Connected

6th Sunday Of Easter

Sunday 25th May 2025

Thy Kingdom Come

"Thy Kingdom Come" is an opportunity to pray for our friends, our community, and the world. It runs from Ascension (Thursday 29th May) to Pentecost (Sunday 8th June). For this period there are two things you can do:

1) Pray with others. There is a time slot most days when you can do this and a leaflet available providing ideas for prayer at both churches. Please come along to any of the following:

Thursday 29th May (Ascension):

10:30am Communion at Emmanuel

Friday 30th May: 10:30am Prayer Walk at Emmanuel Sunday 1st June: 6pm-7pm Prayer at Christ Church

Monday 2nd June: 10:30am Prayer Walk at Christ Church

Tuesday 3rd June: 7:30pm Bev Hall's Life Group

Wednesday 4th June: 7pm Chris Cole's Life Group (at

Christ Church)

Thursday 5th June: 1:30pm Prayer at Emmanuel and also

8pm Terry Baillie's Life Group

Friday 6th June: 2:30pm Jeff Morgan's Life Group

Sunday 8th June (Pentecost Sunday):

10:30am Services at both Christ Church and Emmanuel



2) Listen to our Daily Prayers on the "Thy Kingdom Come" theme.

We hope we've made it possible for all of us to join in prayer somewhere - please use this time to pray.

Tom

Sermon Snippets

CHRIST CHURCH 1 SAMUEL 20: 28-41

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THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH WE WILL BE CONTINUING WITH THE STORY OF DAVID AND LOOKING AT "COSTLY FRIENDSHIP".

PLEASE DO JOIN US/TUNE IN ON SUNDAY.

Emmanuel 1 Samuel 17: 32-45

David has a sling, a handful of stones, and good hand/eye co-ordination. What have you got that God can use to play your part in His Kingdom plan?

Can we change our perspective, to turn a seeming lack into a glorious opportunity?

Let's ponder this together on Sunday.



Watch the Morning Service

at www.ccwsm.org.uk

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



Prayer Pointers

Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.

(Colossians 3: 16)

Church Family:

We lift up to you Lord our loved ones and those in our Church family who are sick, suffering, lost, lonely, hurting, or bereaved; we pray that they may know God's presence amidst their pain.

Father God, we bring before you those in our Church family who are feeling stretched at this time; we pray that they can cope and that they remain hopeful that God will bring strength and peace.

The Local Area:

We pray for our town of Weston-super-Mare and all those who work in it.

Lord, as we all enjoy the sunshine and the warm weather, we pray that all can find peace and refreshment in God, and in signs of His love and splendour in creation. Help us to appreciate your creation in the week ahead. May the light in the morning sun bring light to our soul and hope to our spirit. In the darkness of night God knows us and holds us in his arms until it is light again. Have a joyful week!

National Prayer:

We pray for our Prime Minister and the decisions he has to make on a daily basis, especially, at this time, the new deal with the UK and the EU. We also pray for the whole of parliament as we ask for unity, strength, wisdom, and peace for all.

Global Prayer:

Let us pray about the situation between Israel and Iran, together with the impact this is having around the world.

What's On This Week

Monday 26th May

No Ladies Together this week

Tuesday 27th May

Parish Prayers at 9:30am at Emmanuel The Beacon at 12noon at Emmanuel

Wednesday 28th May

No Seedlings Toddler Group this week

Thursday 29th May

Holy Communion at 10:30am at Emmanuel Craft & Chat at 2:30pm in The Spire Centre Welcome Group at 2:30pm at Emmanuel

Saturday 31st May

Active Men's Group Visit to Fleet Air Arm Museum at 10am (leaving Weston at 8:30am) (for those who have signed-up)

Sunday 1st June

6pm Evening Prayer Service at Christ Church (*Theme: Thy Kingdom Come*)

Notices

Nicky Unavailable

Please note that Nicky will be unavailable on Tuesday 27th May.

Church Office Closed

Please be aware that the Church Office will be closed from Friday 23rd May til Tuesday 27th May inclusive.

It will also be officially closed from Monday 2nd June til Friday 6th June inclusive (although emails and phone messages will be <u>intermittently</u> picked up during this time).

Tom Unavailable

Please note that Tom will be unavailable from Friday 6th June til Friday 13th June inclusive.

Verse For The Week

"'Your servant has killed both the lion and the bear; this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, because he has defied the armies of the living God. The Lord who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine'."

