



21st April 2024

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR THIS WEEK:

Acts 4: 5-12; Psalm 23; 1 John 3: 16-24; John 10: 11-18

AND NEXT...

Acts 8: 26-40; Psalm 22: 25-31; 1 John 4: 7-21; John 15: 1-8

“PRAY ALWAYS FOR ALL GOD’S PEOPLE” (Ephesians 6:18)

We continue to hold in our prayers and thoughts:
Jennie & Peter Binks, John Pearson, Sheila, Mary W, Rob &
Jenny F, Jennifer Tonks, Kevin, Mo, Bridget, Carrie and all who
have recently been bereaved.

We give thanks for the successful launch of *Little Springs* and pray
for its continued growth week by week.

Think of Kevin’s parents, Wendy & Derek, as they move to sheltered
accommodation near Mumbles, Swansea this week after more than
50 years in their present home in Bridgend.

Following a meeting of some from Wellspring with a group from
two Northampton churches who are on a journey towards becoming
a Methodist/Baptist LEP, we pray for friends from Kingsthorpe that
God will make their coming together fruitful.

With the world, we continue to pray that tension in the Middle East
will not escalate any further, and that calm heads will overrule
heartfelt emotions of the various factions.

Jigsaw Foodbank

There are collection points in the Co-op, St Mary’s and Matlock
Sainsbury’s for donations of non-perishable food items for local
families in need. At the moment there are requests for tins of meat
or fish, chopped tomatoes, rice pudding, custard and biscuits.

Please send all material for next week’s news-sheet to Lesley by
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Power and Influence

What’s On?

Sunday 21st April

10.30 a.m. **Morning Worship with Communion** – led by
Revd Kevin Price

1.45 p.m. **Circuit Walk** (*see over*)

3.00 p.m. **Muddy Church** at Shining Cliff Woods (*see over*)

4.00 p.m. **Afternoon Worship at Waltham House**

Monday 22nd April

7.30 p.m. **Life Group** (*at the Houghs’*)

Tuesday 23rd April

9.30 a.m. **Coffee Stop**

9.30 a.m. **Little Springs** (*in the worship space*)

6.00 p.m. **Brigades**

Wednesday 24th April

10.00 a.m. **Ecumenical Communion** (*at Wellspring*)

7.30 p.m. **Churches Together Meeting** (*at Wellspring*)

Thursday 25th April

5.30 p.m. **Easy Meals** (*see over*)

Friday 26th April

6.00 p.m. **Prayers for revival and growth** (*at St Mary’s*)

Saturday 27th April

7.30 p.m. **Trace & the Resonators concert** (*see over*)

Next Sunday, 28th April

10.30 a.m. **Morning worship** – led by Sue Watts

4.00 p.m. **Easter Offering Dedication Service** at Belper Methodist Church

Circuit Walk – Sunday 21st April

Meet at 1.45 p.m. in Birchover Quarry Car Park, Birchover Road, for a walk in the Stanton Moor & Birchover area.

Led by Monica Render: mjrender17@gmail.com 07818 254400

Muddy Church - Sunday 21st April at 3.00 - 4.30 p.m.

An invitation to 'wander and wonder' at Shining Cliff Woods, Ambergate, meeting at the Youth Hostel car park accessed from Jackass Lane. (See poster for more details). This Muddy Church will be in a beautiful remote setting, and being in a woodland we will be thinking about trees. EXPECT MUD!!

Easter Offering Service – Sunday 28th April at Belper Methodist Church

This Methodist tradition dates back to 1883, when women in Manchester collected £32 for missionary work overseas from 'Christmas pennies' at family gatherings on Christmas Day. An annual service of dedication is now held with all money raised through the Easter Offering going to the World Mission Fund of the Methodist Church in Great Britain for work in Partner Churches around the world. In 2023 this appeal raised over £190,000 nationally.

'Let Justice Roll' is this year's theme drawn from Amos 5:24. Offering envelopes and bookmarks are still available; please place gifts in the offering basket at Wellspring on Sunday 21st April. The Dedication Service is next Sunday 28th April at Belper Methodist Church at 4.00 p.m. and will tell stories of people standing for justice, persisting in the face of setbacks, and taking up the challenge anew as circumstances change i.e. how justice has 'rolled' into their lives. The service will be followed by tea and cakes, and all are welcome.

Trace & the Resonators – Saturday 27th April at 7.30 p.m.

Hosted at Wellspring, this concert is being presented by friends from Cromford Methodist Church. Trace is an accomplished Christian singer-songwriter, and the evening is something of her faith journey through well-known cover versions and self-penned songs. The concert starts at 7.30 p.m. and refreshments will be available in the interval. Tickets are £5.00 on the door, or to reserve please email Ian Ambrose: ian.ambrose@w3z.co.uk. All proceeds will go to Wirksworth Christmas Lunch fund. (see poster)

Earth Day – Monday 22nd April

Taking place in April every year, this event aims to bring the world together in a continuing bid to tackle some of the most serious issues facing our planet - such as global warming, pollution and health issues as a result of damaging environmental practices.

So let us pause to consider our impact and how we might help the Earth to heal. You might like to follow this link:

<https://www.earthday.org/press-release/planet-vs-plasticsglobal-theme-for-earth-day-2024/>

Christian Aid Celebration of 50 years – Sunday 12th May 4.30 p.m. at The Maltings

Save the date and keep collecting 50ps (jam jar labels are still available).

Easy Meals

Our April meal will take place on Thursday 25th at 5.30 p.m.

Starter - Melon boats

Main - Sausage and lentil casserole (GF & Veggie alternative available)

Pudding - Oaty plum crumble

Our next Congregational Meeting

is on Sunday 12th May with a shared lunch following our morning service.