

ABBHEY HILL U.R.C. MAGAZINE



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2023



Thoughts on Faith and Tolerance

I hope you've enjoyed May's coronation celebrations. We saw our new King vow to serve God and the people and 'Faith' was a cornerstone in the proceedings.

Part of the Oath the King took was that he; *'...will seek to foster an environment in which people of all faiths and beliefs may live freely'*. Also in the King's prayer; *'Grant that I may be a blessing to all thy children, of every faith and conviction that together we may discover the ways of gentleness and be led into the paths of peace...'*

There was also much discussion around whether he should still be called Defender of the Faith as used in previous coronations or Defender of Faith (the latter being chosen). This was underscored by inviting the leaders of different faiths to the coronation, for the first time, to represent their followers. If we aspire to be tolerant of other faiths do we consider how tolerant we are about how others see and profess their faith? Do we listen to other people's views with tolerance? It's always easy to focus on identifying our differences when perhaps it would be useful to focus on our similarities.

The Elders are rewriting Abbey Hill's pastorate profile which is a document all about church life at Abbey Hill. Its main use has been to inform prospective new ministers by explaining who we are, how we function and our aims for the future. We state that;
Abbey Hill is an "open" church. Being an active Christian Community, our fellowship has a common faith. We do not have a laid out set of beliefs which we expect people to follow. Rather we are happy to welcome people who have a wide range of beliefs (and doubts), people who will be at different stages of their own spiritual journey but who would like to travel along this journey with us.

Our faith is not something we often talk about. Perhaps we don't share our thoughts as they may seem too intangible to put into words or too personal to divulge? There may be a reluctance, as we can't always predict how other people will respond. Trying to find the words made me think about the first two lines of a favourite poem of mine, *"Hope" is the thing with feathers - That perches in the soul -...* (I've included the full poem by Emily Dickinson at the end). It made me wonder how people 'see' or experience their faith. Perhaps an anchor, a theological ideal, a source of comfort or a challenge laid down? Might it change as time goes by, life adding to its feel and flavour? Are we 'Defenders of Faith'? (Answers on a postcard please! 😊).

I like to think that God smiles whenever our faith is expressed through tolerance and love.

Vivien Nichols (elder)

"Hope" is the thing with feathers

BY [EMILY DICKINSON](#)

"Hope" is the thing with feathers -
That perches in the soul -
And sings the tune without the words -
And never stops - at all -

And sweetest - in the Gale - is heard -
And sore must be the storm -
That could abash the little Bird
That kept so many warm -

I've heard it in the chilliest land -
And on the strangest Sea -
Yet - never - in Extremity,
It asked a crumb - of me.

CHURCH SERVICES FOR JUNE 2023



- 4th Sunday** **11.00 Family Service led by George Jones.**
- 11th Sunday** **11.00 Family Service led by Robert Maloney.**
- 18th Sunday** **11.00 Family Service with Communion led by George Jones.**
- 25th Sunday** **11.00 Family Service led by Ivan Pointon.**

CHURCH SERVICES FOR JULY 2023

- 2nd Sunday** **11.00 Family Service led by George Jones.**
- 9th Sunday** **11.00 Family Service led by Claire Nutbrown-Hughes.**
- 16th Sunday** **11.00 Family Service with Communion led by
Jane Woods-Scawen.**
- 23rd Sunday** **11.00 Family Service led by George Jones.**
- 30th Sunday** **11.00 Café Church Service led by The Worship Group.**

Dates for your Diary – June 2023

Here's a peek at the events that are coming up and being planned.
Lists will be up on the noticeboard for willing helpers and how to obtain tickets as necessary.

Event	Venue	Date	Time	Coordinators
Coffee Pot	Abbey Hill	Every Thursday	9.30 to 11.30	Betty and David Connelly
Community Listening Exchange hosted by Coffee Pot	Abbey Hill	3rd Thursday every month	10.00	Ivan Pointon and Ed Watson
Repair cafe	Abbey Hill	Every 3rd Saturday	2 til 5pm	Kenilworth Repair Cafe
Talisman theatre Pride and Prejudice	Talisman Theatre	Thursday 29th June	7.00pm For 7.30 start	John Nichols
Kenilworth Lions Grand Show	Abbey Fields	Saturday 10th June	1pm til 10pm	Kenilworth Lions
Church meeting	Abbey Hill	Sunday 18th June	After service and coffee	George Jones and Jo Warren
Plastic Free July	Look out for details			

Pew for You?

