

A very warm welcome to everyone visiting our church today. It's great that you're here this morning, we hope that you enjoy today's service. We would love to get to know you better, so please join us after the service for tea and coffee if you are able.

Sunday 14th April 2019

10.30am - Palm Sunday

4pm - Reflective Communion

5.30pm - Rose Garden Church

For Your Prayers

Let us give thanks for the life of Morag Clark. She died peacefully on the 9th of April. Her spirit lives on as it did despite her dementia.

Pray for her nephew Rev Robin Scott and his wife Liz as they grieve and prepare for a thanksgiving service. Details to follow.

Niels is again on antibiotics, this time for a chest infection. Pray for a swift

recovery so he and Carole can appreciate the joy of him being home.

Pray for Mo riddled with pain at present. May remission come and may surgery be possible to replace her shoulder joint.

Pray for the outreach at Easter as we celebrate Good News. May those who here "His Story" enter the story in faith and repentance and bring God the glory.

Thought for the Week

Christianity is not a philosophy or a religion or a kind of spirituality. It is a person, and that person crawled up on to the cross for you.

Dave Sloan

Today's Reading

Mark 15:1-15 (NIV)

Jesus Before Pilate

¹⁵Very early in the morning, the chief priests, with the elders, the teachers of the law and the whole Sanhedrin, made their plans. So they bound Jesus, led him away and handed him over to Pilate.

²"Are you the king of the Jews?" asked Pilate.

"You have said so," Jesus replied.

³The chief priests accused him of many things. ⁴So again Pilate asked him, "Aren't you going to answer? See how many things they are accusing you of."

⁵But Jesus still made no reply, and Pilate was amazed.

⁶Now it was the custom at the festival to release a prisoner whom the people requested. ⁷A man called Barabbas was in prison with the insurrectionists who had committed

murder in the uprising. ⁸The crowd came up and asked Pilate to do for them what he usually did.

⁹"Do you want me to release to you the king of the Jews?" asked Pilate,¹⁰ knowing it was out of self-interest that the chief priests had handed Jesus over to him. ¹¹But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have Pilate release Barabbas instead.

¹²"What shall I do, then, with the one you call the king of the Jews?" Pilate asked them.

¹³"Crucify him!" they shouted.

¹⁴"Why? What crime has he committed?" asked Pilate.

But they shouted all the louder, "Crucify him!"

¹⁵Wanting to satisfy the crowd, Pilate released Barabbas to them. He had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified.

BMS Birthdays

21st	Neil Hall
29th	Niels Waugh
30th	Diane Bridges

Easter Events

We will be sharing a soup supper on Maundy Thursday, followed by an all age service, 6pm Thursday 18th April.

Please sign up for this and the Good Friday breakfast on the sign up sheets in the foyer or middle hall so we can make sure there is enough food!

Messages of thanks

"I would like to express grateful appreciation and thanks to the many church members who have so kindly given prayerful support and messages of condolence in recent weeks, following the death of our mother. Yvonne Williams."

"Niels wants to express deep gratitude and appreciation for all the messages of sympathy, support, encouragement, all the cards and visits. Thank you, too, for those who have and are praying.

It's great to be home after exploring the hospitals of Herefordshire for the last 4months! Although there is still a long way to go!"

"Thank you to everyone for their prayers during my treatment. I am making good progress and just having follow up care now.

Hereford Bible Society Action Group are considering arranging a visit to Swindon to visit the Bible Society Headquarters on Monday 15th July followed by a visit to Brunel Shopping Centre in the afternoon. If

you are interested can you please let me know by 23rd April. Cost to be confirmed when numbers are known. Jill Meredith Tel 01432 760524

Easter Hymns

If you would like to join us when we sing Easter hymns at two Care Homes this month, you will be most welcome. Meet outside the home ten minutes before our start time. Wednesday 17th April at 2 pm at Oaklands, in Bodenham Road
Wednesday 24th April at 11.30 am at Charles Court, off Ross Road

Monday House Group

No Monday house group until Monday 29th April. On the 29th the group should come prepared to share a verse or passage from the Bible or something about a Christian book they have been reading. We will then begin our new study book 'Women of Faith from the Old Testament', on Monday 13th May.

Friends International

Tim Bayliss is going to be a volunteer worker with Friends International (a Christian organisation seeking to reach international students with the gospel) in Birmingham from September and has a prayer letter available. If you would like to go onto the regular mailing list, please contact him at timbayliss@live.co.uk or 07935 009749.

What's On This Week

Tuesday

9am Tuesday Breakfast Club

Wednesday

2pm Easter Hymns at Oaklands

10.15am-12pm Wednesday Club
Liz Donavan 'Songs with recordings of handbells'

Thursday

5.45pm Maundy Thursday Meal and Communion - All Age

7.30pm Musicians Practice (Red Team)

Friday

9am Good Friday Breakfast and all age service

10.15-11.15am StarFish-Mums and Tots exercise class

Saturday

10am-12pm His Story Easter Event

Sunday

Midnight Night Shift

10.30am Morning Service with Communion - Easter Sunday

5.30pm Rose Garden Church

Annual Church Meeting

HBC annual Church meeting will take place Monday 20th May 2019 at 7.30pm. AGM booklets will be made available 2 weeks prior to this.

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Please submit content for the newsheet to the church office before Thursday.