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Connections

The church magazine for Baginton Road URC



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Appreciation

Thank you to the Tuesday and Thursday Beavers for decorating the notice boards for the King's Coronation.

Sue Davis



Dear Friends

It is lovely to be asked to write to you this month. Some of you will know me, but many of you may not. My name is Kirsty and I am the Church Related Community Work (CRCW) minister here in Coventry. My main church is Ansty Road, but for about a year I have been coming to your Elders' Meetings and in June I will be preaching for the first time at Baginton Road. I am looking forward to sharing worship with you most months for the rest of the year.



At the Elders' Meeting this month a number of decisions were made and I offered to share them with you here:

- The first is that from June, Communion will return to being served to you in your seats as we used to share it before Covid changed many of our practices. If you have any concerns about this, please do speak to your Elder about it and they, with the whole Eldership, will look at what we can do to ensure your inclusion.
- The second item is to let you know that the offertory will be staying the same as it is currently. You will find the offertory plates at the back of the Sanctuary as you come into worship.
- Finally, the Eldership are looking for a group of enthusiastic folk to be involved in the investigation of appointing a pastor. The purpose of this group will be to look at what you think a pastor is needed for, to develop their role/job description and person specification etc. You will also need to look at how you prepare information about Baginton Road URC. This group is crucial to developing this position so that the right person is called to the role of pastor at Baginton Road.

I am sitting in my study as I write this and through my window it looks overcast, but the rooms of the manse are warm and it feels like winter may actually have left. Things feel hopeful because there is new life around me and during this Pentecost season it is exciting to imagine what will happen if we really welcome in the Holy Spirit, in our lives and in the church. In April there was an amazing Mission Day and there will be redevelopment in the Sanctuary.

Things are exciting but only if we trust God, follow Jesus and allow the Holy Spirit to work in our lives. So I encourage you to let the Spirit breathe into your life with new energy and vision and be ready for the incredible changes you will see in this worshipping community.

Blessings

Kirsty-Ann Mabbott

Notes from Elders' Meetings - May 2023

- Coronation memorabilia has been well received.
- Discussion took place on the possible appointment of an Assistant Church Treasurer and Church Secretary, the Duty Rota for Elders and associated problems due to there being a small number of Elders fulfilling these duties. Further discussion will take place at the June Elders' Meeting regarding how BR URC should view the Eldership and how they may constitutionally work together with the Trustees.
- Elders discussed Steve Elton's support role, agenda-less worship and inter-church relationships, and agreed his support should continue into the third phase as outlined by SE.
- Alpha Course, or similar, is being considered for September 2023.
- PK has written a Mission and Outreach Worker job description which he will share with his steering group, suggesting how he could move the role forward. Further discussion on this will take place at the June Elders' Meeting.
- It was agreed to revert to Elders serving the elements at Holy Communion; however, the offertory plate will remain at the back of the Sanctuary.
- P&M are pursuing quotes for replacement boilers.
- Redevelopment group are reviewing a slimmed-down plan to redevelop the Apse area.
- A group is to be set up to develop a job description for a pastor.
- PK has received a request from JR to join membership of BR URC.
- AGM Wednesday, 19 July will include a Bring and Share Supper.



Pauline Luckett, Church Secretary

Poetry Café

Poetry Café meets each month in the Open Doors Café, Warwick Road Centre at 2.30pm. Meetings are normally on the first Thursday of each month but this is sometimes changed so please check beforehand with Warwick Road Centre Office: 024 7622 0299.

We each share two or three poems – these are usually on a set theme but don't have to be! All are welcome.



The next meetings are:
Thursday, 1 June, Theme: 'Churches'
Thursday, 6 July, Theme: 'Water'



For more information, please contact David Lathbury: david@dlathbury.co.uk.

The Church on the Hill

A short story to make us think

The Reverend Paul was at his wits' end; he was trying to keep four churches afloat, with an average of ten members in each. What was he to do? Each of the church buildings was built for much larger congregations – the smallest could seat 400 or more, and the largest over 600.



