

ST LEONARD'S & ST MARY'S

# CONNECT

The weekly news from your church community  
Sunday 17th May - The Sixth Sunday of Easter



*I will ask the Father, and he will  
give you another advocate  
to help you and to be with you forever,  
the Spirit of truth.  
I will not leave you as orphans;  
I will come to you.*

John 14:16-18



## Love Never Fails - touching others with loving aid

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2020

Things are a little bit different this Christian Aid Week. There aren't any house-to-house collections, Big Brekkies or bucket collections. But there is one unwavering thing – you and your love for your neighbours near and far.

That's because love never fails. We are living in unprecedented times and coronavirus impacts all of us – but love unites us all. Over the last few months, you've shown love to your neighbours in so many ways. You've picked up the phone. You've brought them food. You've prayed for them. You've shown that you're by their side. And they're not alone.

And while this Christian Aid Week feels a little strange, we know you will do what you can in these unusual circumstances to reach out to your global neighbours too. In the face of coronavirus, the poorest and most vulnerable in our world need your help.

Your gifts this Christian Aid Week could help us to continue to support families around the world who are living in poverty, including people who will be affected by the coronavirus. Families who are living in over-crowded refugee camps. People who have no clean water to wash their hands. People who are living with HIV. These are grandparents, mums, dads and children – real people. Like you and me. We must respond to limit the impacts of coronavirus and continue to help people living in poverty. From providing essential soap, water and handwashing training to Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh, to ensuring we can continue to provide life-saving support for some of the poorest families across the world.

As coronavirus spreads across the world, love rises up in response.

Will you help your neighbours today?

Your love protects from storms, from drought, and now from coronavirus. Your love protects our global neighbours, battling the spread of this illness. Your love protects with providing soap, clean water and medical supplies.

Reach out and protect more of your neighbours this Christian Aid Week. Because love never fails. Even in the darkest moments, love gives hope.

Your donations will help support people in poverty around the world – more important than ever in light of the coronavirus pandemic. Thank you.

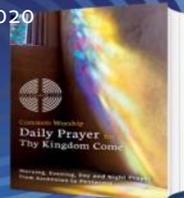
**Donate Today - visit**

**[www.christianaid.org.uk](http://www.christianaid.org.uk)**



**Thy Kingdom Come** - Join the global movement of Prayer

21-31 MAY 2020



**free app for iOS and Android** – containing audio for Morning, Evening, Day and Night Prayer from the booklet for all 11 days. The app has been updated with 2020 Sunday psalms and readings and a new feature that allows you to set reminders for any or all the services at times that suit you.

**A podcast** featuring all eight hours of the Daily Prayer for Thy Kingdom Come audio is also available via iTunes, Spotify and providers

**Smart speaker** – from Thursday 21 May (Ascension Day), you can also get Alexa and Google Home to 'Ask the Church of England for today's Thy Kingdom Come' to hear a short service of Prayer During the Day (before 7pm) and Night Prayer (after 7pm) throughout the 11 days.

Or Commit yourself to pray the Lord's Prayer daily.

For God's Kingdom Love to be done.

# St. Leonard's and St. Mary's Lockdown Project

We invite you to send in any artwork, photos, pictures, pieces of writing, poems, perhaps special recipes – anything that is meaningful to you and which can be printed in a book and which reflects your experiences of being in lockdown as individuals, in your family, and as church. You can be as creative as you like, but please include an explanation of what it means to you!



You can send in multiple items, but not all may be included depending on how much we receive (we would check with you as to what would be most important to you to be included if this happens).

Think about what has kept you going, what has been meaningful for you, how you have occupied yourself, and what has been challenging for you.

Please send the items you wish to be included in the book to me by email at [Jacqui.durocher@gmail.com](mailto:Jacqui.durocher@gmail.com) by the end of September 2020.

We hope you enjoy this project and will all join in as much as possible.

Love to you all, *Jacqui & the doodles*



Our Betty celebrated her 21st birthday once again this week and Izzy managed to pop round with some flowers and a hug.

Betty would like to pass on her love and well wishes to everyone. She has been enjoying the Online services, however, like all of us she is looking forward to the day when we can organise a big Church Party, as well as getting back into the churches for worship.

