

NOTICES & ANNOUNCEMENTS SUNDAY 7TH APRIL 2024

A very warm welcome to everyone attending our 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 7TH APRIL: 11.00 a.m. Morning Service led by Jeremy Day. Readings: Psalm 133 (p.625); John 20: 19-31(p.1089)

Duty Elder: Pauline Woodham

Reader: Pat Smith

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

SUNDAY 14TH APRIL:

11.00 a.m. Morning Service led by Revd. Lesley Goldsmith. Duty Elder: Keith Holland Reader: Frank Murphy

12.30 p.m. Annual General Meeting followed by Church Meeting.

Please attend if possible. Church Members should send apologies if they cannot attend. Refreshments will be available beforehand.

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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.

PLEASE NOTE – the next notice-sheet will cover 2 weeks – Sundays 14th & 21st April. Please send information for inclusion on notices to Shellie until the end of April 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 appears to the disciple Thomas

Then Jesus told him, 'Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed. *John 20 v.29*

'PREACHING WITH A VIEW' WEEKEND – 27TH & 28TH APRIL

It is very important that we get the full support of the congregation during this weekend. We hope as many as possible will attend the social event at Christ Church, Uxbridge, on Saturday **27th April from 4.00 to 6.30 p.m.** when you have a chance to meet the prospective minister. Please sign the list at the back of our church <u>by 7th April</u> to indicate your attendance. Offers to bring cakes for the finger buffet would be gratefully received. (do not have to be home-made).

The Service at Ickenham URC on Sunday 28th April at 11.00 a.m. will be led by the visiting Minister and you are asked to stay on after the service when a discussion and vote will take place. Adherents are welcome to join in the discussion and express opinions but **only church members** will be able to take part in the voting process.

NOTE DIARY DATES – CHURCH AGM and Church Meeting on Sunday 14th April. Our joint churches' **COVENANT SERVICE is now on Sunday 5th May** at St. Giles' at 10.30 a.m.

We were very sorry to hear of the death of our friend John Stokes on Tuesday 26th March after being in hospital since the end of January. In recent times he had been living in Devon near his family. The funeral will be at Bodmin Crematorium on Friday 19th April at 4.30 p.m. The funeral Directors are Morris Brothers. The link for connecting to a live stream on the internet is:-

https://watch. obitus.com User name: toqo6133 Password: 660296 Please make a note of these details.

PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY & FOR THE WORLD

Please remember the following people and situations in thought and prayer:-

The families of the recently deceased, - Daphne Warden, Sheila Durrant and John Stokes.

Richard Boyes who is recovering at home after spinal surgery.

Bryan & Naomi Webb after various health concerns

Steve Bullock, partner of Cathy Wilcox recovering from heart surgery.

Hillary Turyakira in Rukiga, Uganda, as he proceeds with follow-up treatment after recent brain surgery.

Our earnest and heartfelt prayers continue for the end of the war in Ukraine and other war-torn areas, thinking especially at this time of all the innocent victims of the conflict between Israel and Palestine, that a peaceful resolution may be found in that devastating situation.

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.