The oldest church, the one that could seat over 600, was built in 1720, when most people were employed on the farms owned by the local squire, and woe betide anyone who didn't attend the squire's church every Sunday.

How things have changed! The local football club held most of its matches on Sundays. It ran the club for all ages from six upwards, for boys, girls, men and women. It was not only football - the local pub hosted darts matches, snooker matches, dominoes and many more attractions, all on Sundays. Not only that, the locally-brewed real ale was a big attraction.

"Enough of these negative ramblings", thought Paul. "I've four churches, the oldest over 300 years old and the youngest nearly 300 years old, all with dry rot, leaking roofs, crumbling walls and frozen pipes in the winter, I'll arrange a meeting for members of the four churches, and anyone else who may be interested, to discuss what can be done."

In due course a meeting was arranged, and Paul suggested that three of the churches be sold and form a combined fellowship.

Paul had expected that this would not be an easy meeting to chair, but he had not expected everyone to be so volatile in wanting everything as they wished and leaving no room for compromise. Each church congregation said that the others could join their church, but no way were they leaving their church building.

In the end, the meeting ended with no decision. Paul said that if nothing was agreed soon then he would be leaving for another larger church, many miles away, which was looking for a new minister and he had been asked to consider it. Paul said he had no wish to move, but things could not continue as they were for much longer.

It is said that God moves in mysterious ways – and so it proved to be. While Paul was eating his breakfast the next morning the post arrived, and on top of the pile was a brown envelope. It was from the County Council, offering to buy the four church buildings and the land they owned, if permission was forthcoming from the church authorities. If the sale was agreed, a site was available at the top of a nearby hill, within easy reach of the four church congregations, with plenty of room for a

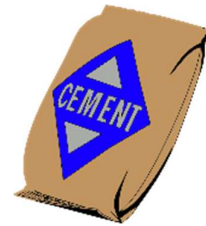
church building, a church hall and other rooms, as well as a large area suitable for a car park and other activities.

At that moment Paul's phone rang: it was the church authorities who had received a similar letter to the one received by Paul. They asked Paul to call another meeting for the churches to consider the offer. This time the congregations had no option but to accept the County Council's offer to buy the four churches. The Council's offer was only accepted with the slimmest of majorities, but at least things could now move forward.

In the meantime, the four churches continued to meet in their own church buildings. A committee was formed representing the churches and the County Council to sort out the legalities and produce plans for the new church. It took a number of meetings but in the end a set of plans was agreed and building work on the new church could go ahead.

Everything seemed to be going to plan; the foundations were completed – but it was then that the trouble started. For some reason the cement being used to hold the bricks together was not setting and the bricks just fell apart. Paul phoned the cement suppliers at once to explain the problem. "We'll send our cement expert, Fred Loveall, he should be able to sort out the problem", they said.

Early the next morning, Fred arrived carrying a carton of powder. "Put a scoop full of this powder in each mixing of the cement and I don't think you'll have any more trouble", he said, "I'll come back next week to see how you are getting on." With that Fred went on his way. Sure enough, a scoop full of the powder and the cement worked like magic – in fact it was the best cement anyone had ever worked with.



A week later Fred came back to see how the work was progressing. "It's amazing, that powder worked superbly, can we get some more if we need it?" asked Paul.

Fred smiled. "The powder is called love. You can't build anything worthwhile without love, especially not a church – and I don't mean just the building, I mean the people who form the church and use the building. The building is just the hub from which all activities and love radiate outwards. So spread the love power all over the place, wherever you go, put some in the tea and coffee, put some in the beer in the pub. You can't use too much of it and it'll never run out." With those words Fred said goodbye, and Paul never saw him again.

Up until this point in time there had been very little co-operation between the members of the four churches: they had been too inward-looking, thinking their little group were the only people who had 'the true faith' and all other views were wrong. Now that Paul knew what the carton of powder was, he started spreading it around

everywhere he went; the difference it made was like a miracle, everyone started co-operating and working together.

