



12<sup>th</sup> March 2023

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***Lent 3 – ‘Acceptance’***

**What’s On?**

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March**

10.30 a.m. **Morning Worship** - Revd Ann Anderson, our Circuit Superintendent

1.45 p.m. **Circuit Walk** (see notice inside)

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March**

2.00 pm **Memory Cafe**

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March**

9.30 a.m. **Coffee Stop**

9.30 a.m. **Prayer Zone** (online)

2.00 p.m. **Funeral of Peggy Waters**

6.00 p.m. **Girls’ & Boys’ Brigade** (in the hall & café space)

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March**

10.30 a.m. **Funeral of George Booth**

11.00 a.m. **Lent Group** (in the Meeting Room)

12.00 **Lazy Lunch**

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March**

2.00 p.m. **Cleaning**

7.00 p.m. **‘Hothouse Earth’ Talk by Bill McGuire** (see notice inside)

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March**

10.30 a.m. **Morning Worship** – Revd Kevin Price

4.00 p.m. **Café service** - Revd Kevin Price

**LECTIONARY READINGS FOR THIS WEEK:**

Exodus 17: 1-7; Psalm 95; Romans 5: 1-11; **John 4: 5-42**

**AND NEXT...**

1 Samuel 16: 1-13; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5: 8-14; **John 9: 1-41**

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

We continue to hold in our prayers and thoughts: Phil & Bridget; Jenny B; Lindsey, Jonathan and Ellie; Jennie & Peter Binks; Pat H.

Our Wirksworth community was saddened to hear of the passing of Rekha from Dip’s convenience store and we pray for her family at this time.

Remember the families of Peggy Waters and George Booth whose funerals will be held at Wellspring this coming week.

Think of those seeking asylum in the UK and pray that our strong tradition of welcoming refugees will be maintained as a political solution to the migrant crisis is sought.

Please send all material for next week’s news-sheet to Lesley by  
Tuesday March 14th [lesleyprice144@gmail.com](mailto:lesleyprice144@gmail.com)

Please also let Lesley know if you would like to be added to the mailing list to receive the news-sheet via email, or with any other updates to your details for this list.

## David Hughes

A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of David Hughes will be held at Wellspring on Monday 20th March at 2.30 pm. A private cremation will take place earlier in the day.

## Churches Together Lent Groups

This year's meetings will be led by Rev Deborah Baird, who is a retired URC minister.

Her theme is **"If I ruled the world" or "Jesus' Alternative Plan?"**

There is a change to the start time on March 15th, as Kevin will be conducting a funeral in the church from 10.30. We therefore would ask people to arrive for the Lent group at **11.00 am**, for a prompt start. There will still be coffee available!

## Bill McGuire - 'Hothouse Earth'

A reminder about this talk here on 16th March (7 for 7.30pm). Well over half of the available places have already gone so do get in touch with Paul ([paulheppleston5@gmail.com](mailto:paulheppleston5@gmail.com)) very soon. It would be encouraging to have a good presence from the Wellspring fellowship at this key talk.

## Circuit Walk - 12th March

Kevin and Lesley will be leading this walk starting from Wellspring at 1.45 p.m. and taking a familiar route for locals - through the Puzzle Gardens and to Middleton Top via the Star Disc and back via the High Peak Trail and Bolehill. It would be good to have some Wellspring folk along! Please let Kevin know if you plan to join us.

## Knitters needed!

Churches Together are planning an *Easter Egg Hunt* for Saturday 8th April and need lots of knitted chicks to hide chocolate eggs. Any interested knitters please ask Kevin for a pattern (*for he doesn't knit!*).

## Jigsaw Food Bank

There are collection points in St Mary's and Co-op (and Matlock Sainsbury's) for donations of non-perishable food to support local families in need. Items currently needed include: pasta sauce, biscuits, UHT milk, and tins of meat, tuna, soup, fruit and rice pudding.

## Don't forget Memory Café

The monthly session will be on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2.00–4.00 p.m. with a themed programme of activities such as games, crafts, singing and a chance to chat – as well as refreshments.

## Earth Hour

As in past years, we are encouraged to recognise the impact that Earth Hour has on the planet. On each occasion folk are asked to use as little electricity as possible for just one hour @ 8.30-9.30pm (local time) on **Saturday 25th March**. Some people feel challenged to use no electricity, though that's not possible for everyone.

Wellspring has been engaging with this for several years and the hope is that we can do it again. If the whole earth did it (!) the level of fossil fuel use would plummet... albeit for just one hour. But it's a start. Let's do our best for Earth. <https://www.earthhour.org/>

## Church Diary

A quick reminder that the church diary is now managed electronically with 'Team-up'. If anyone regularly needs up-to-date information on room use and availability, please ask David Butlin for access to the 'read-only' version of this – it works well on a mobile phone.