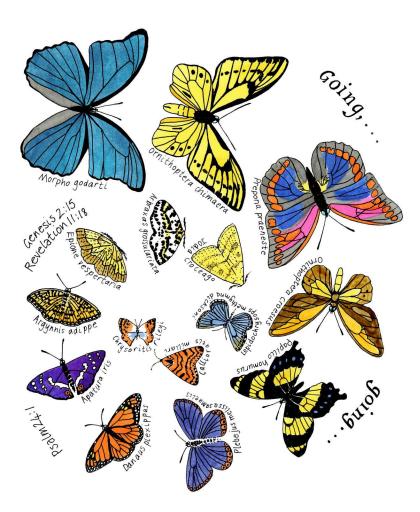


'Sharing God's love so that all may know Jesus'



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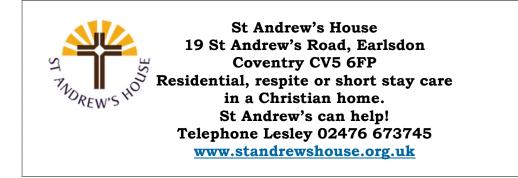
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Dear Friends

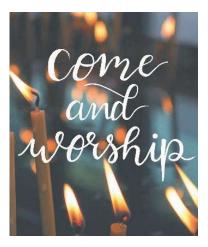
Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, "Never will I leave you, never will I forsake you." [Hebrews 13:5]

I'm currently reading an interesting book entitled *Sins of Fathers*. It's the life story of Michael Emmett, a notorious criminal who turns away from a life of crime to find Christ and completely turn his life around. It is a very interesting read and not quite as predictable as I supposed it would be. Without wanting to spoil the book completely for you, just in case you decide to read it, suffice to say that Michael's conversion isn't straightforward and includes many lapses back to his old ways.

What is clear from the book is that God, through the power of the Holy Spirit and the Ministry Team at Holy Trinity Brompton Church never give up on Michael following his acceptance of Christ into his life during an Alpha course in prison.

I, for one, am truly grateful that there is always a way back to God no matter how far and how often we stray from His love.

As I reflect on the past year, I think that maybe we could have felt that, by not being able to gather in church, God was far away from us. Of course, the opposite was true: that in these difficult times God was very close indeed. Although we as Church have been physically apart, I feel that the Holy Spirit has joined us together and given us the strength we've needed through this pandemic.



Pete

As we begin to open our church buildings once more, I look forward to seeing you and sharing worship in person once again. Please check with your Elder when and where the worship will be as we will alternate between West Orchard and Warwick Road during Yvonne's sabbatical.

I pray that God continues to shine His presence on both our congregations as we emerge into the post-pandemic world.

Best wishes and every blessing





West Orchard pastoral news

We are pleased to bring the news that the coffee morning was shared in the church in May and this has prepared us for a joyful Pentecost.

Unfortunately, Pauline Luckett had an accident recently and has fractured her collarbone. She is still in a lot of pain and finding things hard. Fortunately, weather permitting, she can walk to church.

Our friend Barbara (Betty's neighbour) is now settled in a care home.

Lesley's step-daughter Claire is undergoing tests and treatment in hospital and we keep her in our prayers.

We continue to pray for John and Anne as John is spending some time in respite care in St Andrew's.

Sadly, we record the death of Jessie Smith who almost reached her 100th birthday. Jessie was made a member in 1994 and remained cheerful and alert to the end of her active life. Because of her failing sight Jessie spent her last few months in St Andrew's.

We are constantly reminded of the good work that St Andrew's does for our elderly members. Please pray for all the residents and staff.

Rose Tomlinson

Poetry Café

Poetry Café meets on the first Thursday of each month. During the Covid-19 outbreak, we have been meeting online via Zoom, at 2pm. We each share two or three poems – these are usually on a set theme but don't have to be!



The next meetings are:

Thursday, 3 June, Theme: 'Transitions'



Thursday, 1 July, Theme: 'Holidays'

All are welcome. To join in the next Zoom session or for more information, please contact Craig Muir: <u>ministercoventryneurc@gmail.com</u>.