Ex U.R.C Pew. Needs varnishing/painting, to include Pew Cushion. Both free to good home!

Contact 01926 717412

Many thanks

Pat Scott

ROTAS – JUNE 2023

	Transport	Flowers provided by	Flowers arranged by
04/06	Colin Ritchie	Winnie Tawil	Betty Connelly
11/06	John Nichols	Fred Holloway	Anne Gilmore
18/06	Di Wilson	Martyn Todd	Di Wilson
25/06	Colin Ritchie	Eileen John	Eileen John
	Projector & Sound	Stewards	Readers
04/06	Bronwen	Hilary Scott / Ann Banning	David Connelly
11/06	David	Betty Connelly / Kath Shortley	Donna Curran
18/06	Alison	Anne and Fred Holloway	Elinor Davies
25/06	Ivan	Rosemary Lawrence / Donna Bloy	Fred Holloway
	Coffee	Car Park	Vestry
04/06	Rosemary Lawrence / Suzanne Hall		Vivien Nichols
11/06	Alison Pointon / Hilary Scott		John Nichols
18/06	Pate and Jo Warren		Colin Ritchie
25/06	Jane Woods - Scawen / John Thomas		Jane Woods - Scawen
	Communion Prep.	Comm. Servers	
	John Nichols / Jo Warren		

ROTAS – JULY 2023

	Transport	Flowers provided by	Flowers arranged by
2/7	John Nichols	Heather Barton	Heather Barton
9/7	Di Wilson	Anne Gilmore	Vivien Nichols
16/7	Colin Ritchie	Pat Cowan	Betty Connelly
23/7	John Nichols	Di Wilson	Di Wilson
30/7	Di Wilson	Pat Scott	Barbara Gillard
	Projector & Sound	Stewards	Readers
2/7	John	Phil Inshaw / Eileen John	Rosemary Lawrence
9/7	Bronwen	Pat Cowan / Anne Gilmore	Ivan Pointon
16/7	David	Jo & John Williams	John Spenser
23/7	Alison	John & Vivien Nichols	Anne Gilmore
30/7	Ivan	Di Wilson / Julia Graham	John McKenzie
	Coffee	Car Park	Vestry
2/7	Susan Derwent / Di Wilson		Anne Holloway
9/7	Betty Connelly / Eileen John		Jo Warren
16/7	Pat Cowan / Glynis Hobbins		Anne Gilmore
23/7	Anne & Fred Holloway		Kath Shortley
30/7	Kath Shortley / Cheryl Ritchie		Vivien Nichols
	Communion Prep.	Comm. Servers	
	Vivien Nichols / Colin Ritchie		

NEWS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

NEWS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY FOR JUNE

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Among those celebrating a birthday in June are

6th June Edward Lawrence

8th June Alison Pointon

11th June David Littleford

13th June Ivan Pointon

20th June Esme Thorpe & Donna Curran

22nd June Michael Curran

25th June Ann Holloway

27th June Pat Scott

28th June David Connelly and Judith Lewis

Congratulations to David Littleford who celebrates a birthday ending with an “0”

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Happy Wedding Anniversary wishes

11th June Vera & Andy Cooper

11th June Cheryl & Colin Ritchie

Special congratulations go to Cheryl and Colin who celebrate their Ruby Wedding, 40 years

CHRISTENING

Sunday 23rd April saw a very happy event in Church – the christening of 8 months old Lochlan (known as Lochy) Ritchie. Lochlan is the first child of Cheryl and Colin’s son Andy and his wife Penny. The church was full of family and friends including Penny’s 98 year old Grandmother. A lovely service enjoyed by all was the verdict.

THINKING OF

We continue to pray for Winnie Tawil, Joy Verall, Mavis Duckworth, Edna Dixon, Mary Skidmore, Esme Thorpe, Janet Turner and many others who do not want to be named.

EXAMS

At this time of year, we think especially of all youngsters associated with Abbey Hill as they sit their exams be they GCSEs, A Levels or degree exams. We wish them well

PEACE IS.....

....built on the rock of God's love.

