

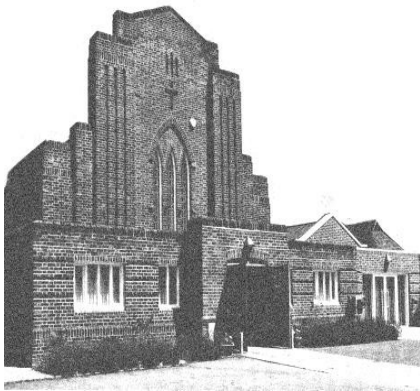


# Ickenham United Reformed Church

## NOTICES & ANNOUNCEMENTS SUNDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> MAY 2023

A very warm welcome to everyone joining in worship today.  
If you are a visitor, or new to the area, please make yourself known to the worship leader, duty elder, or sidespersons and write in the Visitor's Book on the table at the back of the church.

Tea and coffee will be served in The Oasis after the service  
– please join us for a time of fellowship if you are able to.



### **SUNDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> MAY:**

#### **11.00 a.m. Morning Service with Holy Communion**

led by Revd. John Mackerness.

Readings: John 17:1-11 (p.1085); Acts 1:6-14 (p.1092) (Pauline)

*We invite all who trust in Jesus as Saviour and Lord to receive the bread and wine at Holy Communion. If you prefer, you may allow the bread and wine to pass by you when served by the Elders and receive a blessing.*

Duty Elder: John Miller

Communion Servers – John & Peter

**COFFEE SHOP IN THE OASIS** open Monday to Friday - 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

### **TUESDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> MAY:**

3.30 p.m. **Bereavement Support Group** team meeting in The Oasis.

### **SUNDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> MAY:**

**11.00 a.m. Morning Service** led by Denis Golden.

Duty Elder: Dorothy Vickery

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*Copies of NIV Bibles are available for you to use during the service.  
Please collect one from the shelves at the back of the church and return them,  
along with your hymn books, at the end of the service*

**Meeting for prayer** before the service, from 10.40 for 10 minutes in the Hardwick room.  
Anyone is most welcome to join in.

**Pauline Woodham** will usually be available after the service for anyone who would like to chat about concerns or worries and would like someone to pray with them.

**Thank You to Celia Miller** for the flowers in church today  
in memory of her parents Frank and Vera Berry.

**P.T.O.**

*Contributions to the Offertory to support the work and Worship of the Church may be made by cash or cheque in the bag during the Service or by bank transfer.  
Gift aid envelopes are available to use, if appropriate. All donations are gratefully received and will be dedicated during the service. Further details from the Elders if required.*

### **Jesus taken up into heaven**

He said to them: 'It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.'

After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

*Acts 1 v.7-9*

**PLEASE NOTE!** – Next week's notice-sheet will cover 2 Sundays, **28<sup>th</sup> May & 4<sup>th</sup> June.**

Any information for inclusion in the sheet should be sent to Celia by next Tuesday evening, 23<sup>rd</sup> May.

**CHAMBER CONCERT** given by Hillingdon Philharmonic Orchestra on **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May** at 7.30 p.m. at Ickenham URC. Music by Mozart, Haydn and Schubert.

Tickets £15 Adults, £12 Concessions, Children FOC,  
available in advance from the HPO Box Office 01895 674223

### **DONATIONS FOR CHURCH FLOWERS IN JULY**

The following dates are available if anyone wishes to have flowers in church during July:-

**2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> July.** Please speak to Celia Miller if you are interested in a particular date to provide flowers, perhaps in memory of someone or in commemoration of a special date.

**CHURCH HOUSEKEEPING** – Towels from the main church kitchen and The Oasis are washed weekly by one of our church members, but we are always grateful if anyone else takes tea towels and hand towels home to wash, especially after bigger events. At the moment we seem short of hand towels. Please has anyone taken some home to wash and has yet to return them? Your co-operation is appreciated.

### **PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY & FOR THE WORLD**

We pray for members of our congregation who are recovering from recent health issues.

We think especially at this time of Leigh Smith who is recovering from a recent fall and also Mike Young who has recently undergone knee surgery, and we pray for their healing.

We pray for all the young people of our community who are sitting important exams and tests at this time.

We continue to pray for all who were affected by the devastating earthquakes in Turkey and Syria; now we also pray for people who have been affected by floods in the democratic Republic of Congo

Our earnest and heartfelt prayers continue for the end of the war in Ukraine and for peace in Sudan.

### ***Our Mission Statement***

***Ickenham United Reformed Church aims to welcome and serve others in Christ's name and spread the news of God's love.***

***We aim to help each other to grow in Christian faith and spiritual life and worship God together.***