Warwick Road and West Orchard - a combined fellowship

Since Lockdown began in March last year, our Elders and Trustees from West Orchard and Warwick Road have met every week to work on plans for the future of our churches.



We have been blessed with two ministers who have worked together to prepare and deliver services every week for the two churches in their care.

Now, after 14 months of closure, we are in a position to open up our churches once again. This involves much preparation to deep clean and put plans in place to make it safe for us to return to live worship.

To lessen the workload on our ministers, we realise it would be expedient to continue with shared services, rather than individual ones. At the same time, there has been much collaboration between the Elders and Trustees of both churches, to the effect that we are realising the enrichment of combining our congregations for worship.

We would urge and encourage you to support the forthcoming joint services which have been planned and come and join in the live services, if at all possible. Warwick Road and West Orchard have always been welcoming churches, seeking to befriend any visitors who might enter our doors. In the past, we have forged friendships with the members of other Coventry URCs who have shared our ministers' pastorate.

Let us be prepared to leave the comfort of our armchairs at home and set out to restore the fellowship we always enjoyed together. We are planning to use alternate venues in the foreseeable future, and hopefully we will soon begin to feel "at home" in either church building.

Pauline Luckett and Rita Dalton

Services from the URC

Those who subscribe to the URC daily devotions will know they also produce weekly services. Some get these services on a CD in the white envelopes.

The services for the month of June have a Coventry bias. On 6 June the service is led by Kirsty Anne Mabbot, the Coventry Church Related Community Worker, who did a lot of work out of St Columba's URC and with the Night Shelter. The 20 June service is led by Wayne Hawkins. Wayne worked for the World Council of Churches and the Hawkins family were members at West Orchard URC until Wayne recently answered a call to become the minister at Guildford URC.

These services can be found at: https://devotions.urc.org.uk/.



Letter from the United Reformed Church Finance Committee

To: All members and adherents of United Reformed Churches and our Local Ecumenical Partnerships

At denominational level, we feared that individual churches' financial troubles would spell disaster for the URC's Ministry and Mission ('M&M') fund through which the URC has always supported and developed our stipendiary ministers and Church Related Community Workers. It would have been all too easy for congregations to forget that for almost 49 years this fund (under various names) has provided stipends, pension contributions and training for all ministers throughout the three nations in which the URC operates: so that ministry reaches where synods judge it to be most needed and is paid for according to each congregation's ability to contribute (though the ways of determining that vary from synod to synod). It was all very well to remind ourselves that the M&M fund is meant to be the first call on every congregation's resources if the undertaking to financially support our ministers is to be honoured. We feared that drastically reduced income would make that impossible and that, because the need was less visible than the other calls on your diminished resources, payments to the M&M fund would have stopped first.

It quickly became apparent that, although some congregations had to reduce their pledged giving to the M&M fund, many more of you were continuing to meet the 2020 commitments you had made during better times, despite the struggles that required. At the start of that year we had been expecting churches and synods to contribute around £18.5 million to the fund. By the year end, all but half-a-million pounds of that had been received. Since Church House staff and committees managed to reduce their budgeted expenditure by almost £1 million, your money enabled us to meet the full costs of our Ministries, Education & Learning, Children's and Youth Work and Mission departments in 2020 as well as covering amounts spent on safeguarding, denominational governance and communications. What is perhaps even more amazing is that, collectively, you have pledged to give £17.3 million during 2021 despite the financial problems caused by the pandemic being fully apparent well before your offers for this year were made.

We are always grateful for the financial support given each year to the M&M fund by all of you; but this past year has been phenomenal.

Thank you to those of you who have been able to maintain or increase financial support for your church congregation through this difficult time. That has enabled those responsible for your congregation's finances to keep more money flowing to the M&M fund than we expected.

If you have any questions or comments arising from this letter, please speak to your Church Treasurer who has been provided with more detailed information. If they are not able to help directly then they can get in touch with the finance team at Church House.

