



Welcome to all the CBC Fellowship.

Here is the CBC Newsletter/diary for May 2023. If you have any comments or contributions, feel free to contact me,

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“The moment they saw Him (Jesus), they worshipped Him. Some though, held back, not sure about worship, about risking themselves totally”. Matt. 28:17

This verse stood out to me as I read some of the bible text relating to Jesus’ resurrection and following the decision by Wiltshire Council to consent to CBC’s re-building plans. It has been some years since the church set off on a building project following the sale of the historic field in Calne. We have had to be patient but now with the go ahead, things might seem a bit scary as we contemplate such a big building project but God has brought us this far so let us not ‘hold back’ in our worship and trust in a mighty God who will supply all our needs according to his riches in Jesus Christ.

We are conscious that some of our church neighbours will be unhappy with the re-build proceeding and we will do our best to allay their fears, sharing the love of Christ with all.

Thanks are due to the 20/20 Vision committee – Richard, Imogen, Terry, Stan, Adrian and David, for their hard work - pray for them as the process begins with the plans. No doubt, there will be jobs for all as we move forward but the most important thing is to pray for God’s wisdom, guidance and protection.

Easter services at CBC reminded us again of the sacrifice of Christ and triumph over death. Thanks to Ros and Imogen for organising the Maundy Thursday meal and communion. On Good Friday we welcomed a good number of people from other Calne churches and on Easter Sunday, we freely worshipped the risen Christ. Eddie Larkman has led our worship during April with his wife, Kathy and pianists Nancy and Joan. His inspiring talks have given us much to ponder on and he has become a good friend of CBC.

The year is racing by even if the weather does not seem to be keeping up. On Sunday 7th May, following Charles’ coronation on the Saturday, we will be holding our annual **Community Lunch** from 12.00 – 4.00 pm with entertainment. Invitations have been delivered in the immediate area and all are welcome to join us so feel free to bring relations, friends, neighbours. There will be no morning service that day.

Gary Woodall will be with us on Sunday 21st May as we celebrate our **Church Anniversary**. There will be a shared lunch following the morning service.

The next Church Meeting on **Wednesday 24th May at 7.00 pm**, will also include Special AGMs to agree the 2022 accounts which had to be held over from the meetings in March. As this is an evening meeting, please let me know if you require a lift.

Messy Church at the Methodist church is going well. This is an ecumenical event held every second Sunday afternoon of the month, involving other Calne churches. It was lovely to see Emma and Poppy there recently. The next Messy Church will be on Sunday 14th May.

'The Living Room' following on from the 'Warm Space', began after the Easter break. Anyone and everyone are welcome to join us on Mondays any time between 10.30 am and 2.00 pm. A simple lunch is provided plus various activities, and if you require transport, Link is still providing this free of charge.

Coffee and Chat on Wednesday mornings is going well with increased numbers attending.

Answer to prayer – We are delighted that Lottie, Richard's granddaughter recently had successful heart surgery and is now home recovering well. Please continue to pray for her and the family.

Prayer Needs

Deacons, meeting on 9th May. With no Ministerial applications to date, what happens next? Todd Nightingale will be guiding us forward – with God's help!

20/20 Vision Group – Much to be done, pray for God's protection on the team.

For some of our church neighbours who are anxious about the church plans.

For those who are unable to worship with us on Sunday mornings for whatever reason.

For Luke and Therese as they prepare for their wedding on June 10th.

If you have a particular prayer need, please let me know. All prayer requests are treated confidentially.

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May Dates for your diary

Sunday 7th May – Community Lunch, 12.00 – 4.00 pm.

Sunday 21st May – Morning Worship

Sunday 9th July - Church Anniversary followed by shared lunch.

Wednesday 24th May, 7.00 pm – Church Meeting and Special AGMs.

Every Monday apart from Bank Holidays – 'The Living Room', 10.30 am – 2.00 pm

Every Wednesday - Coffee Morning, 10.30 – 12.00

Every 1st and 3rd Sunday – Evening Prayer times, 6.00 pm

Home Groups every Monday and Thursday evening

Speakers during May:

Jo Williams, Gary Woodall, Eddie Larkman.