*...not sorting myself out ,
but letting God sort me out.*

*....not a matter of thinking how bad I am,
but of realising how much God loves me.*

From Quiet Moments by Tom Wright

Please let Pat Cowan know in person or on 01926 313904, of any Pastoral Care concerns.



The Roar



The Newsletter of Kenilworth Lions Club Grand Show 2023

June 10th 2023



MAKE A DATE:



Saturday
10th June
at 12.30
AbbeyFields

Lions 2023 Grand Show with added **FIRE**

This year's Grand Show will have many of the same elements that have made it a firm favourite with our visitors, but this year we have an extra treat that is sure to make an impression. We have been given the honour of a flypast (weather permitting) of one of the most iconic aircraft in the world – the Spitfire! This aircraft, from the Royal Air Force Battle of Britain Memorial Flight, will be overhead at some point in the afternoon, it is a sight, and sound, not to be missed.



There will be a great variety of stalls on Abbey Fields for you to visit, a fun dog show for the pooches, and an excellent selection of performers on the stage, and in the arena for you to enjoy. The evening performances – so popular last year – are returning, so get your dancing shoes on and get ready to boogie!

The newly elected Mayor will open the show for us, having arrived in a beautiful Alvis car, locally built and loaned to us by our friends at Red Triangle here in Kenilworth.

Lions will provide numerous activities for young and old alike, a supervised children's play area and the traditional raffle tickets will be on sale.

Food and drink will be available throughout the afternoon and into the evening :- burgers, Indian food, pig roast, ice creams and of course a bar provided by Church Farm Brewery.



Local schools will be well represented, with both St. Augustine's primary and Kenilworth School on stage to perform for you. Kenilworth's own all female Morris Side – Chinewrde Morris, are visiting us for the first time this year. In the arena, we will be entertained by both The Jennifer Lee School of Dance, and the Viva Theatre Arts group.

Back by popular demand are the bands in the evening, The bar will still be open, So stay on and enjoy the show! You can sit in the area in front of the stage – bring a deckchair!

Kenilworth Lions Charity Grand Show
Saturday 10th June 2023 Programme
Main Stage and Arena



Royal Spa Brass	12.30pm
Cavalcade of classic Alvis and Morgan cars leaves St John's	12.45pm
Official opening by Town Mayor, Cllr Alix Dearing	1.00pm
Parade of classic Alvis and Morgan cars around the arena	1.05pm
Priory Theatre	1.30pm
St Augustines School Choir	2.00pm
Chinewrde Morris Dancers	2.30pm
Kenilworth School Band	3.00pm
Jennifer Lee Dance	3.30pm
Viva Dance	4.00pm
Dog Show Final	4.30pm
Presentation of raffle prizes – show ends	4.50 - 5.00pm

The Dog Show timetable:

- 2.30pm – Lovely Ladies (all female), 2.50pm – Fabulous fellas (all male)
- 3.10pm – Golden Oldies (over 8), 3.30pm – Cutest puppy (under 12 months)
- 3.50pm – Waggiest tail, best smile or best Trick (open to all)
- 4.30pm – Best in Show (main arena)

Evening Programme – Main Stage

Ava Rose	5.30pm
Blues Extra	6.30pm
Chain of Fools	8.00pm

Celebrating Fatherhood

'What is a Christian? The richest answer I know is that a Christian is one who has God as Father. If you want to know how well a person understands Christianity, find out how much he makes of the thought of being God's child and having God as his Father.' (J I Packer, *Knowing God*)

The month we celebrate fathers on Father's Day. Unlike Mothering Sunday, this doesn't have a distinctly Christian origin. However, it does provide an opportunity to celebrate God's fatherhood and what it means for us.

At His baptism, as Jesus came out of the water: *'heaven was opened, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on Him. And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, whom I love; with Him I am well pleased.'* (Matthew 3:16,17). What can we learn about Jesus' relationship with His Father, the role of fathers and our relationship with God?

The Father's presence

When Jesus was baptized, the Father made His presence real by the Holy Spirit. It's the Spirit who enables us to call God *'daddy'* (abba, Galatians 4:6). God is with us and knows our joys and sorrows, fears and trials. In this way, dads can relate to their children.

The Father's love

The Father described His Son as *'beloved'*, who like us, is subject to His unconditional love. Dads should be constant in assuring their children of their love.