Yours in Christ,

Ian Hardie (Treasurer) and John Piper (Deputy Treasurer) on behalf of the whole United Reformed Church Finance Committee

An update from Traidcraft



I have just received the annual report from Traidcraft for 2020/21. It focuses on the "difference you made" by supporting Traidcraft last year. Here are some of the highlights:

- There are currently Traidcraft projects helping communities in eight countries

 Senegal, Kenya, Namibia, Tanzania, Pakistan, India, Nepal and
 Bangladesh.
- These projects directly benefit approximately 320,000 people.
- Over 50% of the people taking part in the projects are women who are supporting their families.
- In Namibia, one of the projects involves producing environmentally sustainable charcoal which is sold in the UK through 4,000 Co-op stores.
- In Tanzania, people with disabilities have received training on making soap and detergent. This has provided a vital service to the community because of the increased demand for soap during the pandemic.
- In India, local communities have been supported to set up seed banks to preserve and share seeds, enabling communities to be self-reliant.

Support for Traidcraft has been invaluable during the past 12 months as communities have faced the reality of Coronavirus pushing people back into poverty. Let's hope it is not too long before we can re-start selling our Traidcraft products at the back of the church and continue to support their valuable work.

Sue Davis



Warwick Road Church Centre activities and Meal Delivery Service – June update

The end is nigh... or is it?

We are busy preparing for the first church service at Warwick Road for well over a year, on Sunday 30 May. The organ has been cleaned and the wiring should be repaired in time. Unlike the professional operation at West Orchard, we are planning

something more low-tech, which may or may not be broadcast live. The cleaners have been busy dusting and vacuuming, so everything should be as safe and attractive as possible. The choir will no doubt be ready to do their bit as well, so we look forward to welcoming as many as possible, especially our friends from West Orchard.

Separately, we are preparing the Church Centre for a return to 'normal business', albeit on a gradual basis. There have been enquiries about room lettings, though we have to be mindful of on-going social distancing rules. Alice and Ann have made provisional plans to restart the reading group in the latter part of June and this will be a model for other activities to recommence. I hope to run Film Club in July - more news of that next month.

The café is clearly one of the most important functions of the Centre. Social isolation has been one of the most challenging aspects of lockdown and no doubt many of you are desperate to get back for a good chin-wag. The latest relaxation of rules mean that we can open to serve meals indoors. However, from now until mid-June this will be for a small invited group only and we'll be using the main room rather than the café. For the last two Tuesdays in June, Clare will offer a breakfast menu and she will continue with hot meals on Fridays, for an increased number of customers. From July the delivery service will probably cease, with a return to a more normal menu on Tuesday and Friday, which may expand to the usual four-day operation in August. Of course, all of this is subject to the rules and restrictions at the time.

Ann's jam, marmalade and chutney venture has been so successful that she has run out of several products, though there is one addition: Prune & Raisin Conserve (small jar) at £1.50. Allegedly it tastes delicious! Ann eagerly awaits the new fruit season when production can recommence. If anyone has any spare rhubarb, then she would make good use of it! Contact her on 024 7627 3131.

Pear & Ginger Jam – 1 only (£2.20), Prune & Raisin Conserve (small) (£1.50), Original Marmalade (£1.40), Marmalade with Ginger (£1.70), Spicy Carrot & Apple Chutney (small) (£0.80)

Menu for June 2021

	Mains	Desserts
Friday 4	Hunter's chicken, green beans and	Apple crumble and custard
June	potatoes	Treacle tart and custard
	Sausage and tomato hotpot	
Friday 11	Beef bourguignon and potatoes	Chocolate & black cherry sponge
June	Salmon quiche, new potatoes and	Sticky toffee sponge and custard
	peas	
Friday 18	Lancashire hotpot	Jam & coconut sponge and
June	Cheese & bacon filled potato skins	custard
	and cauliflower cheese	Peach cobbler and cream
Friday 25	Chicken casserole	Bread pudding and custard
June	Sweet & sour pork and savoury	Raspberry & white chocolate
	rice	sponge

Keith Greenall, Church Centre Manager

Gardening really is good for you

According to a recent study conducted by the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) and two universities, people who garden every day have well-being scores 6.6 per cent higher, and stress levels 4.2 per cent lower, than those who do not garden at all.