In due course, the church on the hill and all the other buildings were completed; it soon became the focus for many of the people from all the villages round about. With the church being on the top of the hill, it could be seen for miles around and became the hub from which service to the community radiated in every direction – all because love was now being spread around.

We all have a symbolic carton of love. Some people spread it around wherever they go – but some of us, maybe all of us, forget to take it off the shelf from time to time so it never gets spread around. Without love, people are inward-looking, thinking that their beliefs and way of life are all that matters – as long as they are all right, then everyone else must look after themselves.

At times all religions can be inward-looking, thinking theirs is the only 'true faith'. It is only with love, universal love, that people of different religions, or none, start looking outward. They see that their beliefs are only one of the many pathways, religious or secular, by which people try to reach an understanding of what life is all about.

Both science and religion have made great strides forward in understanding in recent years but like all discoveries, they can be used for good or evil – love is the 'cement' that brings all that is good about science and religion together and to give us hope for the future of our planet.

Not only do we need to show love to our fellow human beings, but to all of creation, from the indiscriminate way we use factory farming to produce cheap food, to the wholesale destruction of the rain forests, to name but a few. Have we left things too late? By showing 'universal love' to all things there is still hope. Faith, Hope and Love – and the greatest of these is Love.

George Drake

Open Garden Afternoon - Sunday 25 June 2023



Pam and John Dawson are holding an open garden with teas and cake on Sunday 25 June from 2pm – 5pm at 25 Watercall Avenue, in aid of Blind Children UK / Guide Dogs for the Blind.

There will be a Bring and Buy Stall and the garden railway will be running – subject to no strikes, leaves on the line or the wrong kind of snow!

We look forward to seeing you.

Pam and John

The Problem with our Rubbish

Our attention has been drawn over the last few years to the increasing problem of the safe disposal of our rubbish. Recycling has become the norm and reducing the use of plastic is now the focus of many manufacturers.



We all abhor fly-tipping, but it seems to me there are many in our society who casually throw their used drinks cans or bottles out of the car window and care nothing of the impact on the environment. Councils have had to cut back on their spending, so it is now left to the ones who care to volunteer their time to go out and pick it up.

We are fortunate to have an excellent waste disposal system, with regular collections from our homes. It was not always so, and is not affordable in poorer countries across the world today.

Tearfund, a Christian charity, is running a “Rubbish Campaign” designed to draw attention to this dilemma, which is closely tied in with their work to end extreme poverty. They say that “two billion people around the world have no access to waste collections, meaning they have no choice but to burn or dump their single-use plastics. This contributes to severe health problems like cancer or respiratory diseases caused by pollution”.

From May 6 – 21 there has been an exhibition in the ruins of Coventry’s old cathedral displaying photographs of the amount of waste in the atmosphere around our planet, and further out into space.

We use our mobile phones without a thought, and watch TV weather forecasts and such like, but do we realise the amount of rubbish which is left hurtling around the globe, when satellites cease to function? The photographs in the exhibition could well have been taken in a junk yard. But no, they represented just a fraction of the refuse we have created.

Rita Dalton

Earlsdon Methodist Church centenary

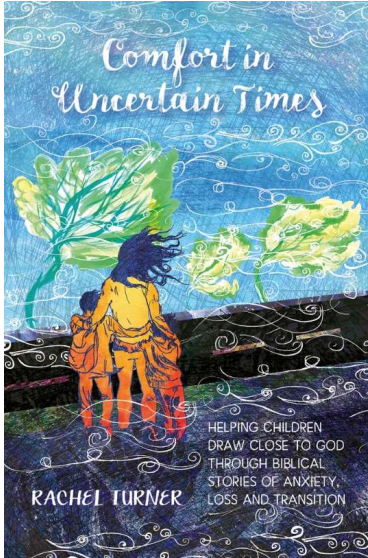
Earlsdon Methodist Church has been celebrating its centenary this year with a number of activities, including a special service. It has also unveiled a new mural depicting the Methodist cross with the four seasons, that was commissioned by local artist Katie O.



Book Reviews

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.

