

Museum Street Landseer Road Chantry

Methodist Church

Connections

Pentecost is regarded as the birthday of the Christian church

Pentecost is a Christian observance commemorating the descent of the Holy Spirit on Jesus Christ's disciples, according to the Christian Bible

Pentecost is the festival when Christians celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit.

It is celebrated on the Sunday 50 days after Easter

The Holy Spirit is the third part of the Trinity of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; the way Christians understand God

Pentecost is a happy festival

Hymns sung at Pentecost take the Holy Spirit as their theme, and include:

- *Come down O Love Divine*
- *Come Holy Ghost our souls inspire*
- *Breathe on me breath of God*
- *O Breath of Life, come sweeping through us*
- *There's a spirit in the air*
- *Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me*



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MINISTER'S MESSAGE

Dear Friend's in Christ.

Congratulations to Queen Elizabeth II on the occasion of her Platinum Jubilee. I hope that you are all able to find some way to celebrate and honour her 70 years of dedicated service to our country. As you read this magazine, you will hear about the celebrations at our churches.



Summer is nearly upon us. As I write this the Suffolk Show is in full swing, and it reminded me of this story that I came across and I thought you might enjoy it:

On a hot summer day, what's the most refreshing treat you can imagine? Ice Cream. That's what hits the spot. And that's what people wanted on a hot, sticky day in the summer of 1904. People at the St. Louis World's Fair had walked for hours in the hot sun, and they were ready for something to cool them off. That's why they were lined up for what seemed like miles in front of the booth of Arnold Fornachou to get a taste of his frosty ice cream.

The problem was that Arnold's ice cream was so popular he quickly ran out of paper bowls. The moonlighting teenager scrambled to keep his potential customers by washing and reusing the few ceramic bowls he had on hand. But no matter how hard he worked, many people grew tired of waiting and wandered off in search of another treat. That's when an unlikely partner emerged to save the day.

His name was Ernest Hamwik, a pastry chef who had grown up in Damascus, Syria. In the booth next to Arnold's he was selling a wafer-thin Persian confection called *a zalabia*. That is, he was offering them but no one was buying them.

When Ernest saw his neighbor's plight he was struck with a great idea. Grabbing a warm *zalabia*, he twisted it into a cornucopia shape and rolled it in sugar.

Joan continues..

Then he ran over to Arnold's booth and offered it to him. Still scrambling to wash bowls and wait on customers, Arnold didn't understand what the older man had in mind. But when Ernest handed an ice cream scoop atop a confection cone to a waiting customer, Arnold instantly got the message. A huge smile spread over his face, and in no time, the two men were working side by side—Ernest made "edible bowls", Arnold scooped ice cream. Back then, they were called World's Fair Cornucopias, and they were the hit of the fair.

As you enjoy eating ice cream this summer, think about how the Holy Spirit might be empowering you to use the gifts you have, combined with the gifts of someone else, to create something beautiful together in a new and exciting way.

On 5th June, we will be celebrating Pentecost Sunday which we remember as the birthday of the church and the day that the apostles were filled with the power of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit still comes to us today and empowers us in many ways. Maybe through fire or wind or a still small voice. Maybe it is that coincidence. Maybe it is those goosebumps. Maybe it is that nudge that you can't ignore. Maybe it is the dream you had. Maybe it is the choice that brings you the most peace or the choice that makes you nauseous. Maybe it is the sight of injustice. Maybe it's a story that touched your heart. Once you've felt the Holy Spirit, you will be filled with a new impetus, and that will empower you to move.

Come, Holy Spirit, come!

--Joan



<http://www.myasburyumc.com/354881#summer2002> and <http://www.idfa.org/news-views/media-kits/icecream/the-history-of-the-ice-cream-cone>

WHAT'S THAT THE SIGN OF?

John Goodhand continues with his Pub Signs

The Martyrs: Part One

The Jerusalem Tavern is in Clerkenwell in London and has a rather grisly sign showing the head of John the Baptist. We regularly read about John in the Bible: about his imminent birth, his proclaiming of the Messiah, his baptising of Jesus; but how often do we hear about his death? You can read the whole story in Mark, chapter 6, verses 14-29 (but do so in a modern translation — the Authorised Version isn't easy to follow).

