



Weekly Notices

Sunday 22nd March

10.30am Morning Service led by Lloyd Smale

Hymns: StF416 - There's a wideness in God's mercy

StF370 - Breathe on me breath of God

StF397 - The Spirit lives to set us free

StF303 I know that my Redeemer lives

StF556 Just as I am without one plea

Readings: Ezekiel 37 v 1-14

John 11 v 1-45

or join the service from 10:00am on your computer
or mobile app with Worship on the Web

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or call in (audio only) - 020 4526 8593

Phone Conference ID: 419 576 441

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Dear Friends,

I start this letter early as I will be away just before it is due. Where am I going, firstly to Mark's and then to RHS Wisely, and I'm sure you have guessed why, to the yearly RHS Wisely Orchid Show. You can imagine the pictures and texts that have been going to and fro between Mark and I, as we decide the display and orchids that he will take.

If Mark wants to have a table to sell his orchid's, then he has to have a display, and that's where I come in. Part of my job is to prepare the plants by cleaning leaves, removing any dead leaves and making sure the plants are at their best and secure in their pots. This is before (this year) I have secured them in crates for travelling. A lot of preparation. Then there is arranging the display when we arrive, so that it is ready for the judges to come around to all the displays and give their Awards.

A lot of work and a lot of preparation, so that we can be ready. So it is for us in this Lenten period. A time of preparing our selves for Easter and contemplating all that Christ went through for us. A time to consider how He must have felt, as He knew what was ahead of Him. He too prepared for this by taking time alone in prayer with his father and preparing the disciples to continue his work once he had risen and joined his father. His mission on earth was nearing completion, his preparation was coming to the close, all was prepared and ready for his final sacrifice for us, so that we may have eternal life. What love.

An Easter Blessing

Lord, as you enter Jerusalem and journey to your passion week, rouse us from our apathy, deliver us from cosiness, rescue us from complacency, and, as we make this pilgrimage with you to towards your Holy Week and the cross, teach us the lessons of the cross.

Gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and rich in mercy. As we continue through this Lenten period may we go filled to overflowing with the love of the Father, may we lay our lives down in the sacrificial love of the Son and may we be spurred on in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen May God Bless you this Easter. *Tina*

For Our Prayers at Home:

Loving Lord, each day we pray for peace for our world, for family and friends, different situations in our lives and for ourselves. Lord you know all that we have on our hearts, things that trouble us, so as we meet you in prayer, open our eyes to see you, our ears to hear you and our minds to know you. So as we come before you, may we experience your everlasting love for us and your presence alongside us. AMEN

"His divine power has given us everything needed for life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. Thus he has given us, through these things, his precious and very great promises". 1 Peter 1 v 3,4

REMINDER - ANNUAL GENERAL CHURCH MEETING

The Annual General Church meeting for 2026 will be held in the Church after the morning service on Sunday 29th March. All members and friends of the Church are invited and welcome to attend. The meeting will be available online for those unable to be at the Church.

We would welcome new members to join the Church Council. This meeting can elect up to 15 members to the Church Council. If you are interested and would like more information about the work of the Church Council, please contact me.

An electronic copy of the Annual Report for 2024/2025 was being circulated with the notices two weeks ago. *John Ashley* Church Secretary

LAWN MOWER

The Church's lawn mower needs to be replaced. For environmental reasons, we intend to purchase a corded electric machine. However, before we place the order, we wonder if anybody has an electric lawn mower that they no longer use which could be donated to the Church. Please let me know if you can help. *John Ashley*

Dear Friends

The Exeter Coast and Country circuit is carrying out a consultation of its member churches, in the process of developing a strategy to help us all look forward over the next few years. The Stewards team are in the process of putting together an initial response to a questionnaire that we have been asked to complete. To help us make sure that we speak for everyone, can we ask you to kindly take a few moments to answer the questions below please? Response slips will be available in the church this coming Sunday morning, and those online or on the phone will also be given opportunity to contribute.

Alternatively, please feel free to email your answers directly to stewardsteam@creditonmethodist.org.uk by Monday 23rd March.

Q1: What do you think is the most important role of this church?

Q2: If you were to suggest some action or addition that would enhance the life of this church, what would it be?

Thank you so much in advance of your participation in this process.

The Stewards Team

Week beginning Saturday 21st March

Sat 21st March	10 - 11:30 am	Together 4 Coffee donations for World Missions
Sun 22 nd March	10:30am	Morning Worship led by Lloyd Smale
Mon 23 rd March	8 am	Start the week in prayer in Church or wherever you are
	3:30pm - 5 pm	Big Top
Tues 24 th March	7:30pm	Stewards Meeting
Wed 25 th March	10:30 am	3Ls Discipleship in Church
	7:00pm	Emmeus at Home contact Cathy
Fri 27 th March	10 am - 12 pm	Coffee and Chat
Sat 28 th March	10 -11:30 am	Together 4 Coffee donations for CHAT
Sun 29th March	10:30 am	Morning Worship in the Church or on the web led by Rev Stephen Leigh (<i>Communion</i>)

CREDITON FOODBANK requests this week:

- Hot dog sausages (in a jar or tin)
- Cereal (Fruit & Fibre or Branflakes)
- Tinned potatoes, fruit, and custard
- Jars of curry sauce (all flavours needed)
- Children's tooth brushes, Dog food

Contact Details

A CHURCH STEWARD

Notices to Gill by noon on Thursday please.
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