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Verse for the Year: 'Enlarge the place of your tent, stretch your tent curtains wide, do not hold back; lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes' - Isaiah 54:2

News Sheet - 28.3.2021 - Palm Sunday

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We welcome you to our service this morning which is held on zoom. Paul is leading our worship today. We will be looking at Matthew 5 v 11

Log in meeting ID - 87015605160

Passcode - 606355

Services during April:-

April 4th - Easter Sunday - All age worship & Communion starting at 10.00a.m.

April 11th - Paul Smith - Joshua 24 v 14-15

April 18th - Paul Smith - Genesis 2 v 18-25 - AGM at 12.30p.m.

April 25th - Paul Smith - Deuteronomy 6 v 1-9, Timothy 3 v 14-17

Bring a Brew:-

Our next Bring a Brew will be held on **Friday, 2nd April, 10.30a.m. - 11.30a.m.** Relaxed reflection on the Good Friday resources posted on the website. Make a cuppa and come and share a time together.

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If you would like to make a direct payment/donation/standing order to the church, the church account details are:-

Sort code: 30-99-08 A/c No: 22019560. If you are able to Gift Aid your donation, this would add 25% to your giving at no extra cost to you. please contact the Treasurer or the Church

Please remember in your prayers, thoughts and actions:-



Jane and David, Dave and Ann and family, Jenni and family, Gill, Alan and Rose, Lara and family, Jack and Kevin Cooper. Please continue to remember in your prayers the Youth Alpha course and the young people attending.

Remember the fellowship at Haddenham Baptist Church, Cambridgeshire. Pray for the pastor Tudor Parsons and the leaders as they seek to follow God's guiding as they explore mission going forward.

MISSION NEWS:-



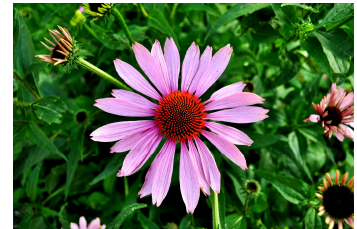
months Mission news from the Norwich Foodbank

15,059 food parcels were given to local people in the last 12 (up to 28th February 2021), including 5,319 children. This a 22% increase on last year. The Foodbank will be our prayer focus for April.

Annual Reports - If you are responsible for an annual report please make sure it is sent to the Office ASAP and certainly by the end of March. Thank you.

BISHOPS HOUSE OPEN GARDEN DAY –

The Matthew Project Charity are hosting a garden open day with the kind permission from Bishop Graham and Rachel Usher on Sunday 16th May 2021. If you would like to make a visits, tickets are £5 per adult. Follow the link to ‘newsletters’ on the Matthew Project website – www.matthewproject.org



Bring a Brew: A FEW NEW DATES

A reminder that next week, Holy Week, we will be meeting on **Good Friday, 2nd April, from 10.30 – 11.30 am** (so NO meeting on Tuesday 30th March).

We will be using the resources from our website for a relaxed time of reflection and worship. Everyone is welcome to join us!

If you would like a paper copy of the Good Friday reflections, please could you let Nicki know by email or a phone call and she can get copies to you before Friday.

If you have a worship song or hymn that has particular meaning for you at this time of year, again could you let Nicki know and we will try to include it in our time of worship.

We will meet as usual on **Tuesday 6th April from 2.30 – 3.30pm**

After Easter, Nicki will be back in the bookshop on Tuesdays so we will be moving Bring a Brew to **Thursday afternoons from 2.30 – 3.30pm. This will start on Thursday 15th April.** We do hope that you will still be able to join us for a cuppa and a chat.

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Celebration Bunting.

With the possibility of meeting with family or friends in the garden from next week, why not add to the sense of occasion and fun by decorating your shed, garden wall or fence with some cheerful bunting?

Each bit of bunting is 3m long. There is no set price but please make a donation which will go to Roots funds.

Available from Shirley's porch or by ringing/emailing Nicki



Answers to last week's question for our Youth Church:-

Who was the criminal that was set free in place of Jesus - Barabbas

**Who came to visit Jesus at his burial site, only to discover he wasn't there - Mary
Magdalene**

Questions for this week -

How old was Jesus when he died?

How many times did Peter say he didn't know who Jesus was?



Wanted

Digital video camera to lend to Doug to test our capabilities as we start to prepare to return to the church building.

The plan is to enable people to "join" our services if they're not able or ready to come to the building.

Camera needs to have HDMI output.

Please contact Doug if you have one you're willing to lend for a few weeks.

EASTER CELEBRATIONS –

Maundy Thursday (1st April) – The church will be open from 9a.m. – 9p.m. for private meditation at the Stations of the Cross. Please book your time - <https://rsvp.church/r/iepgkEVd> or contact Cathy in the church office (01953606520)

Good Friday (2nd April) – Bring a Brew – see above. Reflection resources are available on the 'Resources' tab on church website – www.wymondhambaptist.org

Easter Saturday (3rd April) – Bake your own bread for breakfast on Sunday

Easter Sunday (4th April) – All age worship and breakfast together – 10.00a.m.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK - Palm Sunday



Today is Palm Sunday, the Sunday before Easter. Why **Palm Sunday**? Well, the Bible tells us that when Jesus rode into Jerusalem the crowds cut down palm branches from the trees and waved them in celebration and even spread them on the road in front of Jesus. The crowd were also shouting 'hosanna' - which means "Save now". You see, on the whole, the crowd were hoping for a political leader who would overthrow the Romans. Sadly, they hadn't understood that Jesus, through His death and resurrection, would take away the sins of the world. They had no idea of the enormity of what the following week would bring. So, there they were, waving their palm branches in celebration, not knowing the everlasting celebrations that would come.

As I was writing this, I found this verse, Revelation 7:9, that describes the adoration and praise of God that we can all be a part of in the Heavenly Kingdom. This verse says "**After this I looked and there was a great multitude that no-one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands**".

Little did the people at the time of the first Palm Sunday know what the real celebration would be as they waved their palm branches. One day, as we trust in Jesus, we will be one of that great multitude waving **our** palm branch to honour the King. Amen!

MISSION FOCUS - MARCH - OUR YOUTH



Father God,

We bring the youth of WBC to you as they develop spiritually, mentally, emotionally and physically.

Father draw close to them as they come to know you more and grow in their faith.

We pray that they would boldly share Jesus with their friends and that the relationships built during the early stages will continue to build in future years. Father help those entering their teenage years to find the answers to their questions and walk their journey with their eyes fixed on you. We pray for authentic, lasting heart transformation in the lives of the children of the church. Father we bring all those involved with the youth ministry to you, we pray for wisdom and guidance from the Holy Spirit as they seek to be spiritual leaders. We also pray for the parents, that in the busyness of life, they would make church a priority in their family's life. Father God, help us all as a fellowship to understand the importance of our witness to the youth, recognising that we all have a role to play.

In Jesus name

Amen