Briefly, Herod Antipas (son of Herod the Great), ruler of Galilee had imprisoned John; he did this because of Herodias whom he had married even though she was the wife of his brother Philip. John had told him that he had done wrong by doing this. Herodias hated John and wanted him killed, but Herod knew that John was a holy man, and liked to listen to him, while being rather disturbed by him.

On Herod's birthday he held a great feast where he entertained all the most important people. Herodias' daughter, Salome, came and danced and delighted Herod and his guests. Herod said, 'What would you like to have? I will give you anything, even up to half my kingdom.' Salome went to her mother and said, 'What should I ask for?' and Herodias' immediate reply was, 'The head of John the Baptist'. The girl went back to the King and said, 'I want the head of John the Baptist, here and now, on a plate'. Herod did not dare refuse because if he broke his promise he would lose face in front of all the people, so he sent the guard to the prison to cut off John's head, and it was brought to the girl who presented it to her mother.

There's a moral there: don't make promises you are not prepared to keep.

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A lesser-known martyr is St. Blaise.

On this board at Richmond, Yorkshire he is called Bishop Blaise. He was born in the 3rd century in Sebastia, Cappadocia, part of modern Turkey. He was traditionally of noble birth, and after being educated in the Christian faith was made Bishop of Sebastia. Legends claim that before he became a bishop, he was a physician possessed of wonderful healing powers, and he was credited with numerous miracles including the cure of diseased animals, which led to him becoming the patron saint of wild animals.

Although Christianity had been adopted as the state religion, the Roman Emperor Licinius began persecution of the Christians, and Blaise was discovered and imprisoned. While in prison he reportedly miraculously cured a boy from choking. Eventually, in 316 he was put to death; his flesh was torn with wool combers' irons and he was beheaded.

On the sign Blaise is holding his bishop's staff in his left hand; in his right is a wool-comb. Our forebears certainly invented some very unpleasant ways of torturing their fellow men.

As well as being the patron saint of wild animals, he is also claimed by the wool combers (the inn in Richmond was, centuries ago, a storehouse for fleeces). That's a nice bit of trivia if you ever find yourself competing in 'Pointless'. And if you feel a little hoarse, you can offer up a prayer to him; he is also the patron saint of sufferers from throat complaints.

John Goodhand



MISSIVE 15

David Howlett finds Time to Talk.

If I read or see something interesting, I try to make a note of it as it is; "Might come in handy". Looking through my computer files for items and photos for this week's missive I came across an item which I read in the free circular posted through the letterboxes; "**In Touch**" for Broke Hall, Ipswich East, Ravenswood & Warren Heath Vol 9 Issue 5 March 2020 Editorial by Sharon Jenkins. This was early March before the lockdown. I thought I must make a copy of this and as I thought it might go into the Church Newsletter, I 'phoned and asked Sharon Jenkins for permission to reuse it. Which she willingly did.



Do you ever long for the days when you pulled up at a service station and waited for an assistant to come to your aid? This is just one example of a 'social' encounter which doesn't exist any-more, replaced by self-service or technology. Of course, self-sufficiency is good in many, if not all, aspects of life, but the need for and the benefit of social contact are proven. Loneliness and isolation are rarely freely embraced and Facebook, Twitter and the like have become lifelines for many while the internet provides unparalleled access to... well, to just about everything.

However, I find that spending time with 'real' people, chatting over coffee, brief conversations over a counter, a helpful assistant when you need to try on a different (invariably bigger) size, even a nod on a cold morning, have all become more precious as a consequence. I saw a poster in a coffee shop recently which made me smile: "I saw a man in a coffee shop the other day. He was just sitting there drinking coffee. He wasn't on his phone or checking his emails. Just sitting there doing nothing like some crazy person!" Not so long ago this would have described most of us and I hope you occasionally find time to 'just sit', despite what others may think! We are fortunate to live in an age where access to just about everything we need, and lots more besides, is at our fingertips but we must never forget those who don't have access or who may need our actual presence in their lives. A message may be appreciated but a hug is everything.

By kind permission.

As you become older some people need more sleep than others, and I'm one of them need less. It doesn't matter if I go to bed earlier or later, I still wake ready to rise between 5 and 6 in the morning. No problem I have a very small radio and earphone and listen to the World Service of the BBC and then Radio 4. Last Sunday at 6.05 am. Something Understood 14th June 2020 Dr. Sarah Goldingay started her broadcast "Divine Recognition" with: - A report from Astronaut Edgar Mitchell from Apollo 14 in 1971, on the earth rising from behind the moon.