The Father's pleasure

The Father tells Jesus that He is *'well pleased'* with Him. We also need to hear this, if we feel that we are disappointing God or letting Him down. This can arise with harsh words spoken by our parents. Fathers should use every opportunity to demonstrate their pleasure in their children, especially when things go wrong.

75 years since the arrival of Windrush

It was 75 years ago, on 21st June 1948, that the passenger ship *HMT Empire Windrush* docked in London, bringing the first large group of immigrants from the West Indies to the UK.

It was a result of the British Government's invitation to people from Commonwealth countries to settle in Britain and help rebuild the country after the devastation of the Second World War. The promise was one of prosperity and full employment, and the *Windrush* – ironically built and launched in Germany in 1930 – carried more than 1000 people, though the figure is often given as 492. In fact, there were probably 492 men from Jamaica, but also men and women from other islands, plus Polish men and women.

Most of the Caribbeans remained to settle permanently, despite mixed reactions. The first of what became known as the Windrush generation were housed temporarily in the Brixton area, where Windrush Square – an open space in front of the Brixton Tate Library – marks their arrival.

The Windrush generation generally defines everyone who emigrated to Britain from the Caribbean between 1948 and 1971, at which point all Commonwealth citizens living in the UK were given the right to remain. In 2018 a scandal emerged involving ineptitude by the Home Office which had resulted in people from this generation being wrongly detained, denied legal rights and threatened with deportation. It was calculated that more than 80 had been wrongly deported.

These people had been living and working in the UK for decades but had never been provided with the official paperwork, and the Home Office had kept no record of those granted leave to remain. The UK Government apologised, and the Home Secretary at the time, Amber Rudd, described her department's performance as "appalling".

'He gave us eyes to see them': Tintoretto's 'Christ at the Sea of Galilee'

In 1833 Mendelssohn composed two overtures inspired by the sea.

'Fingal's Cave' portrays the gentle roll of the waves and the call of the wind on the waters around Staffa. 'Calm Sea and Prosperous Voyage' paints a sea journey when the fog lifts, the sky clears, the safety of land beckons and the boat arrives in the harbour.



This month's painting shows us a very different picture of the sea. It is 'Christ at the Sea of Galilee' by Tintoretto. He was an Italian painter of the Renaissance period who worked in Venice until his death in 1594. All his paintings are marked by intensity and drama, whether it is the Last Supper, the Conversion of St Paul, or this canvas. Tintoretto worked so quickly and so single-mindedly that he was nicknamed 'Il Furioso.' And it is the fury of the sea that is captured here. Not the lazy waters of Venice or the calm seas of Mendelssohn's music. Now the sea and the sky above are in torment and revolt, and the world is dominated by the violence of this storm.

The Sea of Galilee is like that. One moment, the sky is clear and windless, the next, a gust can whip up the waters into anger. In Scripture the sea is always an element to fear. For the psalmist the sea contains creeping things innumerable and even monsters. For John in the book of Revelation, the sea ceases to exist when the new heaven and the new earth appear. The threat of that element is pervasive in this painting. The sail of the boat bends with the raging of the wind, and the vessel is tossed up and down – so near the shore, and yet so far. Above, the clouds frown.

But enfolding the scene are two signs of hope and life. To one side we see a tall tree in leaf and growing. At the other side is the tall figure of Jesus: a sign of safety and hope to the disciples, floundering in the boat. His feet are just vague outlines in the water, but His hand is firm as He beckons to His followers. Peter, brave and headstrong as ever, begins to climb out of the boat with no immediate sense of danger. This month of June ends with his feast day when we celebrate a saint who was so much like us. Wanting to follow Jesus, but finding himself weak; eager to serve, but unable to back words up with deeds. And yet, through all that, God's grace triumphed in Peter's life. We know that he will be saved here as he steps onto the wild water to reach Jesus.

This raging element is a parable of life with its storms and challenges for Peter and for all of us. Just as the sea threatens to swallow the boat and the disciples in it, so we know how the world threatens to swallow us up. Each of us, in our discipleship, faces concerns and challenges, anxieties about the present, even despair about the future. Tintoretto is saying to us from this canvas, Reach out and take hold of the sure hand of our Lord. That will be an anchor for you when the sea of life is calm and when the storm rages. 'Will your anchor hold?' asks the hymn, and we can reply

*'We have an anchor that keeps the soul,
Steadfast and sure while the billows roll;
Fastened to the rock which cannot move,
Grounded firm and deep in the Saviour's love.'*

ECO MATTERS

July is (single use) plastic free month.

