

*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 21st April 2019**

10.30am - Easter Sunday

All Age Service

5.30pm - Rose Garden Church

### **For Your Prayers**

Pray for all the preparations for the Easter services. Think and pray as to whom you could invite. Pray for the outreach on Easter Saturday....His Story. May those Christ is calling respond to the invitations to come. Pray for those helping to give of their best and to be channels for the Holy Spirit.

Pray for all those who cannot come although they would love to: Margaret

Williams, Win Jefferies, Norah Burge, Niels Waugh....May the Lord bless them where they are.

Pray for students to have a refreshing break but also to keep up with revision for impending exams.

Heather C gives thanks for the end of radio therapy. May we all praise God for deliverance and answers to prayers. May the family enjoy Easter celebrations.

## Today's Reading

### Luke 24:13-36 (NIV)

#### On the Road to Emmaus

<sup>13</sup> Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles[a] from Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup> They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. <sup>15</sup> As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; <sup>16</sup> but they were kept from recognizing him.

<sup>17</sup> He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?"

They stood still, their faces downcast. <sup>18</sup> One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?"

<sup>19</sup> "What things?" he asked.

"About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. <sup>20</sup> The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; <sup>21</sup> but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. <sup>22</sup> In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning <sup>23</sup> but didn't

find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus."

<sup>25</sup> He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! <sup>26</sup> Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?" <sup>27</sup> And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

<sup>28</sup> As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them.

<sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"

<sup>33</sup> They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together <sup>34</sup> and saying, "It

is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.”<sup>35</sup> Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

### **Jesus Appears to the Disciples**

<sup>36</sup> While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.”

### **Thought for the Week**

Jesus didn't come into the world to make bad people good. He came into the world to make dead people live.

*Ravi Zacharias*

### **Hereford Bible Action Society**

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](mailto:timbayliss@live.co.uk) or 07935 009749.

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## What's On This Week

### Tuesday

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9am Tuesday Breakfast Club

### Wednesday

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10.15am-12pm Wednesday Club  
*Penny Platts 'The beauty of Japan'*

### Thursday

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7.30pm Musicians Practice (Purple Team)

### Friday

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10.15-11.15am StarFish-Mums and Tots exercise class

### Saturday

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10am-3.30pm Level 3 Safeguarding Training

### Sunday

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Midnight Night Shift  
10.30am Morning Service  
5.30pm Rose Garden Church

### BMS Birthdays

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

### 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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