

# Connected

Easter Sunday

Sunday 20th April 2025

## Happy Easter!

The events of "Holy Week" take us through quite a journey – all the way from Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday (where we will have remembered the final Passover supper Jesus shared with his disciples), then Good Friday with its much more reflective tone... all the way to the joy of Easter Day itself.

My thanks to all who will have led services, prepared our churches, cooked and made coffee, etc; as always, it's been a team effort!

May each one of you know the wonder and joy of Easter Day and the presence of Christ – encouraging and guiding you - in your lives.

*Tom*



### Mary Magdalene

Where is my Lord?  
How came His body to depart?  
He swept the devils from my heart,  
Taught me a new and holy art,  
My God to love.

Where is my Lord?  
I even stayed at Calvary  
And watched His dreadful agony;  
Oh, God - forsaken mystery -  
The dead Messiah!

Where is my Lord?  
Here had I come at early light  
To pay one final, loving rite,  
Anoint His limbs, with blurred sight  
To see Him now.

Where is my Lord?  
There is the gardener, He will say  
The guards have taken Him away:  
He must have seen where Jesus lay  
Cold in the grave.

My Master! Here!  
Your vibrant voice calls me by name  
And sets the flowers all aflame:  
this bitter garden's sweet again -  
My Master!

Poem by Barbara McCombie

## Sermon Snippets

### Christ Church

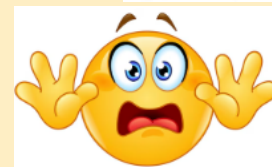
*Luke 24: 1-12 + 13-19a, 25-33a*

#### What's Happening?

Have you ever been struck by some event or by seeing something wonderful that you have had to just stop and stare?



Or have you ever been in a situation where it seems chaos reigns and you have no idea what is going on – you are so confused it is frightening?



Today we will look at how some people react to both of these situations.

### Emmanuel

*Luke 24: 1-12*

It's a new dawn!

It's a new day!

It's a new life!

...and we're feeling good!



## Watch the Morning Service

at [www.ccwsm.org.uk](http://www.ccwsm.org.uk)

Go to the 'Church Life' menu and click on the 'Sunday Services' page

# What's On This Week

## Thursday 17th April (Maundy Thursday)

Maundy Thursday Supper at 6pm at Christ Church  
(for those who have tickets)

## Friday 18th April (Good Friday)

Family Service at 10:30am at Christ Church  
Reflective Service at 10:30am at Emmanuel  
March Of Hope at 12noon starting at Emmanuel  
'Last Hour' Service at 2pm at Christ Church

## Saturday 19th April (Easter Saturday)

Worship & Outreach, 11am-3pm, in Italian Gardens

## Sunday 20th April (Easter Sunday)

Sunrise Service at 6:30am on Marine Parade  
Easter Communion at 10:30am at Christ Church  
Easter Communion at 10:30am at Emmanuel

## Monday 21st April

No Ladies Together this week

## Tuesday 22nd April

No Parish Prayers this week  
No Beacon this week

## Wednesday 23rd April

No Seedlings Toddler Group this week

## Thursday 24th April

No Craft & Chat this week  
No Welcome Group this week

## Saturday 26th April

Men's Breakfast at 8:30am in The Spire Centre

## Notices

### *Tom Unavailable*

Please be aware that Tom will be unavailable from Tuesday 22nd April til Saturday 26th April inclusive.

### *Nicky Unavailable*

Please be aware that Nicky will be unavailable from Monday 21st April til Sunday 27th April inclusive.

## Verse For The Week

" And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself... They asked each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?' "

*Luke 24: 27, 32*

# Prayer Pointers

## **Monday**

As you give praise to God for the glorious resurrection of Jesus from the dead, pray that the Christian faith throughout the whole world will also undergo resurrection and that all mankind may experience the true joy of Easter.

## **Tuesday**

Lift up to the Lord those who are caught up in conflicts around the world, especially our brothers and sisters in Christ who have to endure persecution for their faith. Pray that they will receive the Lord's comfort in their suffering.

## **Wednesday**

On this St George's Day let us pray for our country. Give thanks for all that defines us as a nation: for pageantry and monarchy, for parliament and democratic government, and, above all, for all the freedoms we are so privileged to have in this country.

## **Thursday**

Pray for those responsible for maintaining law and order. Pray for judges and magistrates, that the Lord will grant them wisdom so that the innocent are protected and the rights of all defended. Pray for the police, that the Lord will guide them and keep them safe in performing their duties.

## **Friday**

Today, the feast of St Mark, we give thanks for the work of Mark and all the Evangelists in setting down Jesus' life for us in the Gospels. Pray for Christians in parts of the world where they are denied access to Bibles and where even to possess a Bible is considered a crime.

## **Saturday**

As we come to the end of Passiontide and Easter week, reflect on all you have learnt and experienced. Thank God for any new insight He has given you. Give thanks for the teaching of our Vicar, our other clergy, and our readers, and for all the work they have put-in over this important period of the Church calendar.