Dr Lauriane Chalmin-Pui, RHS well-being fellow and lead author says, "The evidence overwhelmingly suggests that the more frequently you garden, the greater the health benefits. In fact, gardening every day has the same positive impact on your well-being as undertaking regular, vigorous exercise like cycling or running. Gardening is like effortless exercise: it doesn't feel as strenuous as going to the gym, but we can expend similar amounts of energy."

From Parish Pump



Home alone, wanting a gnome

Do you yearn for a garden gnome? You are not the only one.

Since last year's lockdown, garden centres have been reporting a 'massive upswing' in ornament sales, due to people being forced to spend more time in their gardens. Gnomes top the list of most-wanted ornaments, with a near 100 per cent increase in sales over the past two years.

There was even a gnome crisis a while back, when the Suez Canal got jammed and thousands of gnomes on their way to UK gardens could not get through.

From Parish Pump

Eco Church - No Mow May (Part 2)

I hope some of you have enjoyed participating in No Mow May. I know Jerry has enjoyed leaving the mower alone in the garage.

Scientist have found that 80% of lawns taking part in No Mow May supported the equivalent of around 400 bees a day from the nectar sugar produced by flowers such as dandelion, white clover and selfheal. The more surprising result found was that the highest production of flowers and nectar sugar was on lawns cut once every four weeks. This gives 'short-grass' plants like daisies and white clover a chance to flower in profusion, boosting nectar production tenfold.

So, the recommendation for the summer is to keep the grass shorter by mowing once every month to a height of 1 or 2 inches. You'll cut off some flowers when you do mow but they'll come back quickly.

Next, from 23 May to 31 May, take part in 'Every Flower Counts' by counting the number of flowers in a random square metre of your lawn. By entering your counts on the website you will instantly receive your very own Personal Nectar Score, showing how much nectar is being produced by the flowers on your lawn and how many bees it can support. The details of what to do and an easy-to-use plant identification guide are available – see: www.plantlife.org.uk/everyflowercounts.

The survey is to be repeated from 11 - 19 July and they would love you to count your flowers again. In this way, you can include flowers that might not have been out earlier in the season, like selfheal and white clover, and compare your nectar score. Please do take part even if your lawn flowers are wilting! Plantlife wants to build up a picture of how weather and climate change impact flower and nectar production so your surveys provide essential data.

Recycling news: Register with <u>https://www.gillette.co.uk/recycle.list</u> to get a free envelope that can be used to return used razor blades for recycling.

Superdrug in Market Way, Coventry and The Parade, Learnington Spa now recycles empty medicine blister packets.

Jenny Barnes



A walk in the park

What do you do when it seems there is nothing much you can do outside home, other than tend the garden (if you have one)? Of course, you need to understand and follow the Covid-19 rules to keep us safe and healthy.



I greatly value the exercise time outdoors, especially as I live near Allesley Park.

One day when I entered the park, I was surprised to meet a friend of mine, Jean, who lives in Allesley Village. We knew each other from the Warwick Road Church Reading Group but had never met in the park before, so we decided to take our daily walk together.

As we chatted, we realised that we had both started having a daily walk since March 2020, I with my daughter Gill, when she finished work, and Jean likewise was encouraged by her daughter to do the same. Jean said that she coped with the lockdown by doing a bit of gardening - she wasn't keen on the TV, but she did enjoy knitting.

In the early days Jean said that she had been chatting with her daughter Clare about the long days alone and Clare had suggested that she might like to have a walk in the vicinity where she lived. With that encouragement, Jean initially chose the Coundon Wedge and then suddenly thought of Allesley Park which was nearer.