“Suddenly from behind the rim of the moon on long slow-motion moments of immense majesty there emerges a sparkling blue and white jewel, a light delicate sky-blue sphere laced with slowly swirling veils of white rising gradually like a small pearl in a thick sea of black mystery. It takes more than a moment to fully realise ‘this is earth’. Home! “



Roots and home are really important and that really hit me when I was as far as I could get from home. I saw this signpost. Fourteen and a half thousand kilometers from England. This was in front of Dunedin Railway Station on the South Island of New Zealand. We will never go into space in order to visualise the wonder of the earth from afar but you don't have to go that far.

A few weeks ago, I showed you the electron photographs of a butterfly's wing, the eye of a fly and just common salt. This week I thought I might show, you by means of my camera, some of the divine which I've recognised much nearer home. (Although I have quite a cheap camera it does have macro setting which means that I can get very close; and of course, I love photography.)

Aquilegia seeds are small, dark and uninteresting. I planted some last year, the plants which evolved were duly planted in the garden and survived the winter. Now they are fully in flower. I've made the picture a bit larger than I normally show just so you can see the structure of that flower that developed from that miserable little seed. If that isn't divine and what should we learn from this?



Here are a few others scattered around my garden.



This is the fifteenth Missive so we must have been locked-down three months. I can't help feeling so much for those many thousands who have lost love ones very dear to them. I feel for those living on their own, the one parent families and those living in high rise buildings and those without gardens. I then thank God that there has some good come from this with neighbours and family helping us bear up. We give thanks to modern technology keeping us in touch by radio, television, and the internet.

When I was trolling through my photo collection I came across some pictures which I took in Hong Kong Park in the centre of that busy and now much troubled city. The park is a lovely green space with botanical gardens, greenhouses and an open-air zoo all for free.

Amongst the gardens is the SARS (Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome) memorial to all the nurses, doctors and medical staff who lost their lives caring for and nursing the sick of yet a previous H1N1 viral infection.

At this time, I thought it appropriate to recall all those who have suffered or lost their lives as a result of flu pandemics in the last 100 years. By far the worst was the 1918 - 1919 so called Spanish Flu. Many years ago, when I was young child, I recall my father taking me to Theberton Churchyard to visit the grave of his cousin who died in 1918 of Spanish flu. During my lifetime I can recall the 1957 Asian Flu, the Hong Kong flu in 2003 and Swine Flu in 2009.



Hong Kong Park Memorial to the SARS medics reads: -

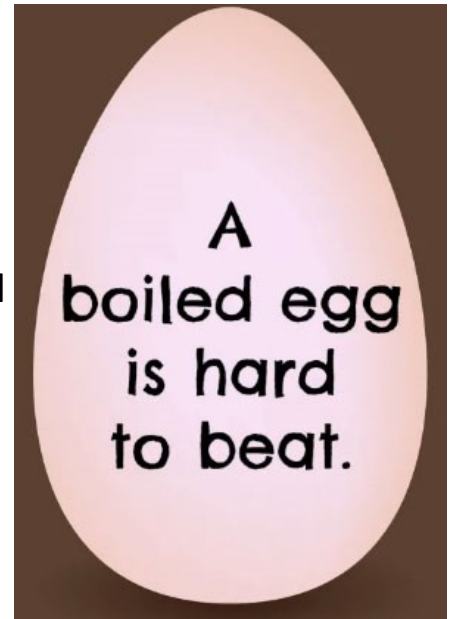
In March 2003 Hong Kong suffered the sudden attack of an epidemic of the century. Known as Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) and the rapid and extensive prevalence of the epidemic caused widespread panic in the community as the risk of a life-threatening danger befell everyone. It was fortunate of Hong Kong to procure the service of highly dedicated healthcare workers who demonstrated a paramount degree of professionalism, committing themselves untiringly to the pursuit of effective medication and treatment, to save and to nurse, and who braved the epidemic invasion without fear of infection on themselves. Meanwhile unity and concerted efforts made between the Government and the community brought about singleness of purpose determined to combat the disease. Hong Kong was consequently delivered from its plight. While the courage and selflessness manifested by members of the healthcare sector are deeply impressive totally deserving of admiration and respect, the noble qualities of perseverance in the face of adversity, solidarity, collaboration for mutual benefit, generosity, understanding and self-sacrificing devotion. Generated from our defence against this epidemic blow, are to be fondly treasured. Many of us find paragon in such honourable spirit and nourish its growth and may this Pearl of the Orient shed greater brightness and iridescence.