# Izzy's News

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*Hi Everyone,*

*Woof! woof! woof! here comes the postie!!! Oh Wow! fan mail for me!*

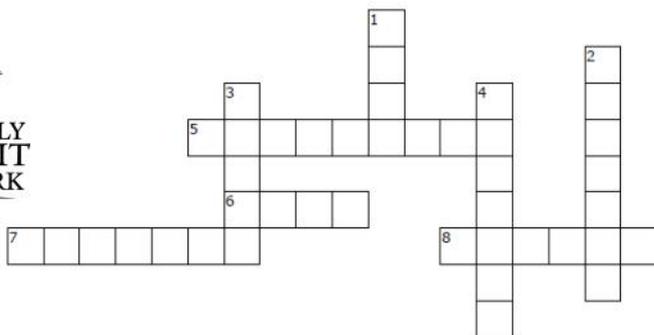
*It was lovely to receive a letter from my friend Dorothy. She sent me a thank you to say how much she appreciated the weekly Connected*

*Newsletter and especially hearing my news. Like others she expressed that even just a short visit by Fiona, Peter as they deliver the newsletters was a wonderful touch in the midst of another long week in Lockdown!*

*I hope as the signs of a possible loosening of the rules may be on the horizon in a few weeks that we can all keep to the current guidelines and not let Nicola down! I don't do much political barking but some of the world's leaders seem to be barking mad and sniffing up the wrong tree. Dad and I often watch the news together, he says it helps guide him in what to pray for, but some of the proposals that I have heard from so called leaders of the free world should be scooped up in a poo bag and thrown in the bin. Why can't our world leaders encourage us and each other to work together and seek a way forward rather than look for someone to pin the blame on! But hey I am just a dog and no ones going to listen to me barking on.*

*However, I am looking forward to going back to the beach and running along the sand and having a swim in the sea. I wonder what are you looking forward to doing when they finally find the key and let us out of lockdown? Do let me know by email or post a letter like Dorothy did. Thank You Dorothy you cheered up my week.*

*with love and licks from Izzy*



ACROSS

5. One who gives help or advice
6. To have a strong affection and attraction for someone
7. To give an order with authority
8. The first person of the Trinity; God the \_\_\_\_\_.

DOWN

1. To be alive or have life
2. For all time; time without end
3. The whole earth and all the people on it
4. Children who have no parents

B L L A D W G C L A I A X R N  
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FATHER	WORLD	OBEY	COUNSELOR	SHOW
ASK	COMMAND	LIVE	SPIRIT	LOVE
FOREVER	ORPHANS	MYSELF	TRUTH	ACCEPT

Based on this weeks Gospel reading from John 14:15-21

# Being Church in these strange times?

Thank you to those who responded to the questions I raised last week. The answers to these questions will help the Ministry Team and myself develop a sense of how we are coping as a church. There may even be suggestions made could lead to new initiatives as we go forward into the year or help us highlight areas for prayer or pastoral concern. So please do let us know.

- 1: What's hardest about being a Christian right now?
- 2: How could the church family support you?
- 3: How could you support others in the church family?
- 4: What do you miss about how things were?
- 5: What are you learning to embrace about how things are?
- 6: What are you getting used to?
- 7: What are you still finding difficult?
- 8: Where do you need God's courage at the moment?
- 9: Where do you need God's comfort?
- 10: Have you engaged with any of the online worship?
- 11: Are the Pastoral telephone calls been helpful?



We may not be meeting in the church building but you are welcome to brew a cuppa and join us on Zoom for

**Online Coffee at Mary's**  
10:30 am Saturday Mornings

If you would like to be part of this Online Coffee Morning please email [andrew@andrewwatt.org.uk](mailto:andrew@andrewwatt.org.uk) for details of how to join the Zoom Meeting. *Andrew hosts this event on behalf of the churches.*

## Marmalade, Jams and Chutney



We may be missing our monthly Bake Stall but we do have a stock of Marmalades, Jams and Chutney on sale and a new stock arriving soon courtesy of Jannia.

