



Immanuel Weekly News
Sunday 5th June 2022

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PENTECOST

Thought for the week: "Everybody is a genius. But if you judge a fish by its ability to climb a tree, it will live its whole life believing that it is stupid." Albert Einstein

Service

Bible Reading: Romans 8; 12-27 Theme: "Abba!"
Chaplain today: Liz Gibney
Intercession prayer: Prepared and led by Wally Knight.
Chaplain next Sunday: Anne Farrow

There will be tea and coffee served after this morning's service.



Image: Pentecost - Neil Thorogood

Next Sunday: Church meeting will follow the morning service when among other business we will receive a report from the World Concerns committee

Please include in your prayers:

- May the Spirit of Love, Hope, Caring guide our steps
- Peace and Justice for the people of Ukraine and all places where there is war.
- The Jubilee celebrations up and down the country
- For those who feel sad, lonely, or upset, that they may find assurance and love.

The Prayer group will meet **at 10am on these Mondays:- June 6th and 20th, July 4th and 18th**. Do join us in the Chapel if you wish and we welcome occasional visitors too. Otherwise, please give any suggestions for particular prayers to Anne Farrow, Helen Thomas or Robert Jordan.

This afternoon: 5th June: Partnership Queen's Platinum Jubilee Service, at Christ Church, at 6:30. Before the service there will be a Garden Party at 4:00. For further details see the poster in the Atrium or the Church porch.

Thanksgiving service: On Monday 6th June at 12.00 in Christ Church the local service of thanksgiving for the life of John Stevenette will take place and you are invited to attend. From the **Memorial Book** in the Chapel – we pray for the families of: **Geoff Day and Marjorie (Madge) Harmer**

Last Sunday's flowers were given to **Jackie Birt and Joan Lawrence**.

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

Amnesty: We resume, after a long pause, our support for people that Amnesty International ask us to remember and take action for. This time it is in Colombia. The link where you will find the information is as follows: <https://www.amnesty.org/en/petition/colombia-investigate-the-murder-of-kevin-agudelo/>

3 May 2021 was a night of great violence, when a joint raid by National Police officers, members of the Mobile Anti-Riot Squad (ESMAD) and members of the Special Operations Group of the Colombian National Police (GOES) used lethal weapons and tear gas against people who were holding a memorial service near the roundabout in Siloé district for a young man killed the day previously, allegedly at the hands of law enforcement officers. Three people lost their lives that night, among them Kevin Agudelo, a young football player. This operation was known as "Operation Siloé". These serious crimes and human rights violations must not go unpunished! The Colombian Attorney General's office must progress the investigation into the death of Kevin Agudelo and other human rights violations and crimes under international law committed during Operation Siloé to ensure that this NEVER happens again.

When you open the link you will find on the right-hand side a box "Write a message", and all you need to do is fill in the details and send. Easy. And it is a step towards justice. Thank you!

Eco-church

In order to continue our Eco-church ambitions we will be providing you with some tips for more sustainable living each week in the Newsletter. You may find that you are already doing these things, in which case you can give yourself a pat on the back.

Tip 2) Turn off the Lights

The UK wastes £170 million a year by leaving lights on unnecessarily.

Old Town Community Craft Fayre: on Saturday 11th June from 9:00 – 12:00 at Bath Road Methodist Church. If you have a craft you would like to show and sell or if you would like to see what other people are doing, and buy, this is your opportunity. Tables are free. Contact Sharon. Details on the poster you can find in the Church Porch.

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