

Church Bulletin 22nd October 2020

Our service will be livestreamed from St Paul's at 10.30am on Sunday on our YouTube channel with a link on our Facebook page.

We have a limited number of spaces available at St Paul's and these must be booked in advance. You can book in online if spaces are available using My ChurchSuite - My Events. If you unable to book online, text 07775 666869 or 07964 544893 and we will book you in if there is space available. **WE ARE NOT ENCOURAGING THOSE WHO ARE ELDERLY OR WITH UNDERLYING CONDITIONS TO ATTEND, BUT LEAVE THIS TO YOUR DISCRETION.**

Children's Church plans

We are planning to begin some in-person children's work from the **1st November**. Currently this will be for those children who would usually come to 2:40 Tribe, ie children in school years 1 to 6. This will run parallel to our Sunday morning services so parents can drop their children off at the Hub at 10:30am and, in-keeping with government guidelines, collect them an hour later at 11:30am. Booking will be via ChurchSuite – My Events and we are limited to 15 places. More details will be available on the parents' Messenger page.

On Sunday 1st November

- We will be sharing **communion** together during our livestreamed service so please get your bread and juice ready in advance if you are watching at home. We are not currently planning to hold a communion service on Wednesday 4th November.
- **Prayer & Praise** will be at 6.30pm on 1st over Zoom. Details will be sent via church comms next week.
- **DNA partnerships** will be meeting during w/c 1st November so cell groups are cancelled that week.

CAP Hampers

We are planning to give our most recent Christians Against Poverty clients hampers at Christmas this year. Groups have been asked to make up hampers but if anyone not currently involved in a group would like to donate items, please get in touch with Jill or the church office for more details.



NISCU Christmas Cards

This year NISCU (Northern Inter-Schools Christian Union) has decided to produce a Christmas card to sell to raise funds to support the work that they do with so many of our local schools. They come in a pack of 5 at the cost of £3 and 100% of the profits from the sale go to support the work that NISCU does in the local area. To pre-order or for more information contact Rachel Gleave: rachel.gleave@niscu.org.uk / 07557 987 474.

Samaritan's Purse – 3 weeks to Collection Week

Wrapped boxes and leaflets available from the office (by appointment) for anyone wishing to fill one for Operation Christmas Child. **As Church attendance is still limited, please take your filled shoeboxes to 'The Entertainer Toy Shop' or 'Toys 'n Tech' from Monday 9th to Monday 16th November during Operation Christmas Child Collection Week.** If this is difficult for you, you can bring your boxes to the Hub during the first week of November instead and we will take them for you.



Compassion UK

We have received a letter from Compassion UK thanking the church and family and friends of Adele Miller for the donations made in her memory which totalled £495.00.

Oasis Food Pantry

Donations – Our food bank has been replaced by the Food Pantry so any money or food donated to food bank will now be used for the Food Pantry and emergency food provision in the Hub. **Specific items we need at the moment are:** tins of tuna, 1l bottles of squash, tins of soup, ravioli, spaghetti hoops, peas, sweetcorn, carrots, chicken supreme, mince, or hot dogs. These can be left in the Church building on Sundays or Fridays when the Food Pantry is on, or at the offices by arrangement.

Prayer Requests

1. Please pray for those in the fellowship who are currently unwell or recovering from operations including Jean Little, Tom Irving, Ernie Duncan, Jenny Pearson & Marcus Davies along with any others you are aware of.
2. We currently have almost 40 members in Oasis Food Pantry. Pray that it meets practical needs but also enables us to build relationships with our Pantry members, and understand how best to share the love of Jesus in deed and in word.
3. Pray for the country of Nigeria where there is a nationwide protest on police brutality and the government has ordered the killing of unarmed protesters by the military. Pray for the peace of God to reign and that the hearts of the leaders of the country would be turned. Also pray for Christians, particularly in Northern Nigeria, who suffer greatly and where the corruption among police and government is a major problem.



Used Stamps and foreign coins

Joyce Hetherington is continuing to collect used stamps and foreign coins for The Leprosy Mission. Any donations can be brought to the Hub to be passed onto her.

UCB Word for Today

We have some copies of UCB's Word for Today for Nov/Dec/Jan in the office. If anyone would like one, they can be collected from the Hub by arrangement or posted out on request.

Finances

Our Offerings in September came to £11,947.12 and we are grateful for God's continued provision for us. If you normally place your offering in the box on Sundays, alternative ways to give while physical meetings are limited are below. You can currently give to the church in 3 ways:

1. **By standing order to the church bank account – details from the church office**
2. Online using our secure online giving facility. Check out our website for details: www.elimcarlisle.org/giving
3. **By texting CC004 to 64647 and following the directions.**



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Alan is continuing to work mainly from home, and can be contacted by phone or text message should any needs arise. Other staff will be in the office from time to time as necessary, and will be available by appointment. The Christians Against Poverty Debt Centre is still open on Tuesdays & Wednesdays and Jill & Jane will be seeing clients BY APPOINTMENT ONLY in The Hub, as well as helping clients online and by telephone. The Oasis Food Pantry is open 10am – 2pm on Fridays for new and existing members.

Room bookings & general enquiries: Contact **Ruth Whiffen** (Administrator) at the Church office or on her mobile (Tues – Thurs 10.30 am – 2.30pm) ruth@elimcarlisle.org (07964 544893)

Minister: Alan Meyer (07775 666869) alan@elimcarlisle.org

Debt Advice: **Christians Against Poverty (0800 328 0006)** or our Debt Centre Manager **Jill Wheatley** (07812 524849)

Oasis Pantry: 07838 349561 or contact Gail Meyer (07801 991204)

www.yourlocalpantry.co.uk/find-a-pantry/oasis-pantry/ **Facebook page:** [@yplpoasiscarlisle](https://www.facebook.com/yplpoasiscarlisle)

Ministry Coordinators contact details:

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