As well as Orange Marmalade there are some Lime or Lime and Lemon Marmalade. The Lime one received the Betty Tinley Seal of approval. So if you would like to place an order by phoning Fiona we can organise to drop some at your door when we are out and about dropping off the Newsletters.



**St Mary's**

**stmarysdalkeith.org.uk**

*Open for Prayer*

**Sunday 9.30 to 10.30am**

**St Leonard's**

**stleonardslasswade.org.uk**

*Open for Prayer*

**Sunday 11 to 12noon**

Find us on  **@StLandM**

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Do let us know if any need arises  
at this time and we will try and help.

Both Churches are registered with the Scottish Charity Register as  
St Leonard's Episcopal Church: Lasswade SC014151  
St Mary's Episcopal Church: Dalkeith SC001677



Here is what we are in most need of :

tubs of Pringles, crisps, snacks  
cans of macaroni cheese, tins of ravioli,  
cans of hot dogs, tins of chicken or Ham  
Pot noodles , Hot Chocolate (add water variety)  
Chocolate Spreads, Jams, Biscuits

We also, need good quality carrier bags the bags for life or the 50p/£1 bags from Morrison's or Tesco or Farmfoods. The parcels we deliver are often quite heavy and therefore strong bags are needed to carry them

*Please note, we aren't asking over 70's or people with health problems to drop anything off to us but for those who can we are open from 10am to 10.30am on Wednesday Mornings at the Full Gospel Church Dalkeith High St.*

Thank you for all your support as we reach our community with practical support and kindness at this time. Philip at the Store House



## Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sunday May 17th

If you have been unable to join with us online for our worship I pray that you will be able to use this liturgy to guide your own worship this week.

### *Weekly Worship Online*

*Sunday @ 10am with Eucharist Celebration*

*Wednesday @ 10am Informal Worship*

*Find us at our Facebook group at*

*St Mary's and St Leonard's Church Family*

*and or Zoom into worship by joining the meeting using*

***ZOOM Meeting ID: 656 157 5203 at 10am***

#### In Commemoration

As a church family we continue to hold in our prayers the family and friends of those who have passed away in recent days.

**Roger Kemp, David Hall and Iris Toulouse**

David's funeral service will be on Friday 22nd May at 2pm. The Funeral procession will leave from Pendreich View, Bonnyrigg at 1.30pm, mourners are invited to line the street at a safe distance.

Iris passed away on 15th May,  
Her funeral service will be on Monday 25th May at 3.30pm

## **Easter Acclamation**     - *Lighting of the Paschal Candle*

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

### **Song:**

**HALLELUJAH! SING TO JESUS;** His the sceptre, His the throne;  
Hallelujah! His the triumph, His the victory alone.  
Hark, the songs of holy Zion thunder like a mighty flood:  
'Jesus out of every nation hath redeemed us by His blood.'

Hallelujah! not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;  
Hallelujah! He is near us, faith believes, nor questions how.  
Though the clouds from sight received Him  
When the forty days were o'er,  
Shall our hearts forget His promise, 'I am with you ever more'?

Hallelujah! Bread of angels, Thou on earth our food, our stay;  
Hallelujah! here the sinful flee to Thee from day to day.  
Intercessor, Friend of sinners, Earth's Redeemer, plead for me  
Where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

Hallelujah! sing to Jesus; His the sceptre, His the throne;  
Hallelujah! His the triumph, His the victory alone.  
Hark, the songs of holy Zion thunder like a mighty flood:  
'Jesus out of every nation hath redeemed us by His blood.'

### **The Welcome**

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you**

### **Confession     Peter / Bill**

Christ died upon the cross that our sins could be forgiven  
Let us therefore with faith confess our sins and receive his forgiveness.

**God our Father, we confess to you  
and to our fellow members in the Body of Christ  
that we have sinned in thought, word and deed,  
and in what we have failed to do.  
We are truly sorry. Forgive us our sins,  
and deliver us from the power of evil,  
for the sake of your Son who died for us, Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

God, who is both power and love, forgive us and free us  
from our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit,  
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **The Collect**

**Merciful God, you have promised a place for us.  
Pour into our hearts such love towards you that we,  
loving you above all things, may obtain your promises  
which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.**

### **The Gospel      John 14:15-21      Elizabeth**

*When the Gospel is announced we say  
**Glory to Christ our Saviour***

"If you love me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.

Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you.

Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them."

*give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel  
**Praise to Christ our Lord.***

**Reflection      Jacqui**

**Intercessions      Mike**

## **The Peace**

May the Peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

**Eucharistic Prayer      Bill**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Worship and praise belong to you,  
Author of all being.

Your power sustains, your love restores, our broken world.  
You are unceasingly at work from chaos bringing order  
and filling emptiness with life.

Christ, raised from the dead,  
proclaims the dawn of hope,  
He lives in us that we may walk in light.

**Your Spirit is fire in us,  
your breath is power  
to warm our hearts to love.**

As children of your redeeming purpose,  
freed by him who burst from the tomb  
and opened the gate of life,  
we offer you our praise,  
with angels and archangels  
and the whole company of heaven,  
singing the hymn of your unending glory:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Praise and thanksgiving be to you, Lord of all,  
for by the Cross eternal life is ours  
and death is swallowed up in victory.

In the first light of Easter  
glory broke from the tomb  
and changed the women's sorrow into joy.  
From the Garden the mystery dawned  
that he whom they had loved and lost  
is with us now in every place for ever.

Making himself known in the breaking of the bread,  
speaking peace to the fearful disciples,  
welcoming weary fishers on the shore,  
he renewed the promise of his presence,  
and of new birth in the Spirit

Before he was given up to suffering and death,  
at supper with his disciples  
he took bread and offered you thanks  
He broke the bread, and gave it to them,  
saying: 'Take, eat.  
This is my Body: it is broken for you.'

After supper, he took the cup,  
he offered you thanks,  
and gave it to them saying: 'Drink this, all of you.  
This is my Blood of the new covenant;  
it is poured out for you,  
and for all, that sins may be forgiven.  
Do this in remembrance of me.'

**We now obey your Son's command.  
We recall his blessed passion and death,  
his glorious resurrection and ascension;  
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.  
Made one with him,  
we offer you these gifts  
and with them ourselves,  
a single, holy, living sacrifice.**

Hear us, most merciful Father,  
and send your Holy Spirit upon us  
and bless our bread and wine,  
that we may renewed  
for the service of your Kingdom.

**Help us, who are baptised  
into the fellowship of Christ's Body  
to live and work to your praise and glory;  
may we grow together in unity and love  
until at last, in your new creation,  
we enter into our heritage  
in the company of the Virgin Mary,  
the apostles and prophets,  
and of all our brothers and sisters  
living and departed.**

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be to you,  
**Lord of all ages,  
world without end.  
Amen.**

## **Breaking the Bread**

The living bread is broken  
for the life of the world  
**Lord, unite us in this sign.**

## Lord's Prayer

As Christ has taught us so we pray

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.**

## Distribution of Communion

You may say this prayer as the Priest takes bread and wine on our behalf:

*God of infinite mercy, we thank you for Jesus our Saviour,  
who feeds his people and gives them eternal life.*

*Though we cannot consume the gifts of bread and wine this day,  
we thank you that we do receive Christ's saving presence,  
the forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of his passion.*

*Grant that we may continue for ever  
in the Risen Life of our Saviour. Amen*

## Prayer after Communion

**Father, you restored us to life  
by raising your Son from death.  
May we who receive your love  
always be strengthened to do your will,  
in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.  
Amen**

## Blessing

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

The God of peace,  
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,  
that great shepherd of the sheep,  
through the blood of the eternal covenant,  
make you perfect in every good work to do his will,  
working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight;  
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son,  
and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

## Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen!**

## Song

**O LET THE SON OF GOD ENFOLD YOU**

With His Spirit and His love,  
Let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.  
O let Him have the things that hold you,  
And His Spirit like a dove  
Will descend upon your life and make you whole.

Jesus, O Jesus,  
Come and fill Your lambs.  
Jesus, O Jesus,  
Come and fill Your lambs.

O come and sing this song with gladness  
As your hearts are filled with joy,  
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to His name.  
O give Him all your tears and sadness,  
Give Him all your years of pain,  
And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name.