

# Holyhead Road United Reformed Church

## Sunday 12 July 2020



**The church building remains closed for all activities**

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**Lectionary readings this week:** Isaiah 55: 10-13; Psalm 65: (1-8) 9-13; Romans 8: 1-11;  
Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

**Communicating and Worshipping:** Please contact ministers or Elders with concerns or prayer requests.

A 'Podcast' service uploaded every Saturday by **Revd Bill Young** is available to listen to at [revdbill.uk/worship-material](http://revdbill.uk/worship-material). The podcast link also allows for downloading a service transcript.

**Revd Debbie Brown** will lead phone-in worship every Sunday morning at 11:15. You can join on any telephone by calling the number **0330 606 0403** and listening to the instructions. When you are asked for it, enter the following access code on your phone pad: **442786#**.

### A message from Debbie:

Dear Friends,

As we look towards easing out of lockdown and carefully assessing how we go back into our church premises from September or later, I believe, for the 'Church' to move forward, we are to ask the question *'Does the Holy Spirit still give believers visions and dreams?'* Our churches are blessed by faithful, welcoming, disciples whose love and care is clear in times of pain and joy, and we give thanks that God is at work through us looking to fulfil God's purpose. At the same time, we are aware that the field we are working in needs lots of workers, and it is important to work together so we can have a workforce for all seasons. Today, with the pressures of the world, believers young and old are to be encouraged to be open to God-given dreams and visions because the Holy Spirit wants to encourage us to trust God, believe God's Word, and rejoice in the hope of the future that God's word promises.

Some of us are called to planting, some to watering, some to weeding, some to harvesting and some to protecting the valuable produce. There are so many opportunities - both in the church and in the community - for us to share God's love through Jesus Christ. The whole Bible looks forward and the word *'dream'* is mentioned over sixty times in the Old Testament alone.

Sometimes it refers to ordinary dreams, but it often refers to prophetic dreams, or dreams that give a revelation of God and God's plan or purpose.

So during this summer period, may we think and pray about the future of our churches, the communities in which we are placed and the organisations we could work with, and may that spending time in prayer with God enable us to come together refreshed with ideas about how we can best serve our community's needs.

God bless you all.

Debbie

Girls' Brigade have signed up to the 'Recycle for Charities' scheme and are collecting used inkjet cartridges (except for Epson or Brother cartridges). If you have any empty inkjet cartridges, please hang on to them until they can be donated – they will raise £1 per cartridge for our Girls' Brigade funds! Full details of what can be donated can be found at: [www.recycle4charity.co.uk](http://www.recycle4charity.co.uk)