There is a web site plastic free July where there is information and a challenge that can be signed up to.

The Eco Group feel that this could be quite daunting so will be sending out bite sized information about this later in June. The idea is to give a weekly action for people to follow and the opportunity to feedback how they have fared with each action.

However, do sign up to the whole challenge if you would like to.

The group have also been looking at supermarket environmental policies or their sustainability statements. There is a lot of very interesting pieces of information which we plan to disseminate bit by bit.

They all claim to be reducing single use plastic in various ways. Watch this space as they say!!!

One thing that has been noticed is that much of the own label packaging which was once " Do Not Recycle" is now " Recycle with plastic bags at large supermarkets".

A couple of people have also signed up to Plastic Free Kenilworth and there is a lot happening there too. More about that next month.

If you are interested in joining the church group, please get in touch, anne.gilmore@abbeyhillurc.com

Support National Week of the Ocean 4th – 10th June

The National Week of the Ocean is held each year during the second week of June.

It aims to spotlight the threats faced by marine habitats and species, and also to offer some solutions on how to solve them.

The health of the oceans is critical to the health of our planet. The ocean makes up about 70% of the world's surface, and supplies about 50% of oxygen in the world. It acts as a vital source of carbon and even regulates the weather. It is the main source of protein for more than a billion people around the world, and as such, is essential to the economy of many nations, with an estimated 40 million people likely to be employed by ocean-based industries by 2030. More information at: <https://worldoceanday.org>

Does the past haunt you?

A lady had driven her car into a ditch, and there she sat. When the police arrived, they asked her what had happened. "I was looking in the rear-view mirror, instead of looking at the road ahead," she explained.

What a thought! There is no way to go forward if your eyes are focused on what's behind – either in driving, or in life. A lot of people 'ditch' themselves because they can't take their eyes off the past, can't focus on the future, and move ahead, with hope in God.

Give up all hope for a better yesterday. You can't change the past. It is dangerous to obsess over it. Instead, consider that there are over 500 verses in the Bible that tell us that God is merciful and longing to forgive us and restore us if we only turn to Him. As Isaiah wrote: 'Do not remember the former things, neither consider the things of old. For behold, I am doing a new thing...' (Is 43:18,19). So why let the past ruin your future? Let God begin to do that 'new' thing in your life.

The brilliant Pascal

Four hundred years ago, on 19th June 1623, Blaise Pascal was born in central France. This brilliant mathematician, physicist, theologian and philosopher invented one of the first mechanical calculators – among many other things.

Pascal, whose mother died when he was three and who was brought up by his father, was prominent from a young age in different scientific fields – he laid the foundation for the modern theory of probabilities, created Pascal's principle of pressure, invented the hydraulic press and the syringe, and devised a primitive roulette wheel while searching for a perpetual motion machine.

He created his calculator – the Pascaline – to assist his father, then the local administrator at Rouen, in his tax assessments. It operated by counting integers and thus was in a sense the first digital calculator.

At the age of 31 he had a mystical experience that he called a “night of fire”, which changed his life. After that he became involved closely with the Catholic Church (as was his similarly brilliant sister, Jacqueline) and wrote extensively on theological matters, insisting that men must be brought to God through Christ alone. His scientific training lent his Christian writing a strength of argument, and he produced many memorable quotes, such as the words he put in Jesus' mouth: “Be comforted; you would not be looking for me if you had not found me.”

Pascal was never a well man, possibly suffering from coeliac disease, and died in great pain in 1662, probably from a combination of stomach and brain cancer. One of his last major achievements was introducing the first bus service to Paris, using a carriage with many seats on a fixed route at a fixed price. Whereas most buses are late, this service was before its time and closed in 1675.

Bible Society says it is “excited” to be sponsoring a garden based on Psalm 27 at the RHS Flower Show Tatton Park in July. Psalm 27 is a profound meditation on loss, fear and faith.

Inspired by designer Ollie Pike’s reflections on burial grounds – “scenes of sadness, but also of hope and spiritual refreshment” – the Psalm 27 Garden will aim to lead visitors on a journey through pain to peace.

Ollie Pike first heard the psalm when attending a funeral. “Its hopeful message was very comforting at a time of sadness,” he said.