This stone plaque is carved for a commemorative cause.

PARAPROSDOKIAN'S

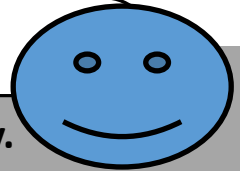
Using Paraproisdokian speech in a joke, piece of writing, or a song can expertly twist the meaning. They keep an audience engaged and make them aware of a comedian's ability with wordplay. When you start reading examples of paraproisdokians, you'll find that they make up the punchline of some hilarious and sophisticated one-liners.

Henny Youngman's famous joke "Take my wife – please!" is perhaps the most well-known example of a paraproisdokian in comedy. You expect that he's using his wife as an example for a joke, but then indicates he wants you to literally take her away by adding the punchline "please!"



- When tempted to fight fire with fire, remember that the Fire Department usually uses water.
- You're never too old to learn something stupid.
- To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.
- Some people hear voices. Some see invisible people. Others have no imagination whatsoever.
- A bus is a vehicle that runs twice as fast when you are after it as when you are in it.
- If you are supposed to learn from your mistakes, why do some people have more than one child?
- Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
- It ain't over til it's over.
- If you arrive at a fork in the road, take it.
- It's like déjà vu, all over again.
- If you don't know where you are going, you might wind up someplace else

DAD JOKES



They make children groan with embarrassment but are funny.

I GAVE my dad his 50th birthday card.
He said: 'One would have been enough.'

HOW do you organise a party in space? Plan it.

TWO TV aerials got married.
The ceremony was boring, but the reception was great.

WHY did the pony ask for a glass of water?
Because he was a little horse.

WHAT did the buffalo say to his son when he dropped him off at school?
Bison.'

DID you hear about the greedy clock?
It went back four seconds.

WHY did the wedding cake need a tissue?
Because it was in tiers.

I ONCE bought a dog from a blacksmith. As soon as I got it home, it made a bolt; for the door.

WHY do bees hum?
Because they don't know the words.

HOW do you stop a baby lettuce from crying '?
Rock it.

WHY couldn't the bicycle stand up on its own?
Because it was two tired.

I USED to work in a shoe recycling shop.
It was sole destroying.

Circuit Services

**Sunday 12th June at 4 p.m. at Museum Street
Circuit Local Preachers Celebration**

There will be a Circuit Service on Sunday 12th June at 4 p.m. at Museum Street to celebrate the ministry of our local preachers. This will include remembering the lives of the local preachers who have died during the past two years and the recognition of those celebrating a milestone number of years as Local Preachers, and welcoming those who are our new to Local Preaching in this circuit.

**Sunday 24th July at 3 p.m. at Landseer Road
Farewell Service**

Farewell service for Rev. Martin and Pam Dawes and Rev. Joan and Adrian Pell.

**Thursday 1st September at 7 p.m. at Trinity, Felixstowe
Welcome Service**

Welcome service for Rev. Abe Konadu-Yiadom and Rev. Saul Tadzauche at Trinity in Felixstowe. Rev Julian Pursehouse, the chair of the East Anglia Methodist District, will be the preacher.

Abe will be serving the four Felixstowe churches and Saul will be serving Woodbridge, Framlingham, Orford, Knodishall, Kelsale and Peasenhall.

Circuit Video Services

With Rev. Joan Pell's appointment coming to an end in August this year, the Circuit Leadership Team has been in discussion as to what to do about the pre-recorded services that she has been leading and organizing and that Adrian has been video editing. The decision has been taken to bring this ministry to an end; the last pre-recorded service will be on Pentecost Sunday, 5th June.

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This is being replaced by a pre-recorded 10-minute sermon on the circuit website each week, and some churches in the circuit are Livestreaming their services on their websites that can also be watched online.

We also have Bitesized Church published each Wednesday which is a 10-minute worship service that you could choose to watch at home on Sundays. The printed services are continuing and with some help, they can continue to be mailed to members without computers.

