.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83134817320>

The link will be the same each week.

Rev. Ken Hobbs

Sunday 10.00am Service resuming in the Church Building.

As from this **Sunday 2nd August** our 10.00am Service will be held in St John's as well as being broadcast via 'Zoom'.

You are all very welcome to come and join Rev Ken and others at the Church if you feel you are able, either on your own or with members of your immediate household. OR carry on joining in via your computer or phone on Zoom as we have been doing.

To ensure we follow all guide lines and protocols for managing the risk of COVID-19 in places of worship, we have:-

- carried out full COVID-19 risk assessments.
- have cleaning, hand cleaning/sanitisation and hygiene procedures in place.
- Have taken all reasonable steps to help everyone maintain a 2m distance between different users of the Church.

We are asking those of you that do attend St John's to :-

- Refrain from entering if you are feeling unwell or have experienced any COVID-19 symptoms in the past seven days
- Take responsibility for your own safety and that of your household and other people by maintaining social distancing.
- Wear a mask/face covering, if you are able to do so.
- Observe all hygiene measures.
- Ensure children are supervised at all time.

We believe it to be a good thing that our Church Building is being reopened for Services, and with your help we hope many more people will be able to enjoy Services again, and that we all stay safe.

If anyone should have any queries or indeed feel unsure and would like more information, then please do get in touch with either of us or Rev Ken.

Ken & Janis, Church Wardens

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SUNDAY 2ND AUGUST – ALL AGE WORSHIP

For those bringing children, we ask that you bring your own toys and crayons. Thank you.

The King's Storeroom

The King's Storeroom is a small Christian Bookshop in the URC church in Kingston. It is open normal hours 10-4 Monday to Fridays and 10-2 Saturdays.

FOODBANK

The start of the long summer holidays means that the Foodbank is experiencing an increase in demand. As they've done in previous years, they will be supporting families who would normally benefit from free school meals. They could use some 'child friendly' food now. Whilst they aim to provide a nutritious food package it also nice to include snacks and treats.

It is not only children who like a sweet treat as many of their elderly clients ask for biscuits and chocolate. One has a particular liking for 'Jamie Dodgers'.

Another thing worth mentioning is that if donating things like ketchup both small and large bottles would be appreciated. They do cater for many single people in addition to larger family units.

In the last week they fed in excess of 260 people and made over 100 home deliveries.

As previously mentioned, they do have a very good stock of many of the basic items so if possible please donate only the items on the following list -

Biscuits, Children's treats - chocolate etc., Savoury snacks - crisps etc Sugar - small bags if possible, Custard, Long life sponge puddings Cooking sauces, Tinned vegetables including sweetcorn, Ketchup/brown sauce Long life fruit juice, Powdered milk, Peanut butter - URGENT Female deodorant, Shaving foam Nappies - size 5 and above only please Washing powder/tablets/capsules/liquid - URGENT Cleaning products - bleach, anti bac sprays etc

Thank you everyone for all your support.

Polly Elder

Order of Service

Theme "Rainbows through the Rain"

**"O Lord our God, your greatness is seen in all the world!
Your praise reaches up to the heavens" (Psalm 8.1)**

We have come to worship God our heavenly Father; to recognise his power and authority; to give thanks for his care and keeping and to offer ourselves in the service of Christ.

He is the creator of this wonderful world **He gives us life and breath**

He is the preserver of all life **He sustains us day by day**

He is the redeemer of his people **He shows us his love in Christ**

He is Lord of Lords **He controls all things**

Hymn Praise my soul the King of Heaven

Prayer for today

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Confession

O Lord our Heavenly Father, we confess that we have sinned against you and done many things to grieve you. We have often been selfish and unforgiving. We have forgotten to pray to you and we have not loved you as we should. For these and the other things we have done wrong we ask for your forgiveness and we pray that you will cleanse and renew us and strengthen us in the days ahead. Help us to walk in the light of your presence. Amen

Video Noah and the Flood

Reading Genesis 9 v8-17 read by Tim Rogers

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.' God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

Songs

He's got the whole world in his hands
I am a new creation

Rev. Ken's Talk - Outline

Rainbows through the Rain
A Story
A Landscape
A Promise
A Sign

Song

Our God is a great Big God!

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We Declare our Faith

Do you believe in God?

I believe in God the Father who made me and all the world.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

I believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God who came to this earth to be my Saviour. He died for my sins on the cross, rose again from the dead, ascended to the Father in heaven and will come again in his glory as the judge of all people.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, whom God gives to all who trust in Christ. He makes me more like Jesus, guides and strengthens me in my daily life and helps me serve God in the family of the Church

We pray for the needs of the World

Almighty God, we thank you for your mercy and your grace: Thank you for the wonder of your presence and power in Creation. You are our light in darkness, our strength in weakness and our comfort in sorrow. You heal our bodies and our minds; you ease our pain, you lift our anxieties; you give us hope and you set us free.

So fill us with your Spirit's power that we may take your healing love to a world in need, with your strength rebuild broken lives, and bring glory to your name; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord. Amen.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name

Your kingdom come, your will be done,

On earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread

And forgive us our sins

As we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,

Now and for ever. Amen.

Hymn **Amazing Grace**

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all evermore

Amen

Book of Remembrance: John Adrian Froud, Reg Simon, Alice May Denyer, Venus Mantle, Ronald Dan Wiltshire, Bill Chadwick.

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