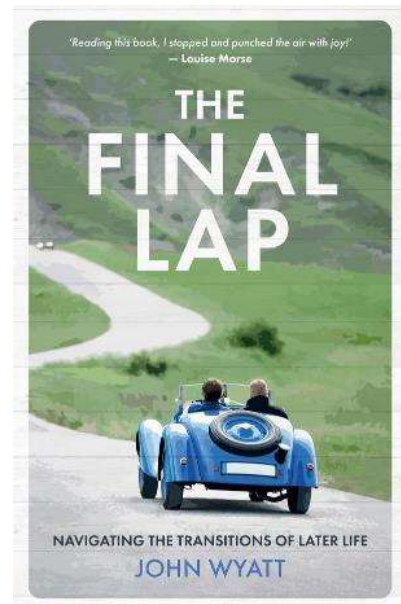
The Final Lap – navigating the transitions of later life

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.



from Parish Pump

NEWS IN BRIEF FROM THE UK

The Book of Common Prayer is changed on every Coronation but this year's version had the typo "Charles III is still King of France". It has been re-printed. But this is not the worst error: the Book of Kells has *gaudium* (delight) for *gladium* (sword) in Matthew's Gospel. A 1562 Bible has "blessed are the placemakers and Christ "condemning" rather than "commending" the poor widow. However, the so-called Wicked Bible of 1631 missed out an important "no" in the Seventh Commandment, thus making adultery obligatory. The Australian 2011 Missal did offer prayers in time of "draught".

For the first time in the Church of England's history, more than a quarter of their churches no longer hold a service every Sunday and attendance is down 20% from that in pre-Covid times. Further detailed research reveals that in some areas a single priest is in charge of up to 20 churches, while the reasons for fall in services are "personal exhaustion, reduced volunteer energy, the added online dimension, damaged church finances and disrupted church communities". Adding in those churches that still hold an online service, attendance in 2022 was up to 89% of 2019 levels. It should be noted that Church of England law was changed in 2019 to remove the legal requirement for churches to host a service every Sunday. About 70% of its annual income comes from the parishes, and 30% from an investment portfolio worth billions - see savetheparish.com.

The Church of Scotland has already closed a number of churches under a "prune for growth" strategy, which has been said to have led to it losing a third of its membership who refused to go elsewhere. One vicar feels that the Kirk in Scotland is 'walking away from the poor': see also savetheparish.com.



A plastic-free poppy will be released for this year's Remembrance Day. Scientists from University College London have taken about three years to develop it, with about 50% of its material coming from used coffee cups.

The Diocese of Coventry is to employ an evangelist on a salary of £50,000 p.a. who is "not expected to work on weekends".

Britain's two Liberal Jewish groups have agreed to merge into a new body called Progressive Judaism, after more than 80 years as separate denominations. Liberal Judaism was founded in 1902 and the Movement for Reform Judaism, which began life as Associated British Synagogues in 1942, accounts for more than a quarter of UK worshippers.

Rewilding is certainly the word being used by many, including the Church of England with its Eco-Church scheme that encourages congregations to make use of the 20,000 acres of church grounds and churchyards. Bat boxes, bug hotels and

hedgehog homes have been constructed. This brings to mind the 1970s, when in the Yorkshire Dales the right to graze sheep amongst the graves was auctioned to local farmers to raise much needed funds. The grazing continues today, sometimes with the advice to “be careful not put your foot in it!” when visiting or looking for family gravestones.

Barry Stelfox

Open Doors Café Menu - June

The café is open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays, offering snacks and drinks 10am – 11:30am and hot meals from: 12 noon – 1:30pm (last orders 1pm).



Main course £4.50; pudding £2.50. Meal Deal (main & pudding, served with tea or coffee) £7.