The archive of all 123 recorded services from 22nd March 2020 to 5th June 2022 can be found at:

<https://methodistic.org.uk/sermon-tag/jmp/>.

Printed services can be found here:

<https://methodistic.org.uk/service-topic/printed-service/>.

Bite Sized Church is here: <https://methodistic.org.uk/category/bitesizedchurch/>.



Free Little Pantry

A Free Little Pantry is now open at
Landseer Road
Methodist Church!



This has been provided by the Church with financial assistance from Ipswich Borough Council so that anyone in need can pop along and get some food and toiletries at anytime, night or day.

The slogan is **'Take what you need. Leave what you can.'**

Those in need can help themselves to anything in the pantry at anytime, and others are invited to donate items by leaving them in the pantry.

There are leaflets inside the pantry that can be handed out to people which contain the details of FIND (Families In Need) to help people get further support.

PEACE

Inward peace and peace between people and nations.

John Lennon: "Imagine"

...invokes a utopia without possessions or greed, without the fighting that he believed nations and religions, by their very existence, promoted.

Imagine there's no countries

It isn't hard to do

Nothing to kill or die for

And no religion, too

Imagine all the people

Living life in peace



News from Around the Circuit

Ipswich Round

Sign up for the new weekly *Ipswich Round* email with news from around the circuit. The first issue is planned for Wednesday June 8th. There will be information on weekly services, ministers messages, and anything that will help us to communicate better between the 22 churches within the circuit.

To be added to the mailing list, please sign up here:

<https://methodistic.org.uk/ipswich-round-weekly-email/>.

Woodbridge Methodist Church would like to invite you to a Free Coffee Morning to celebrate the *Queen's Platinum Jubilee*, Sat 4th June 10am -Noon. Enjoy a cuppa, cake and an informal chat.

Trinity Folk Café Every second Thursday of the month from 7.30 to 10 p.m.

Come along and enjoy playing, singing, reciting a poem or just listening and enjoying good fellowship. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be served.

Kirton Methodist Chapel Garden Every Tuesday from 21st June to 30th August. The Kirton garden will be open for drinks and cake. Enjoy the beautiful gardens. You could even bring your own picnic. Music at some sessions. Crafts in August.



Chantry
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facebook.com/chantrymethodist

Welcome!
Our weekly in-person worship will resume on Sunday 2nd May at 9.30 a.m. We also have a week of online video worship service that can be viewed on the Ipswich Methodist Circuit site.

More details can be seen on the website at <https://chantry.methodistic.org.uk/>

Coffee Mornings

Fridays at 10 – 11.30 a.m.

Service Times

The following services will be at 10 a.m.
Mark your diaries now!

Sunday 5th June – Pentecost / Jubilee Weekend

Sunday 17th July – Anniversary Sunday

(and Rev. Joan's last service at Chantry)

Sunday 28th August – Guest Preacher: Rev. David Jenkins

Queen's Jubilee

Join us on Sunday 5th June at **10 a.m.** for a *Songs of Praise* celebration followed by refreshments on the Lawn.



Chantry Methodist Church
Invites you to a celebration

Songs of Praise

Sunday 5th June 2022
10.00am service followed by
refreshments





Museum Street

Black Horse Lane, Ipswich IP1 2EF
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More details can be seen on the website at <https://museumstreet.org.uk>

Coffee Mornings

Wednesdays at 10 – 11.30 a.m.

Service Times

Services are on Sundays at 10.45 a.m.

The services on 5th and 26th June and 3rd July will be livestreamed.

Livestreamed services can be found
on the circuit website:

<https://methodistic.org.uk/sermon-tag/museum-street/>

or on the Museum Street youtube channel here: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmVjiOm4PWNp7NetbqRiMkA>.

The service on 28th August is a joint service at Chantry at 10 a.m. with guest preacher Rev. David Jenkins.

The Three Wise Women!

It was great to see Mary, Hazel and Irene sitting together in worship on 1st May.



Thank you, and goodbye



Celebrate the ministry of Rev Joan and Adrian Pell at Museum Street

Farewell Garden Party Afternoon Tea

Coffee, Tea, Fruit punch,
Cakes, Scones, Cream, Nibbles,
Great conversations, the odd photograph taken,
Hugs expected, but tears must be left at the gate!