“The psalm speaks to me of protection and to be hopeful. It gives a feeling of comfort in difficult moments and to have faith that things will improve.”

The garden follows Bible Society’s sponsorship of Sarah Eberle’s Psalm 23 Garden at the RHS Chelsea Flower Show in 2021. The Psalm 23 Garden won a gold medal, Best Sanctuary Garden and Best Construction.

Bible Society hopes to use this garden to “introduce people to biblical wisdom, and to help them see that the Bible can speak to them today.”

How more protein could help prevent your midlife spread

Eating more protein can help prevent your midlife spread, partly by suppressing your appetite. A recent study has found that people eat 210 calories *more* per day than when they are on a low-protein diet.

Yet most of us aren’t eating enough protein. A study from the University of Sheffield found less than half of over-65s studied met the official UK reference nutrient intake (RNI) of 0.8 grams of protein per kilogram (2.2lb) of their body weight per day – or about 50g a day for a 10st person.

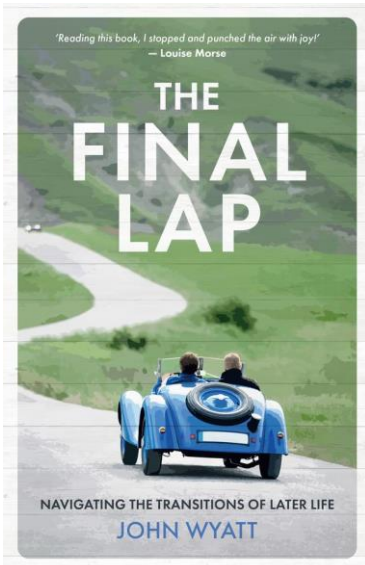
Adding an egg, smoked salmon, authentic Greek yogurt, nuts, or half a can of beans on two slices of wholewheat toast and a 250ml glass of milk, can all help.

The great thing about protein is that it is so filling you might not need to snack. But if you are still peckish, avoid biscuits, chocolate and crisps, and instead choose nuts and seeds, cooked chicken, a bowl of Greek yogurt or a small piece of cheese.

Summer Reading

The Final Lap - navigating the transitions of later life

By John Wyatt, 10Publishing, £6.99



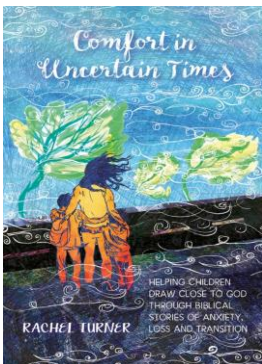
Life's a marathon with many highs and lows along the way. As we approach retirement we transition into a new stage of our race, presenting us with a range of possibilities and pitfalls to navigate.

With experience and warmth, John Wyatt invites Christians to think through how we can approach the next stages of life well. He considers the move firstly from work to retirement, then independency to dependency, and finally from life to death as we approach the finishing line.

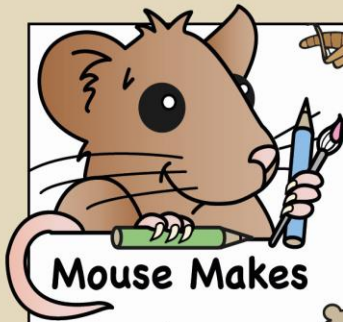
Whilst being honest about the struggles of each transition, *The Final Lap* lays out the wonderful opportunities God gives in every stage. And the more prepared we are to face each transition as it comes, the better we can face the challenges and the more fully we can embrace the future with hope and joy.

Comfort in Uncertain Times By Rachel Turner, BRF, £8.99

Uncertainty and change can be hard, and even more so for a child. Their feelings of confusion, powerlessness and insecurity may be overwhelming. Scripture is full of people just like our children, who had to cope with uncertainty and transition, but who flourished as they saw God's hand and presence within it all.



Designed as a series of stories and discussions for families, this book lays out a biblical foundation for who God is in uncertain times, and how to stay connected to Him.



Mouse Makes

The Lord said to Moses,
 "Your brother Aaron shall tell Pharaoh
 to let the people of Israel go out of his land...
 The Egyptians shall know that I AM the Lord
 when I stretch out my hand against Egypt..."

As Pharaoh's heart was hardened against the
 Israelites, God sent ten plagues upon him...