Friday 2 nd June	Faggots, mashed potatoes and mushy peas Lemon sponge and custard
Tuesday 6 th	Lamb & vegetable casserole Apple pie and custard
Wednesday 7 th	Cheese & broccoli quiche, new potatoes and peas Mixed berry crumble and custard
Friday 9 th	Salmon, creamed potato, vegetables and dill sauce Lemon & blueberry trifle
Tuesday 13 th	Beef lasagne, garlic bread and salad Caramel shortcake
Wednesday 14 th	Sweet & sour pork and savoury rice Bakewell tart and custard
Friday 16 th	Gammon, potatoes, peas and parsley sauce Chocolate, caramel & ginger tart and cream
Tuesday 20 th	Breaded lemon chicken, coleslaw and salad Coconut & cherry sponge and custard
Wednesday 21 st	Savoury stuffed peppers, potatoes and salad Sticky toffee sponge and custard
Friday 23 rd	Cumberland sausage, potatoes, vegetables and onion gravy Fruit salad and ice cream
Tuesday 27 th	Steak & kidney pie, potatoes and vegetables Strawberry mousse
Wednesday 28 th	Chicken chasseur, potatoes and vegetables Treacle tart and custard
Friday 30 th	Barbecued pork, potatoes and green beans Maple syrup & pecan sponge and custard

Warwick Road Centre and Café - June Update



- The next Film Club is on Wednesday 7 June at 2pm. If you want to book or find out more details of the film, please contact Ruth or George in the Office.
- Major works on the North elevation of the Centre have been completed and we trust this will prevent rainwater ingress in the Greyfriars Room. We will be monitoring things carefully during wet weather – although of course we want a dry and warm Summer!
- Our new cleaning team of Annie and Jenny are working well and hopefully we will have stability for a while.
- A number of the high level lamps in the Main Room have gradually failed over the last year or so. To replace the lamps is a major job requiring a scaffold tower, and so we defer the work until there are sufficient replacements to justify calling in an electrical contractor. That day has arrived because we now have nine lamps not working. Let there be light! – Finham Electrical have been asked to carry out the work which will result in a big improvement.

Trevor Gay, Warwick Road Centre Manager

Smiles - 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.

from Parish Pump



← scan me!



FANTASTIC FESTIVALS!

There is so much going on in Coventry and Warwickshire this year, and it seems to be the year for festivals! Here are some dates for your diary:



Motofest | 3rd & 4th June

A weekend of non-stop cultural celebration and motoring madness. Free family fun including thrilling motorsport, heritage displays, global street food, live music and much more!



Balsall Common Picnic in the Park | 17th June

Live music, pop up food stalls, kid friendly stalls, and alcohol stalls. Bring your own picnic and drinks, table and chairs or just a blanket!



Food Festival at Coombe Abbey | 18th June

Delicious food and drink from around the world for everyone to enjoy, lots of children's activities and amazing live music throughout the day.



Funtopia | 26th July

Taking place at Coombe Abbey, Funtopia has inflatables, role play areas, shows and competitions, character meet and greets, giant games, huge water fights, a tasty food court and more!



