

**LECTIONARY READINGS FOR THIS WEEK:**

Genesis 45.3-11,15; Psalm 37.1-11,39-40; 1  
Corinthians 15.35-38,42-50; **Luke 6.27-38**



**AND NEXT....**

Exodus 34.29-35; Psalm 99; 2 Corinthians 3.12-4.2; **Luke 9.28-36,(37-43)**

**“I HAVE ENGRAVED YOUR NAME ON THE PALM OF MY HAND”**

We continue to hold in our prayers and thoughts.... **Gladys, Ethel, Phil & Bridget, Claire, Tracey, Melanie & Riley, Valerie, Revd Stephen & Ruth, Margaret & John, Joy, Craig, Sally, Kyla and family, David and Jenny T, Gilly, Ali P,** and for all who have lost loved ones.

**Prayer Zone**

We will meet again on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9.30 a.m. using our church link:  
<https://zoom.us/j/6241909980>

**For Prayer**

Pray for our response to the Coronavirus Pandemic as restrictions are eased and for all who work in the NHS and the Care sector.

We continue to hold the people of Tonga, Ukraine and Afghanistan in our prayers.

Give thanks that our Annexe and refurbishment works have now reached handover and pray for Derwent Valley Construction as they move on to another project. For ourselves may our excitement be transformed into action as we begin to use our superb new facilities.

**Foodbank**

Donations can be made in the collection box in St Mary’s (accessed via the north door) and in the Co-op.

All material for the next Newssheet to Jenny by Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb please  
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**W E L L S P R I N G**

**Feb 20<sup>th</sup> 2022**

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**Zoom Room:** <https://zoom.us/j/6241909980>

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**Going Back**

*‘For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD’  
(Jeremiah 29:11)*

We’re standing on the threshold of a new beginning,  
joining hands together as we face the light;  
leaving space for God, the Holy Spirit’s presence,  
trusting in his promise for a future bright.

Take from us the fear of all the old ways changing;  
give us each the vision of bonded whole -  
so that all the world will see a new revealing,  
see the Source of all that beats within our soul.

Then we’ll be together in a new creation,  
Looking for the dawning of a bright new day,  
walking hand in hand and taking risks in loving  
trusting that in future we will walk your way.

Let us journey on towards a God-planned future.  
Celebrating one-ness, relegating fear;  
seeing new horizons ‘cross the shining ocean -  
realising that the Kingdom’s now – and here!

*Song of the Equinox, by Paul Heppleston with John Bayes,  
sung at the Wellspring launch service Sep 2014,  
and at Kevin’s Induction service Sep 2017*

## Going back

Last week, I went to school for the first time in two years. It was good to be back, if a little unfamiliar for us all. I didn't recognise some of the teachers and the children didn't remember me, and got confused whilst trying to say "good afternoon Mr..." in sign language! Then we thought about shoe sizes and how (with children's feet) new shoes often show how much you've grown. *(In case you are wondering... this was about the parable of the mustard seed)*

Well fourteen months have passed since work started on the Annexe and some of us haven't been inside the building for nearly two years. It may seem unfamiliar when we regather, as both our surroundings and the way we do things will be different, but we might also recognise how we have grown in many ways during our time apart.

Of course some things will be familiar - it is good that we can support Fairtrade Fortnight with a lunch this year; and there will be other familiar events and activities as we move forward in our new space. It's an exciting time for us all with so much potential for further growth. So let's get back, and get on with it!

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Blessings

**Kevin**

## Sunday Services

During February we are welcome to join worship at Cromford Methodist Church (10.30 a.m.) or with the URC (at 10.00 a.m.).

Kevin is leading worship at Tansley Methodist Church this Sunday morning.

## Coming Up

21<sup>st</sup> Feb - 6<sup>th</sup> March Fairtrade Fortnight

**26<sup>th</sup> Feb - Congregational Meeting - 10.30 a.m. at Wellspring**

27<sup>th</sup> Feb - Afternoon Service at Waltham House - 4.00 p.m.

1<sup>st</sup> Mar - Christian Aid Pancake Lunch - 12.00 p.m. at The Maltings

1<sup>st</sup> Mar - Brigades Pancake Party - 6.00 p.m.

4<sup>th</sup> Mar - World Day of Prayer - 2.00 p.m. at the URC

**6<sup>th</sup> Mar - First Service back at Wellspring - 10.30 a.m.**

9<sup>th</sup> Mar - CTWD Lent groups begin

2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> April - Wellspring Big Well-come

## Congregational Meeting - Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> at 10.30 a.m.

We are delighted to be able to hold our Congregational Meeting at Wellspring next Saturday morning. So come and see our new facilities, think about how we now move forward as church, *and* stay for some Fairtrade lunch if you are able.

**World Day of Prayer:** Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm at the URC. This year the service has been written by Christian women from England, Wales and Northern Ireland. All are Welcome!

**Churches Together Lent Groups:** Wellspring will be hosting these on Wednesdays during Lent, beginning on March 9<sup>th</sup> in the Meeting Room, from 10-11.30 am. There will also be an online meeting on Wednesday evenings from 7-8.30 pm. More details nearer the time

## Wellspring bookings

Now that we have the key to the annexe, Lesley is taking bookings. Rooms will be available for Wellspring affiliated groups after the first service on 6<sup>th</sup> March, and external bookings after the Big Well-come. There is a new mobile phone number for lettings: (07585 641678), but the preferred means of contact is the email address ([bookings@wellspringchurchwirksworth.co.uk](mailto:bookings@wellspringchurchwirksworth.co.uk)) - or see Lesley in person. As we now have multiple rooms available, please make sure all bookings come through Lesley so that they are entered in the diary with the correct times and the room required. Thank you!

**Wellspring Directory** a new edition for 2022 is available – ask Sue for a copy. And thanks to her and Ingrid for producing it.