

Holyhead Road United Reformed Church

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The church building remains closed for all activities

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Lectionary readings this week: 1 Kings 3: 5-12; Psalm 119: 129-136; Romans 8: 26-39;
Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52

Communicating and Worshipping:

Please contact the ministers or Elders with any concerns or prayer requests.

A 'Podcast' service uploaded every Saturday by **Revd Bill Young** is available to listen to at 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,

God's Word (The Bible) offers peace for every situation in life. God's Word can replace anxiety and fear with hope and healing. Jesus is described as 'The Prince of Peace.'

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:6-7)

Let us continue in prayer to put our hope and trust in God.

Some news from Coventry: COFFEE SHOP SUNDAY is a fresh expression of church in Coventry, a group who normally share contemporary worship on Sunday afternoons in the Costa Coffee at Gallagher Retail Park. During lockdown the church has met online, and the group has written a booklet of prayers. Here is one on the theme of HOPE.

Loving Father, we thank you for all the good things you bring us at this time of lockdown and social distancing.

We pray that you will be with us as we come to terms with a new way of living.

Help us Lord not to see the darkness as a time when we are buried, rather let us see it as a time of being planted.

Show us new opportunities, new ideas and new life which can grow and flourish at this time.

Give us your vision, Lord, for sharing your love and hope with others in such changed circumstances, especially those without the technology we rely on.

May there be a re-awakening of openness and seeking for our living, loving God.

Thank you for friends and family, and the different ways we have to communicate.

For healing relationships and new friends made.

Lord, you are our guiding light in this unprecedented time, you know the way and we ask for you to show us the light so we can follow.

We thank you for your unconditional love.

We know you bring hope Lord, even in the most difficult of times.

We ask that you be with us as we come to terms with our new reality. Amen.

"May the God of all hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him."

Romans 15:13

God bless you all.
Love, Debbie