



***“Open to God, to each other,
to our neighbours”***

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Dear friends

Autumn greetings. The season is definitely autumn, and the weather is very different. With the news of increased numbers of Covid cases, and the rules changing all the time, we have to re-adapt again. This pandemic is reminding us that we are all fragile and susceptible to getting sick and even dying suddenly.

Christians suffer like everyone else, but we can do it with the peace that God gives us, knowing that our loving God is watching over us. We all have a part to play in this pandemic, the church included, because God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power, love and self-control (2 Tim. 1: 7) that enables us to face circumstances with confidence and in complete peace (Isaiah 26: 3). The God of creation will continually refresh and inspire us, giving us strength, love, grace and peace.

Please continue to pray for those who are sick, especially those whose treatment is delayed, or diagnosis unclear, and for NHS and other key workers. Please also remember the many struggling on low incomes, some without jobs who are job-searching, applying and interviewing. All these brothers and sisters need our prayers.

The spread of the virus can only be stopped with the collaboration of all, churches included. In order to support the *NHS Test and Trace* programme we are requested to keep a list of all worshippers, for 21 days. **Therefore, confirming your presence beforehand will avoid the need to take your details at the start of the service.** When you ring or email to book your place you'll be asked to give your full name and a phone number. Also, if you have a smart phone, note that the NHS has now launched a mobile *Test & Trace app*. It meets the data protection requirements of GDPR, and is available to download free from all major app stores.

This letter includes your 'Prayer Kit' for October and the 2019 Church Annual Reports. I'm sorry that you've received a lot to read, this month!

I hope to see you soon, may the Holy Spirit lead you and guide you.

Lots of love, Anesia

2020 Parishioners Meeting and Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)

The delayed Parishioners Meeting and APCM will take place at the church on Sunday, **18th October 2020**, after the Communion Service. Posts to be filled are:

2 Churchwardens for a one-year term

2 Deanery Synod Representatives for a three-year term

2 PCC Members for a three-year term

If you would prayerfully consider serving the Lord and the church in any of these ways, please discuss this with the PCC Secretary Peter Clarke, or myself. Nomination forms can be obtained from Peter and must be returned to him. Peter's contact details are: pjclarke2@gmail.com 0114 2810683. Nominations can be received up to the day of the meeting, and if we do not get sufficient, the Chair of the meetings can call for nominations from the floor.

Also, motions for discussion at the meeting must be received prior to the date of the meeting. The 2019 Annual Report (including minutes of the 2019 APCM) are included with this newsletter as are the 2019 Annual Accounts.

If those joining services by Zoom and telephone – who therefore will not be at the formal APCM in the church – have questions on the Annual Report or Accounts they should be submitted to Peter so that they can be answered at the meeting.

Services in October

Sunday October 4th - Healing & Hope

10.00am Holy Communion **in** church and **on** Zoom

11.15am Service on the phone

Sunday October 11th - Harvest Festival

10.00am Holy Communion **in** church and **on** Zoom

11.15am Service on the phone

4.00pm Café Church at Holy Trinity Millhouses

Places at Café Church must be booked via Philippa 07818-153581, philippa@wilsondand.co.uk

Sunday October 18th - APCM

10.00am Holy Communion in church and on Zoom, followed by meeting (see above)

7.00pm Reflective Space on Zoom - Healing & Wholeness

Sunday October 25th

10.00am Holy Communion in church and on Zoom

11.15am Service on the phone

4.00pm Café Church at St Peter & St Oswald's

Places at Café Church must be booked via Philippa 07818-153581, philippa@wilsondand.co.uk

Wednesdays and Fridays

9.00am Morning Prayer on Zoom

Tuesdays & Thursdays

8pm Evening prayer on phone

To access all the services on Zoom please log in five minutes before the service is due to start. **Meeting ID: 750-957-6115**, and enter **Password: 233588**.

To access services by Phone log in five minutes before the service is due to start Please call: **0330 336 0036**, and when asked, enter your **Guest PIN: 454562**.