Saturday July 30th 3:00-5:00 pm

132 The Street, Rushmere St Andrew

Plan B (if wet) in Museum Street Church

Please bring a garden chair if you can.
If you need transport, please speak to Kath Calvesbert

MUSEUM STREET ECO CHURCH

There is a national scheme encouraging churches to demonstrate that caring for God's creation is an important part of Christian discipleship.



The scheme focuses on five areas of environmental responsibility:

Worship – to what extent does caring for creation feature regularly at the heart of worship?

Lifestyle – does the church encourage and support members, and friends to adopt an environmentally conscious lifestyle?

Community & Global engagement – does the church speak out to political and community leaders and organise events to raise awareness of environmental issues?

Buildings – are the church buildings managed in an environmentally sustainable way?

Land – is the land managed to encourage wildlife to flourish?

At Museum Street, we score highly (gold) in worship, achieve silver in lifestyle and management of the buildings, and have achieved bronze level in both community & global engagement and Land. The overall award we can claim is the lowest level across all five, and we are fortunate to have exceeded the lowest threshold for bronze in all categories. We will be submitting the results of our survey to gain our bronze award but would dearly like to achieve silver.

What do we need to do to reach silver? We need to achieve two things. Focus our efforts outwardly, and consciously manage the small areas of land we have to support wildlife.

Although we have achieved much within the church community, we have not yet had much influence beyond our own members. We will need to engage with civic leaders, host meetings at which the public can engage with civic and business leaders and invite environmental experts to speak to open meetings. If we are to be successful, we need to be confident that our own members will both attend, and encourage others to attend organised events, and we need to engage more with the groups who use the premises, many of whom are greatly interested in environmental issues.

We also need someone or a group to be proactive in using our land productively – plants that encourage insects and other wildlife and consider how we might install bird and bat boxes, bug hotels and feeding stations.

We will be looking for help with a plan to strengthen our actions in these areas. Please let me know if you want to be part of that. Demonstrating to everyone around us that we are serious in our commitment to creation is an important part of our calling to discipleship.

David Welbourn

CONKER TREE LOOKING FOR MORE SPACE



Hazel Young from Museum Street would like to find a new loving home for a Conker Tree.

5 foot high and free of charge.

In need of a new environment.

Delivery can be arranged.

Please contact Hazel by sending an email to parker.mj@btinternet.com.

MUSEUM ST - AGM

On Sunday 29th May, twenty-three members and friends enjoyed a jacket potato lunch following worship, before we met for the Annual General meeting.

Our time of devotion began with some of Paul's words to the church in Ephesus (2:19-20), reminding us that we are all fellow citizens of the Household of God. Joan described a digital image she had designed whilst in seminary – a collage of the many facets of her faith. We were all invited to share thoughts of how we might in similar fashion illustrate our faith journey. Our time of devotion was brought to conclusion with the challenging words of Singing the faith 662 – Have you heard god's voice? "Will you trust in One who entrusts to you the disciples of tomorrow" – a very fitting opening to the importance of meeting together in our AGM, to take stock of how we were living out our discipleship in this community.



As Joan comes towards the end of her 3-year ministry with us, she reflected on what had been achieved. The pandemic had intruded into carefully laid plans and ambitions for the period. Despite that intrusion, we were pleased to be reminded that not a single Sunday's worship had been missed, even though the character of worship had changed markedly through the period – on-line, zoom and streamed services all providing new challenges and opportunities. Pastoral care had developed powerfully through lock down, with regular phone calls from pastoral visitors and the leadership team.

Joint working across the churches had developed rapidly at the height of the pandemic, but Joan was disappointed that we had been unable to develop this further and had lost some of the gains which are likely to prove invaluable over the coming years with the increasing difficulty in filling ministerial vacancies.

One of the highlights for Joan had been the work on care for the environment and climate justice.

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Preliminary plans had been put on hold by the pandemic, but these re-emerged with the circuit emphasis on preparation for COP26. Justice and discipleship was at the heart of each of the study groups she had led – black lives matter, the Methodist way, same sex marriage, Christian guide to environmental issues, Walking with Micah and the Lent study on 7 Big Questions. The ideas generated in these discussion groups have had a strong influence on the life of the church which will be sorely missed.

Joan's reflections also addressed most of the headlines from the Leadership reports. Members of the leadership team gave additional details from their areas of responsibility.