Her first reaction was - she loved it! Jean explained that she took 15 minutes to walk from her home to cross the bridge to get to Allesley Park. She set out at 7.15 am and as she crossed the bridge, the park land opened up on the right, the golf course on the left and clear sky above. Jean was surprised to see so many dog walkers out and about, and also joggers. There was no lack of social space!

Jean then started walking frequently as she enjoyed it so much and even began recognising "regulars" - with their dogs - and enjoyed the frequent friendly exchanges of "Good morning" which made her feel not alone. Jean admitted that she even started carrying titbits in her pocket for her favourite dogs

In conclusion, Jean told me that even though Covid-19 is terrible, it brought about change for her life for the better. The "early to bed and early to rise" routine sets her up for the day and seems to energise her. She is also grateful to have a good daughter and family who encourage her to keep safe and enjoy!

PS Jean has met one particular friend in the park called Rose, another early bird. And they continue on as friends to this day.

Dorothy MacDonald

NEWS IN BRIEF FROM AROUND THE UK AND BEYOND

The Church of England is reviewing its structure and introducing more middle management roles by advertising jobs such as a 'vision programme manager', a 'justice, peace and integrity of creation office co-ordinator', a 'growth officer' and CEO for the new Archbishop of York at £90,000 pa salary. These posts have caused upset with clergy and also parishioners who have no priest or vicar. A suggestion has been made that as magistrates have recently had their retirement age moved to 75 years, the same should apply to clerics. However, this extension for the judiciary was due to the large backlog of cases awaiting trial that had been held up due to the pandemic.

An operation in Israel at the Dead Sea to deter archaeological thieves has had success. After thieves were caught with a metal detector, 80km (50 miles) of cliff-face and over 500 caves were re-examined resulting in several archaeological digs. Amongst the many artefacts found were a new scroll in its original resting place, a 10,500 year old woven reed basket under a metre of earth and a child's body that has been carbon-dated to 6,000 years ago.

A \$50m UNESCO project, with collaboration with the Iraqi government and the UAE, aims to restore the 12th century al-Nuri Mosque that was blown up by Isis in the last stages of the battle for control of Mosul, Iraq, in 2017. Other buildings include Syriac Catholic al-Tahera church and the Latin al-Saa'a church. The International Alliance



for the Protection of Heritage in Conflict Areas is also working in Mosul in collaboration with the Louvre, the Smithsonian Institution and the World Monuments Fund to restore damage.

The Archbishop Job of Telmessos has issued a call to celebrate Easter 2025. However, the Orthodox Church uses the Gregorian Calendar whereas we use the Julian Calendar. This year, for example, we celebrated Easter on 4 April and the Orthodox Church on 2 May. But in 2025 both calendars celebrate Easter on 20 April. As 2025 is also the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea, which determined that Easter is the first Sunday after the full moon after the spring equinox, the Archbishop thought this was a good occasion to bring the two calendars together. The Archbishop represents his Church on the World Council of Churches.

In 1822 the construction of Esztergom Catholic Cathedral commenced becoming Hungary's largest church. In 1845 the Archbishop Jozef Kopacsy put in the cross a copper canister of documents, which have recently been discovered during renovation, showing a memory of the builders and of that era. The cathedral or basilica was not consecrated until 1856. The original church was built 1001-1010 and the basilica was built on this site. The cause of the fire at Notre Dame, Paris, has still to be determined. So far €165m has been spent only for securing the site. The base of the 96-metre tower has had to be secured by layers of white plaster. To stop the vaults crumbling 60+ beams have to be placed over them but as each vault is different the beams have to be scanned for a perfect fit before being lifted into place by an 80-metre tall crane. Each beam is 10 metres in length and weighs more than a tonne. Only then can a plastic roof be installed and restoration commence. At the moment no-one may enter without the wearing of protective equipment or leave without having a shower mainly due to the high levels of lead dust in the cathedral. It was estimated that over 460 tonnes of lead went up in smoke and then descended as toxic dust.