Kenilworth Food Festival | 30th July

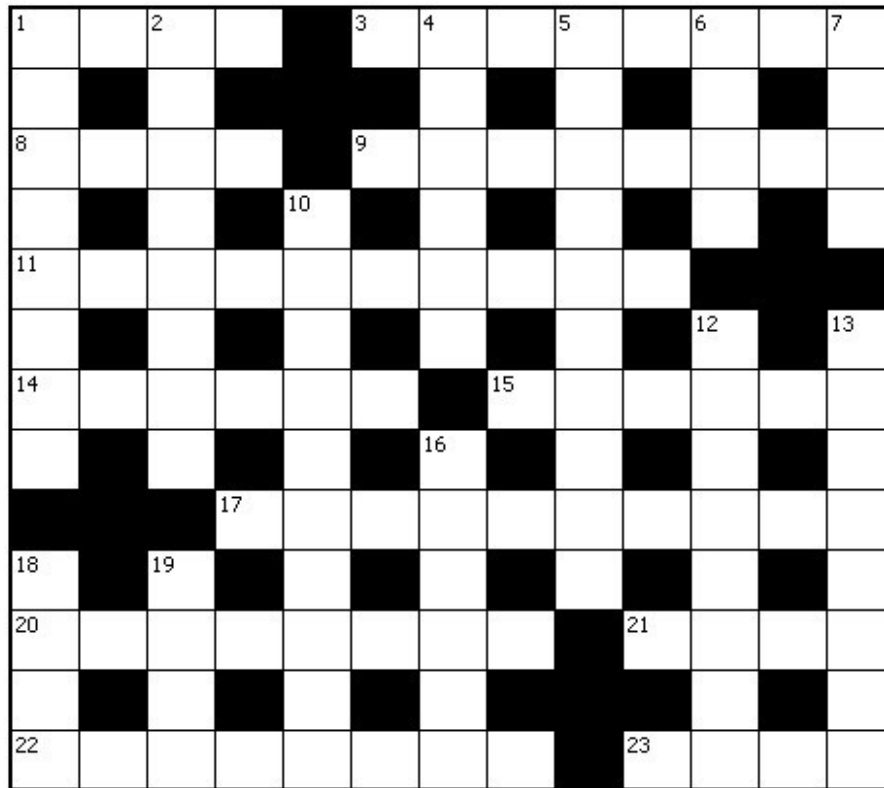
Not only will you be spoilt for culinary choices, but you'll also have some incredible live music to listen to whilst you enjoy the delicacies on offer.

And there's more! Head to www.coventryrocks.co.uk for all the details

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Puzzle Pages



Across

- 1 See 23 Across
- 3 Where the thief on the cross was told he would be, with Jesus (Luke 23:43) (8)
- 8 Invalid (4)
- 9 Blasphemed (Ezekiel 36:20) (8)
- 11 Adhering to the letter of the law rather than its spirit (Philippians 3:6) (10)
- 14 Shut (Ecclesiastes 12:4) (6)
- 15 'This is how it will be with anyone who — up things for himself but is not rich towards God' (Luke 12:21) (6)
- 17 Mary on Isis (anag.) (10)
- 20 Agreement (Hebrews 9:15) (8)
- 21 Native of, say, Bangkok (4)
- 22 Deaf fort (anag.) (5-3)
- 23 & 1 Across 'The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of — to work it and take — of it' (Genesis 2:15) (4,4)

Down

- 1 Struggle between opposing forces (Habakkuk 1:3) (8)
- 2 James defined this as 'looking after orphans and widows in their distress and keeping oneself from being polluted by the world' (James 1:27) (8)
- 4 'The one I kiss is the man; — him' (Matthew 26:48) (6)
- 5 'Be joyful in hope, patient in — , faithful in prayer' (Romans 12:12) (10)
- 6 St Columba's burial place (4)
- 7 Swirling current of water (4)
- 10 Loyalty (Isaiah 19:18) (10)
- 12 'God was pleased through the foolishness of what was — , to save those who believe' (1 Corinthians 1:21) (8)
- 13 Camp where the angel of the Lord slew 185,000 men one night (2 Kings 19:35) (8)
- 16 'There is still — — — Jonathan; he is crippled in both feet' (2 Samuel 9:3) (1,3,2)
- 18 David Livingstone was one (4)
- 19 Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority (1,1,1,1)

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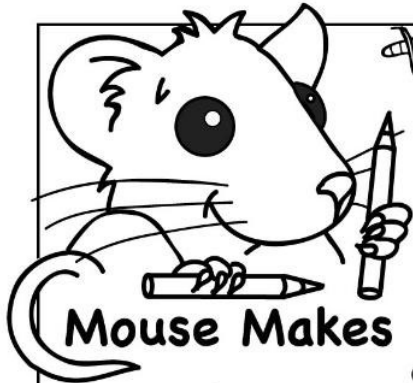
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WORDSEARCH

Each June, the Church of England holds its Petertide ordinations, to coincide with the feast day of the great apostle Peter, who led the Church at Pentecost. Simon had been a fisherman from Bethsaida, near the Sea of Galilee, when his brother Andrew introduced him to Jesus. When Simon made his famous confession of faith, that Jesus was the Christ, Jesus gave him a new name – Cephas, or Peter, which means rock. The ‘gates of hell’ would never prevail against Jesus’ Church, and He gave Peter the power of ‘binding and loosing’, and also the ‘the keys of the kingdom of heaven’. Peter witnessed the Transfiguration, the raising of the daughter of Jairus, and Jesus praying in Gethsemane. Peter betrayed Jesus but after the Resurrection, Jesus entrusted him to feed both the lambs and the sheep of Christ’s flock. Peter was the first apostle to work a miracle.