1 Samuel 17: 36-37a

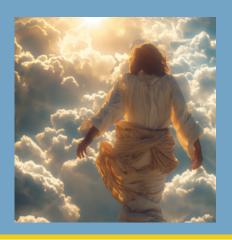
Coffee after the Service...



<u>Ascension Day</u> <u>Holy Communion</u>



Please do join us for our
Ascension Day Holy Communion
at Emmanuel Church:
Thursday 29th May at 10:30am
All are welcome!



Evening Prayer Service

Our Evening Prayer Service this month will be incorporated into 'Thy Kingdom Come' (see the front page for further details about this).

It will take place on Sunday 1st June at 6pm at Christ Church.

Please do come along to pray for our friends, our community, and our world.



CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOX OPENING

There is still time to hand in your Children's Society boxes.

For those at Emmanuel, please do not leave boxes unattended – just give them to me or one of the Wardens. For those at Christ Church, please let Emma have your boxes and she will pass them on to me. I shall return the boxes when they have been counted and let you know how much was raised.

Many thanks to all who continue to support the Children's Society.



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Active Men's Group



Visit to the
Fleet Air Arm Museum
on Saturday 31st May
at 10am (leaving Weston
at 8:30am)

Cost: tbc (max. £23)

Followed by lunch at 1pm at The Podymore Inn (Yeovil, BA22 8JF).

If you would like to attend, please pop your name on the sign-up sheet at the back of church (or, for those at Emmanuel who would like to come along, please let Emma in the Church Office know).

And, if you are happy to drive/offer lifts, please note this on the sheet.
Thank you.

Parish Prayers At Emmanuel

For nearly twenty years now people from Emmanuel have met every Tuesday, in term time, for Parish Prayers. We pray for the life of Emmanuel and Christ Church, our town, and may move on to world issues. Occasionally there have been as many as seven of us but now we are down to three and often one of us has another commitment.

We meet in our prayer space (entering through the car park door and the hall). We would love it if there were others who would like to join us.

For more information talk to Dina, Mary, or Meg.



There is still time to support Chris Cole in the Weston Hospice Mendip Challenge on 1st June... click here to donate.



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More coffee anyone...?



Our previous youth worker. Hayley Brydges. got married to Salman Sabahi at the end of April. They live just outside Belfast and Hayley now works for 'Children in Northern Ireland'. the regional umbrella organisation for the children's sector in Northern Ireland.

<u>Diocesan Prayers</u>

The Bath & Wells Diocese were praying for the following last weekend:

(1) those discerning a call to local lay ministry across the Diocese: "God of all, we pray for all discerning a call to local lay ministries as worship leaders, pastoral assistants, preachers, leaders in youth and children's work, and many other ministries. May they hear your call and be strengthened in serving you and their communities. Amen"

(2) bellringers across the Diocese: "Heavenly Father, we give thanks for the joyful sound of church bells and for all who ring them in praise of you. As their music calls us to worship, may it also ring out hope, peace, and welcome to our communities. Bless all bellringers with skill, joy, and fellowship. Amen"









See the poster at both churches for more info. Either scan the QR code or click <u>here</u> for tickets.

Celebration of Lay Ministries

This year's 'Celebration of Lay Ministries' will be taking place at Wells Cathedral on Saturday 14th June, 2pm-4pm.



The Celebration is an opportunity for both lay and ordained to come together with the Bishop to be valued, affirmed, and thanked for the ministries and gifts we offer.

To book your place, and for more information, please click <u>here</u>.

Hutton Village Hall

Church Lane, Hutton BS24 9SN Friday 13th June 7.30pm

An evening of original acoustic music with



Tickets £12, Available from:

Eric Holdaway: 01934 813716 or 07530 135919 (eholdaway@phonecoop.coop) Or: Mike Emsley: 07843 806115 (mikemo56@gmail.com)

Proceeds to Hutton Village Hall

www.magentamusic.co.uk

Stories from Israel and the West Bank:
Quaker Meeting House Saturday 14th June at 4:30pm for stories and discussion with Lynda, who recently spent a few months in the West Bank.

Get your free tickets at <u>https://EAPPI-</u> WsM.eventbrite.co.uk You are invite to join us for our



Saturday 14th June 2025 Locking Castle Church, Jasmine Way BS247JW

Registration 9.30am, finish at 3.30pm Worship Leader and Speaker: Gill Bough Theme: Ephesians 2:10

WE ARE GOD'S MASTERPIECE
Tea, coffee & cakes will be provided Please Bring your own lunch
£10 Per Person.

To purchase your ticket please via our Facebook Page or our website at http://lockingcastlechurch.org