1
Water turns to Blood
 Which water turned
 to blood?
Read - Exodus 7:19

D F G B O I L S L
 L S O O T O P I B
 A W D P E O P L E
 N A N I M A L S A

6
A Break out of Boils
 What did Moses throw into
 the air before boils appeared
 on people and animals?
Read - Exodus 9:10

2
A Swarm of Frogs
 In which
 places were the
 frogs found?
Read - Exodus 8:3-4

D R S N G N A T S
 U M I D N I G H T
 S S T A F F U O O
 T A A R O N E N O

7
A Rain of Hail
 What also rained
 down with the hail?
 Where did it not hail?
Read - Exodus 9:24-26

3
A Plague of Gnats
 When Aaron struck his
 staff on the ground
 what became Gnats?
Read - Exodus 8:16-17

T M A N W A T E R
 M O S E S R W R O
 C R F S N I L E U

8
A Swarm of Locusts
 Where did the wind
 come from that brought
 the locusts to the land?
Read - Exodus 10:13

4
Swarms of Flies
 In which land were the
 flies not be found?
Read - Exodus 8:22

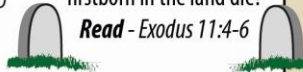
R E G H W O U I E
 E R S A K O S S A
 H W I N D T H T
 I L F L I E S E H

9
Darkness over the Land
 How many days did
 it remain dark?
Read - Exodus 10:21-22

5
Death of Animals
 Which animals that belonged
 to the Egyptians died?
Read - Exodus 9:2

G O D • P L A G U E S • M O S E S • A A R O N
 W A T E R • B L O O D • S T A F F • R I V E R • N I L E • F I S H
 F R O G S • S W A R M • G N A T S • D U S T • F L I E S
 G R O U N D • D E A T H • A N I M A L S • S O O T
 B O I L S • P E O P L E • H A I L • T H U N D E R • F I R E
 M A N • B E A S T • L O C U S T S • W I N D • L A N D
 D A R K N E S S • F I R S T B O R N • M I D N I G H T

10
Death of the Firstborn
 At what time would the
 firstborn in the land die?
Read - Exodus 11:4-6





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Repair Café Kenilworth

Repair Café Kenilworth (ReCK) is a free meeting space that's all about repairing things together, be that clothes, toys, furniture, electrical appliances, bicycles ... there's very little that can't be repaired by our team of expert volunteers.

We meet at the United Reformed Church every third Saturday in the month, between 2PM and 5PM. There is free parking outside the Church, but it can get quite busy. If your item is particularly heavy or large, we'll always try to assist you as best as possible.



Sustainable. Social. Economic. Fun.

A local Repair Café is a not-for-profit community event, created by neighbours, for their neighbours. The aim of the Repair Café Kenilworth (and those worldwide) is to reduce waste, increase sustainability, save money, and have fun in an informal social gathering.

Oh ... with lots of tea and cake on tap also. It is a Repair CAFE after all.

Bin it? No Way!

Some things have to be thrown away ... the old toothbrush with curly bristles, that blown light bulb that's been sitting inside the cupboard since 1983, the fish 'n' chip wrappers from last night's tea ... but what about that broken bedside lamp, or the rickety wooden stool that belonged to your grandparents?



The Repair Café movement has one simple question, and an even simpler answer; Bin it? No Way!

Along with actually repairing your broken items, we'll help you to develop the skills to start repairing them yourself, to promote the culture of repair over replace, and to give you the satisfaction of bringing your treasured memories back to life.

Further details

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The third Saturday afternoon of the month at Abbey Hill Church 2pm-5pm.

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Worried that your life is changing beyond recall?

A wise farmer rotates his crops. No one thing should always be grown in the same place. In fact, change and diversity are the key to long-term health. It is the same for us: for us to be at our most productive, we must not be surprised if God suddenly rests us from 'growing corn,' and gives us something else to do instead. Often it is something we would never have imagined!

Life is lived in seasons: in each of our lives, there is a time to do this, a time to do that. Too many of us lose our sense of self-worth and direction because we don't understand when we're leaving one season and entering another in life. We struggle and want to hang on to what we had.

But sometimes God wants to give us something *new*, to make us productive at *every* stage of our life. God will never put you in a place too small to grow. You may be asked to grow in ways that seem uncomfortable at first, but He is out to develop you fully, in every aspect of your being – not just the ones at which you are already good!



