



Immanuel Weekly News Sunday 6th March 2022

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LENT I



<u>Thought for the week</u>: Whatever your heart clings to and confides in, that is really your God. (Martin Luther)

Retiring Collection: This Sunday there will be a retiring collection in aid of the people of Ukraine. It will be sent via Christian Aid, and the government has agreed to duplicating the amount up to £ 20 million.

Sunday Service:

10.30 Morning service: Deuteronomy 26; 1-11 and Luke 4; 1-13 Theme: Ambiguity 6.30 Evening Service: Luke 4; 1-13 – What are temptations?

Evening Services: We will celebrate evening services on Sunday 6th and 13th, and at the church meeting on Sunday 13th the proposal will come from Elders to suspend the evening services till further notice.

Please include in your prayers:

- Peaceful solution after the invasion of Ukraine.

- The people of Syria, Yemen, Somalia, Afghanistan. Hope and Justice and Peace is a world struggling with divisions
- Our journey in Lent
- The Partnership Lent Studies
- Those in need of health and healing.
- The SW Synod Meeting, Saturday 12th.

Intercession Prayers: the prayers today have been prepared by Liz Gibney and will be read by Wally

<u>We remember:</u> From the Memorial Book in the Chapel: Eileen Armitage, E Margaret De La Haye, Alan J White, Frank Armitage, Anthony J Wilkinson.

The flowers in church this Sunday are given in loving memory of Frank and Eileen Armitage.

Last Sunday's flowers were given to Bill and Judith Robertson, Viv and John Blakesley, Pat Wallinton and Pat Davis.

If you know of anybody who might welcome some flowers as a reminder that we're thinking of them, please let us know.

<u>Caring for others:</u> the official line is "we learn to live with Covid", and so all restrictions have been lifted in England, though this does not exempt us from our duty of care for others, particularly those who feel vulnerable, so we encourage you to continue taking the precautions as you have been doing so far. Thank you very much.

Partnership Lent Studies: Will be based on the musical 'Hamilton' and is entitled '*The Room Where it Happens*". The study includes clips from the show that tie in with the themes. The evening will be based around small group discussion.

The study will run for five weeks: March 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th and April 5th.

We will be at Bath Road and begin at 7.30pm and each session will finish by 9.00pm.

The themes covered are:

- 1. Identity and Belonging.
- 2. Ambition and Temptation.
- 3. Forgiveness and Redemption.
- 4. Love and Sacrifice.
- 5. Hope and Courage through Adversity.

Please put these dates in your diary and join us in this exploration of how our faith can impact the world around us."

Partnership Lent Study 2022

Time: This is a recurring meeting on Tuesday March 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th and April 5th. Commencing at 7:30pm until 9:00pm

Join Zoom Meeting: https://zoom.us/j/99298604413 Meeting ID: 992 9860 4413

<u>South-Western Synod Meeting</u>: This will take place on Saturday 12th between 09.30 – 2.00. It will be via Zoom.