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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

2

A Swarm of Frogs

In which
 places were the
 frogs found?

Read - Exodus 8:3-4

3

A Plague of Gnats

When Aaron struck his
 staff on the ground
 what became Gnats?

Read - Exodus 8:16-17

4

Swarms of Flies

In which land were the
 flies not be found?

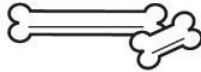
Read - Exodus 8:22

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Death of Animals

Which animals that belonged
 to the Egyptians died?

Read - Exodus 9:2



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 BOILS • PEOPLE • HAIL • THUNDER • FIRE
 MAN • BEAST • LOCUSTS • WIND • LAND
 DARKNESS • FIRSTBORN • MIDNIGHT

6

A Break out of Boils

What did Moses throw into
 the air before boils appeared
 on people and animals?

Read - Exodus 9:10

7

A Rain of Hail

What also rained
 down with the hail?
 Where did it not hail?

Read - Exodus 9:24-26

8

A Swarm of Locusts

Where did the wind
 come from that brought
 the locusts to the land?

Read - Exodus 10:13

9

Darkness over the Land

How many days did
 it remain dark?

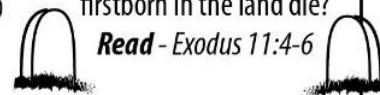
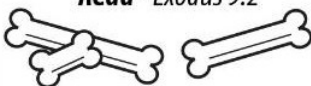
Read - Exodus 10:21-22

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Death of the Firstborn

At what time would the
 firstborn in the land die?

Read - Exodus 11:4-6



SOLUTION - SUDUKO (EASY)

2	5	3	7	6	9	8	4	1
8	4	1	2	5	3	7	6	9
7	6	9	8	4	1	2	5	3
3	2	5	9	1	7	6	8	4
6	7	8	3	2	4	9	1	5
9	1	4	5	8	6	3	2	7
4	3	2	6	9	5	1	7	8
5	8	7	1	3	2	4	9	6
1	9	6	4	7	8	5	3	2

SOLUTION - SUDUKO (MEDIUM)

1	5	8	4	3	7	6	9	2
7	2	9	1	8	6	4	5	3
4	3	6	5	2	9	1	7	8
3	7	4	8	1	2	5	6	9
8	9	2	6	7	5	3	4	1
5	6	1	3	9	4	8	2	7
6	1	7	9	4	8	2	3	5
2	8	5	7	6	3	9	1	4
9	4	3	2	5	1	7	8	6

CROSSWORD SOLUTION

Across

1 Care; 3 Paradise; 8 Null; 9 Profaned; 11 Legalistic; 14 Closed; 15 Stores; 17 Missionary; 20 Covenant; 21 Thai; 22 Trade-off; 23 Eden

Down

1 Conflict; 2 Religion; 4 Arrest; 5 Affliction; 6 Iona; 7 Eddy; 10 Allegiance; 12 Preached; 13 Assyrian; 16 A son of; 18 Scot; 19 DVLA

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Thanks,
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Worship at Baginton Road URC - June 2023

Morning service: 10.30am; Evening service: 6.30pm (unless otherwise stated)

Date	Time	Preacher	
4 June	am	Kirsty Mabbott	Holy Communion
	pm	Revd Colin Offor	
11 June	am	Steve Elton No evening service	
18 June	am	Revd Peter Kimberley	Holy Communion
	pm	Sue Matthews	
25 June	am	Lynsey Cain & Margaret Bolton No evening service	
2 July	am	Revd Peter Kimberley	Holy Communion
	pm	Revd Colin Offor	

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