



Irthlingborough Methodist Church

A warm welcome is extended to all

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Good Morning and I hope you are all staying well. Today I am so grateful to be able to work in the vestry where it is a bit cooler than outside or our living room! Make sure you all drink plenty and stay out of the midday sun.....

Staying in touch:

Our FaceBook page continues to reach out to those in our community.

The church phone is available to leave a message if you need to have a chat and one of our pastoral leaders will get back to you (don't forget to leave a number!). The phone is set up for remote access to the messages. The number is at the top of this newsletter.

If you would like to submit anything for the newsletter I would be delighted to hear from you.

Worship and Prayer:

I shall be circulating the service sheet for this coming Sunday with the newsletter and both will also appear on the website later this morning. The service has been prepared for us this week by Rev'd Michael Langstaff.

I don't know about you but I have suddenly realised that my diary is starting to fill up again.... More church meetings are being pencilled in (mainly on zoom!), visits to gardens of friends and family, a few more shopping experiences. During full lock down I really appreciated having the time to spend in quiet with God. I worry that as life picks up this time will be taken up with other things again. However, I am aware that being still in God's presence really gives us the ability to grow in faith and be strong. I am sure you all know the words of this hymn but worth pondering on. A reminder that no work is too hard for the Lord, and this applies to the reopening of our building for worship as well – it may seem like a big hill to climb, but with God on our side, we can do anything.

Be still,

For the power of the Lord

Is moving in this place:

He comes to cleans and heal,

To minister his grace:

No work too hard for him –

In faith receive from him.

Be still,

For the power of the Lord

Is moving in this place.

Family news:

INVITATION

'Our Zoom 'Housegroup' and 'Tuesday Prayers' are meeting on alternate Tuesdays from 7.30p.m. Each group lasts for just over 30minutes and, you don't have to speak if you prefer not to. If you would like to 'Give it a go' please let me (Ruth Rollings) know and I will happily send you the required invitations to either, or both, of these lovely meetings.

E.mail: ruthroll49@gmail.com or Telephone 652410

Invitation to Churches and Circuits around the District to join together to celebrate a special group of people.

As you will know, we are almost at the end of the Connexional year and for some of you this may seem like the time has either gone by quickly or perhaps slowly. It has been particularly difficult for some in light of the global pandemic of COVID-19. However, over the past year, we have witnessed amazing moments through the Young Leaders Scheme and Youth Work in this District.

We believe that we should be **CELEBRATING!** It is with great pleasure to invite **YOU** to the..

Northampton Methodist District Young People Celebration Service **Sunday 9th August, 2020 4pm on ZOOM.** (room will be open from 3:45pm)

If you'd like to join this service please contact Ollie McAllister, Young Leader Scheme Coordinator for Northampton Methodist District: oliver.mcallister@northamptonmethodistdistrict.org.uk 07908 740188 to receive the zoom ID & password.

For those under 18 that would like to join, they will need to complete a permission form, and for those under 11 they will need to take part in the service with a parent or legal guardian. Forms and further details can be provided by Ollie as detailed above.

More information about the event can be found on

Northampton District Website

<https://northamptonmethodistdistrict.org.uk/about-us/events/>

Northampton District Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/events/717790689014828/>