David is described in the Hebrew Bible as King of the United Monarchy of Israel and Judah. In the Books of Samuel, David is a young shepherd who gains fame first as a musician and later by killing the giant Goliath, champion of the Philistines. A replica of Michelangelo's famous marble statue of David has been made for the Italian Pavilion in the Expo 2020 exhibition in Dubai in October 2021; however, this replica weighs 0.4 tonnes compared with the 5 tonnes of the original. This is due to laser scanning of 14 sections of the 17ft tall original. Once finished the replica was given a 2mm coating of marble dust and glue to match the feel of

Michelangelo's original, adding marks to match tiny cracks and stains. It is said Michelangelo had to feel (measure) the statue with his hands as it was so big. The proof is the belly button is the size of a thumb.

Barry Stelfox

A poem for children - The Pillar Box

Dorothy Macdonald has sent in this little poem, which she thought children might enjoy:

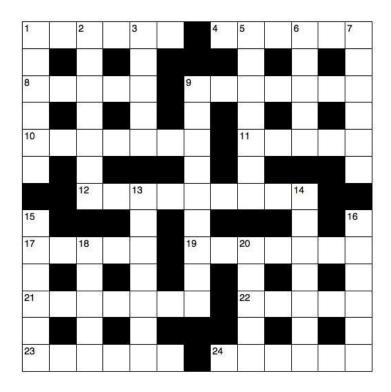


The pillar box is fat and red, Its mouth is open wide. It wears a tammy on its head -It must be dark inside.

And when we are out shopping, My mother lets me stop And post the letters, one by one. I like to hear them plop!

Author unknown

Puzzle Pages



Across

Down

1 Military tactic used by Joshua to attack and destroy the city of Ai (Joshua 8:2) (6)

4 Place of learning (6)

8 'When Moses' hands grew — , they took a stone and put it under him and he sat on it' (Exodus 17:12) (5)

9 Unpleasant auguries of the end of the age, as forecast by Jesus (Matthew 24:7) (7)

10 Stronghold to which girls in King Xerxes' harem (including Esther) were taken (Esther 2:8) (7)

11 Where Saul went to consult a medium before fighting the Philistines (1 Samuel 28:7) (5)

12 Propitiation (Hebrews 2:17) (9)

17 Turn away (Jeremiah 11:15) (5)

19 So clear (anag.) (7)

21 'I have just got — , so I can't come': one excuse to be absent from the great banquet (Luke 14:20) (7)

22 Long weapon with a pointed head used by horsemen (Job 39:23) (5)

23 Musical beat (6)

24 What the Israelites were told to use to daub blood on their door-frames at the first Passover (Exodus 12:22) (6) 1 Fasten (Exodus 28:37) (6)

2 Art bite (anag.) (7)

3 'The people of the city were divided; some — with the Jews, others with the apostles' (Acts 14:4) (5)

5 Contend (Jeremiah 12:5) (7)

6 Possessed (Job 1:3) (5)

7 Sheen (Lamentations 4:1) (6)

9 'You love evil rather than good, — rather than speaking the truth' (Psalm 52:3) (9)

13 Large flightless bird (Job 39:13) (7)

14 They were worth several hundred pounds each (Matthew 25:15) (7)

15 'A — went out to sow his seed' (Matthew 13:3) (6)

16 How Jesus described Jairus's daughter when he went into the room where she lay (Mark 5:39) (6)

18 The part of the day when the women went to the tomb on the first Easter morning (John 20:1) (5)

20 Narrow passageway between buildings (Luke 14:21) (5)

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WORDSEARCH

St Alban - the first British martyr

Persecution of Christians worldwide is rising fast, so it is worth remembering St Alban, the first British martyr. Alban was a Roman citizen living in England when the Roman emperor, Diocletian, began a fierce persecution. Soon Alban found a desperate priest on his doorstep, hunted by local soldiers. Alban gave the priest shelter, and within days was converted. When the soldiers arrived, Alban took the priest's place, refused to offer sacrifice to the Roman gods, and was condemned to death. Alban went to his execution on 22 June 250AD with such serenity that one of the executioners was converted. He died on the site of the Hertfordshire town that now bears his name.