An appeal was made for people to offer time to contribute to the housekeeping and maintenance of the church. There will be an opportunity to meet the property team over coffee and discuss how people may be able to help – even an hour every week or two will be welcomed.

The recent gift day raised just short of £2000, and the work to renovate the toilets will begin in the autumn. The treasurer gave an overview of the current financial position. Regular giving has increased following last years' appeal, resulting in a close to break-even position in the last church year (Sep '20 to Aug '21) despite the loss of rental income. The forecast for the current financial year is even more positive, restoring some of the reserves which have been depleted over the last three years.

The meeting agreed to proceed with registration for the bronze Eco-church award – details of which are in a separate article.

Ministry and oversight in the circuit will be changing after Joan leaves at the end of July. The circuit has been fortunate to have two new ministerial appointments from September this year – Abe will come to the Felixstowe section and Saul will be based in Woodbridge with oversight of all the churches to the northeast. Andrew will retain oversight of churches south of Ipswich, and Museum Street will become one of 7 churches with pastoral oversight by Derek. Further changes are likely the following year when Andrew retires, and a year later when Derek retires. It will be essential for Museum Street to become more self-reliant on one hand, and to find new ways of collaborating with other churches to continue developing our work in the community.

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The existing appointments of the leadership team, committees and representatives were all renewed, though hope was expressed that others might wish to fill any of the vacant roles.

Both Joan and Adrian were very warmly thanked for their ministry and leadership, as it was increasingly clear how much we would miss the breadth of their talents. Members were reminded that a circuit service will be held on 24th July to celebrate the work of Rev Martin Dawes who has retired on health grounds, and Joan and Adrian as they return to the USA.

Museum Street will also be holding a special event for Joan and Adrian on Saturday 30th July, from 3-5pm. This will be a garden party at 132 The Street, or in the church if the weather is unkind. More details are in the church and on Page 17.

David Welbourn



A Prayer for Ukraine

Holy and Gracious God

We pray for the people of Ukraine and the people of Russia; for their countries and their leaders.

We pray for all those who are afraid; that your everlasting arms hold them in this time of great fear.

We pray for all those who have the power over life and death; that they will choose for all people life, and life in all its fullness.

We pray for those who choose war; that they will remember that you direct your people to turn our swords into ploughshares and seek for peace.

We pray for leaders on the world stage; that they are inspired by the wisdom and courage of Christ.

Above all, Lord, today we pray for peace for Ukraine.

And we ask this in the name of your blessed Son.

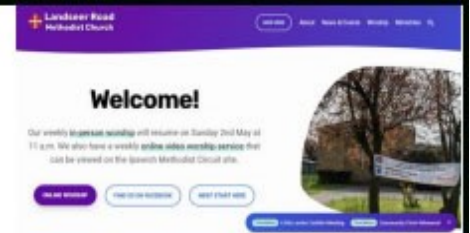
Lord have mercy.

Amen



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facebook.com/landseerroadmethodistchurch



Current activity can be located on the website at <https://landseer.methodistic.org.uk/>

Tea & Toast

Fridays at 8.45 – 10.30 a.m. during term time.

Service Times

Services are on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month at 11 a.m.

First Sundays on the month of June and July will be Café Worship at 10.30 a.m.

Jubilee Garden Party

Sunday 5th June
10.30 am
Café Church
Free Pastries and Drinks on arrival
Puppets !!
Fun session with free crafts
for all the family
Jubilee Garden Party
Lots of fun and food in the garden

SUNDAY SERVICES IN JUNE

| | Chantry 9.30 a.m. | Museum Street 10.45 a.m. | Landseer Road 11 a.m. | Online Video Service |
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| Pentecost 5 th June | 10 a.m. Songs of Praise led by Luke Rokobuli | Rev. Joan Pell (Communion, Livestream) | 10.30 a.m. Café Worship led by Elizabeth Heplethwaite | Rev. Joan Pell |
| 12 th June | Ruth Loggie | Prof. David Welbourn | Rev. Joan Pell (Communion) | Rev. Andrew Sankey |
| 19 th June | Rev. Joan Pell (Communion) | <i>Local Arrangement</i> | <i>No morning service</i> | Prof. David Welbourn |
| 26 th June | Rev. Joan Pell | Rev. Joan Pell (Livestream) | Luke Rokobuli | Derek Grimshaw |

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