# Coffee after the Service...

## Our Easter Events/Services



See the 'What's On This Week' section (page 2) for a reminder of all our Easter Events/Services

## EASTER AT EMMANUEL

We will be decorating Emmanuel for Easter on Saturday 19th April at 10am.

Please bring flowers or pot-plants and stay to help if possible.



## Holy Communion

*It has now been five years since the first Covid lockdown and both our Church Councils (PCCs) have agreed that, from Easter Day onwards, we will be offering Holy Communion with bread/wafer and wine separately in the "common cup" as we have always done in the past. There will also be the option at both churches to receive a wafer dipped in non-alcoholic wine, as we have been doing. Gluten free wafers will also still be available.*

*The overall aim is to keep the Communion as united as possible and, whilst these two main options do not cover every possible method of receiving, we felt the sense of unity would be diluted if too many other choices were offered.*

*Clear instructions will be given on Easter Day so that all can receive in confidence and in a spirit of prayerfulness.*



## Thank you Sue!

At Christ Church we thanked Sue Cannock for some 19 years of being with the Street Pastors. Originally she was out in the town centre and, more recently, one of the night pray-ers. You've done a brilliant job – thank you Sue!

If anyone would like to watch Christ Church's APCM, please contact Emma in the Church Office and she can send you the online link.



Weston CAP is now in the final stages of winding-up.

To read their final newsletter, please click [here](#).

&, if you have been financially supporting Weston CAP, please ensure that you cancel any Standing Orders or monthly payments immediately.

## Contact Details

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Sharing the message of Hope across Weston-super-Mare & Worle at Easter!

**March of Hope**  
Good Friday - 12 Noon,  
Emmanuel Church,  
Oxford Street, WsM

**Joint Church Service**  
Good Friday - 11.15am,  
Outside Co-op,  
Worle High Street

**Worship & Outreach**  
Easter Saturday - 11am-3pm,  
Italian Gardens,  
High Street, WsM

**Easter Sunrise Service**  
Easter Sunday - 6.30am,  
Marine Parade,  
Opp Carlton Street, WsM

[www.ctwd.org.uk](http://www.ctwd.org.uk)

# More coffee anyone...?

## Open Gardens

The new programme for the coming season of Open Gardens will be available very soon...

Open Gardens are informal social events and are an ideal way for newcomers to meet with other church members. So please do come along and, perhaps, invite a friend to join you!

The first Open Garden of the season will be taking place on:  
Saturday 10th May, 2:30pm-5pm  
(further details to follow)



## Men's Breakfast

**Saturday 26th May  
at Christ Church  
8:30am-10am  
COST: £4**



**Bacon butties, toast,  
and drinks...  
then "An Interview  
With Hilary Emery"**

**If you would like to  
attend, please add your  
name to the sign-up  
sheet at Christ  
Church... or, if you are  
at Emmanuel, please  
notify Paul Sodzi or  
contact Emma in the  
Church Office.**

## Ambassadors Women's Group

The Ambassadors next event is  
10-pin-bowling at All Stars Bowling  
in Dolphin Square.

If you would like to attend,  
please pop your name on the sign-  
up sheet... or, if you are at  
Emmanuel, please notify Anne  
Jones or contact Emma in the  
Church Office.

Please arrive by 7:15pm to start  
playing at 7:30pm. Cost is £10 for  
under 60s and £8.25 for over 60s.

To pay please click [here](https://ccwsm.org.uk/product-category/events/ambassadors/) or visit:  
[https://ccwsm.org.uk/product-  
category/events/ambassadors/](https://ccwsm.org.uk/product-category/events/ambassadors/)



## Emmanuel Coffee Morning

The next 'Coffee Morning and Sale'  
at Emmanuel will be on:  
Saturday 6th April, 10:30am-12noon



## Christ Church Finance Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has so far  
provided their response to the Finance  
Appeal. For those who have not yet  
responded, if you are able to fill in the  
form and return it in the brown envelope this  
Sunday (20th), that would be really helpful.

## Some Sad News...

Many of you will  
have known June  
Heyworth. We are  
sad to inform you  
that June passed  
away last week.

Please keep Eddie  
(her brother) and  
the rest of the family  
in your thoughts  
and prayers.

Details of her funeral  
will follow in due  
course.

## Volunteers Needed



Once again, the department of Spiritual and  
Pastoral Care at Weston General Hospital is  
looking for people willing to give up two  
hours a week to visit patients on the wards  
as chaplaincy volunteers (training will be  
provided). These visits mean the world to  
people who often have no other visitors or  
who are lonely and away from their loved  
ones. Could this be you? Do you have an  
interest in making someone's day brighter?

If you are interested, please have a word  
with Tom in the first instance.

## Volunteer Needed...



Pat Allchorne, our Treasurer  
at CITA, is stepping back and  
we need someone to take on her role.

The work itself does not take up too  
much time - it mainly involves keeping  
an eye on monies coming in and going out  
and disbursements to staff in Ghana.  
Annual accounts and reports have to be  
prepared but do not involve too much.

Pat is happy to brief anyone  
who would be interested.  
Or speak to me.

*Paul  
Sodzi*