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Smiles

Most older people never get enough exercise. In His wisdom, God decreed that seniors become forgetful so they would have to search for

their glasses, keys, and other things, thus doing more walking. And God looked down and saw that it was good.

Then God saw there was another need. In His wisdom, He made seniors lose coordination so they would drop things, requiring them to bend, reach, and stretch. And God looked down and saw that it was good.

Then God considered the function of bladders and decided seniors would have additional calls of nature, requiring more trips to the bathroom, thus providing more exercise. God looked down and saw that it was good.

So if you find, as you age, you are getting up and down more, remember it's God's will. It is all in your best interest even though you mutter under your breath.

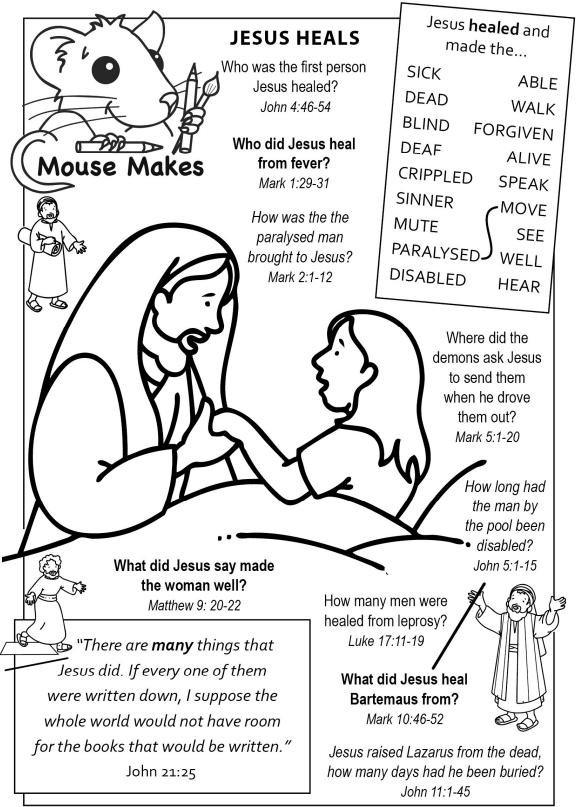
Nine Important Facts to Remember as We Grow Older:

- 1. Death is the number 1 killer in the world.
- 2. Life is sexually transmitted.
- 3. Good health is merely the slowest possible rate at which one can die.
- 4. Men have two motivations: hunger and hanky-panky, and they can't tell them apart. If you see a gleam in his eyes, make him a sandwich.
- 5. Give a person a fish and you feed them for a day. Teach a person to use the Internet and they won't bother you for weeks, months, maybe years.
- 6. Health nuts are going to feel stupid someday, lying in the hospital, dying of nothing.
- 7. All of us could take a lesson from the weather. It pays no attention to criticism.
- 8. In the 60s, people took LSD to make the world weird. Now the world is weird, and people take Prozac to make it normal.
- 9. Life is like a jar of jalapeno peppers what you do today may be a burning issue tomorrow.

Please share this wisdom with others; I need to go to the bathroom!

Submitted by Barry Stelfox





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SOLUTION - SUDUKO (EASY)

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CROSSWORD SOLUTION

ACROSS: 1 Ambush. 4 School. 8 Tired. 9 Famines. 10 Citadel. 11 Endor. 12 Atonement. 17 Avert. 19 Oracles. 21 Married. 22 Lance. 23 Rhythm. 24 Hyssop.

DOWN: 1, Attach. 2 Biretta. 3 Sided. 5 Compete. 6 Owned. 7 Lustre. 9 Falsehood. 13 Ostrich. 14 Talents. 15 Farmer. 16 Asleep. 18 Early. 20 Alley.

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WELCOME BACK TO WORSHIP

Spring is a new beginning in the year Join us for a new beginning of worship



Sunday 30 May 2021 at 11.00 am Warwick Road URC Worship led by Reverend Peter Kimberley

Some Covid restrictions will still apply but no need for advance booking