Church bulletin notices that didn't quite work...

- ~ The Revd John Adams spoke briefly, much to the delight of his audience.
- ~ The students will present Shakespeare's 'Hamlet' in the church on Friday at 7pm. The congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.
- ~ A new loudspeaker system has been installed in the church. It was given by one of our members in memory of his wife.
- ~ The outreach committee has enlisted 25 visitors to make calls on people who are not afflicted with any church.
- ~ The Pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday morning.
- ~ The audience is asked to remain seated until the end of the recession.

Reasons for marriage

Studying our wedding photos, my six-year-old asked, "Did you marry Dad because he was a vicar?"

"Not at all," I replied.

"Did you marry him because he was good-looking?"

"No, not that either," I replied.

"Did you marry him for his money?"

"Definitely not," I laughed. "He didn't have any."

"So," he concluded sadly, "you just felt sorry for him."

Gardening

Overheard at my gardening club meeting: "I never knew what compost was until I met my husband."

Plant

During our minister's very lengthy sermon, a large plant suddenly fell over right behind the pulpit, crashing to the floor. He smiled sheepishly. "Well, that's the first time I actually put a plant to sleep!"

Miscellaneous observations on life

I burn about 2000 calories every time I put on fitted sheets by myself.

It's weird, being the same age as old people.

One who boasts of being a self-made person relieves the Lord of a lot of responsibility.

If you can't be kind, at least have the decency to be vague.

Living on Earth is expensive, but it does include a free trip around the sun every year.

You know that indestructible black box that is used on airplanes? Why don't they make the whole plane out of that stuff?

As long as there are exams, there will be prayer in schools.

When children meet the Bible, the result can be unpredictable. As in these answers to a school chaplain's efforts to teach RE...

~ The main purpose of the prophets was to set up the lights for when Jesus came on the stage.

~ The Kingdom of God is no ordinary place like the bathroom at home.

~ Jesus said: If you want to divorce your wife leave a note for her on the table.

~ Jesus healed a man with a weathered hand.

~ Some of the seed from the sower was curried off by Satan.

~ The last verses of Mark's gospel were written later by a unanimous person.

~ Jesus first proclaimed the gospel to the Jews: He told them to make love to each other.

~ An altar is a stall for candles.

~ An example of Holy Orders are the Ten Commandments.

~ An epistle is the wife of an apostle.

What it says on the sign

At a towing company: "We don't charge an arm and a leg. We want your tows instead."

On a maternity room door: "Push. Push. Push."

At an optometrist's office: "If you don't see what you're looking for, you've come to the right place."

In a podiatrist's office: "Time wounds all heels."

On a house's fence: "Salespeople welcome! Dog food is expensive."

At a car dealership: "The best way to get back on your feet – miss a car payment."

Outside a muffler shop: "No appointment necessary. We hear you coming."

In a veterinarian's waiting room: "Be back in five minutes. Sit! Stay!"

At the electric company: "We would be de-lighted if you pay your bill. However, if you don't, you will be."

In a restaurant window: "Don't stand there and be hungry. Come on in and get fed up."

In the front yard of a funeral home: "Drive carefully. We're happy to wait."

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1 st	Lorna and John Spenser
2 nd	Jo Stratton, Sophie and Elspeth
3 rd	Ruth and Graham Sutton
4 th	Winnie Tawil
5 th	Helen and Dave Thomas
6 th	Esmé Thorpe
7 th	Joy Thorpe
8 th	Bronwen and Martyn Todd, Sarah and Lottie
9 th	Janet Turner
10 th	Joy Verral
11 th	Jo and Pete Warren
12 th	Gaynor Watkins
13 th	Emma and Gary Watt
14 th	Jo and John Williams
15 th	Lesley Williams
16 th	Di Wilson
17 th	Jane Woods-Scawen and John Thomas
18 th	Jon Atkinson
19 th	Ann Banning
20 th	Heather and John Barton
21 st	Louise Barton and Emileigh Warren
22 nd	Louise Broad
23 rd	Jane Bryan, Martha and Seth
24 th	Peter and Barbara Champion
25 th	Judy Clarkson and Sam
26 th	Betty and David Connelly
27 th	Vera and Andy Cooper
28 th	Gloria Cordery
29 th	Pat and Ian Cowan
30 th	Alison and Robert Crichton

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