

For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans Chapter 8 verses 38-39

#### SUNDAY 10th NOVEMBER 2024

10:00 Service of Remembrance – St Michael's Church, Kingsteignton

Eagle and owls do not meet today (No Fellowship Lunch)

#### Prayer chain

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If you are not on the chain at the moment, would like to put things on the prayer chain or would like to be involved please talk to Nat.





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# Please remember this week's diary in your daily prayers

Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	19:30	Leadership Meeting
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	09:00 10:00	Set up for KILTS KILTS
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	19:30	Home Group, Haytor Drive
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>	10:00	Communion Worship Service Eagles & Owls meet

If you have a regular group which meets and you wish to add to the diary prayers, please do let me know – kcbcscribe @hotmail.com



# **Notes for your diary**

- Friday Outing 22<sup>nd</sup> November
- Messy Church 23<sup>rd</sup> November
- Church@Prayer 25<sup>th</sup> November
- Dance Into Advent 30th November
- First Sunday in Advent 1st December
- Craft & Chatter 6th December
- Leadership Meeting 9th December
- Friday Outing Christmas Lunch 13th December

#### **Funeral of Brian Matthews**

It was sad to hear that Brian died last week. Please keep Margaret in your prayers. Brian's funeral will be on Monday 25th November at Ipplepen Methodist Church at 2:00 p.m. followed by refreshments. Please let David know nearer the time if you need a lift.

## From the Minister

Johnny lived round the corner from us. He was a real rough diamond and in his youth was a local tearaway, so he said. When I knew him, he was aging and used a wheelchair. Johnny hated Remembrance Day. He told me he didn't want to remember. It

was awful. He was a foot soldier, and his brigade was sent to Arnhem (the Bridge Too Far) just after it was liberated. But still, every Remembrance Day, he had to put on his medals and was wheeled down to the town service on the High Street. He longed for it to be over.

So who is Remembrance Day for? It has its place as a way of passing on a story, the story of two awful periods in European and world history which still affects us today. It is a story where we are invited not to block out the story. Most of us weren't there but we are given opportunity to empathise with those most affected and share the trauma caused by these wars. That's why we decided to join with the town event at St. Michael's Church and share in an act where together we acknowledge the damage which passes down the generations. And we do it as we call out to the Lord for His Kingdom to come, not ours. A Kingdom of healing and restoration to be the people the Lord always intended us to be.

David



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY  $-10^{TH}$  NOVEMBER - "They shall grow not old, as

we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. We will remember them" - As in recent years, KCBC will not hold a service at the Hall on Remembrance Day, instead we shall join with the town of Kingsteignton in commemorating the act of remembrance. Although the service begins in St Michael's church at 1000hrs, it is advisable to arrive there by 0930hrs as the church quickly fills up.

Please note, that there will be no Fellowship Lunch which had been scheduled for the same day, and the next one will be in January.

Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing" 1 Thess. 5:11



From time to time we all need an extra word of encouragement, a boost or a spiritual hug, so if you have something you'd like to share with the whole fellowship, please do pass it

In response to David's question in the newsletter about how we got on with Hallowe'en, I spent 90 minutes on Zoom with a professional Christian dance company, Springs, who offered a reflective workshop on the theme of light. It was a brilliant antidote to the plethora of pumpkins, witches, and skeletons all over town and a great opportunity to focus on the light of God. At one point we were invited to listen to Malcolm Guite's poem, 'Light of the World,' and use it as a starting point for dance. The words are below and there is also a link to a lovely video of Malcolm reading his poem in the woods at Lee Abbey. As David said, we have left Hallowe'en behind, but the words and theme are equally appropriate as we approach Advent and the coming of the Light. Janet

"I am the light of the world; he who follows Me shall not walk in the darkness but shall have the light of life." John 8:12

I am the Light of the World
I see your world in light that shines behind me,
Lit by a sun whose rays I cannot see,
The smallest gleam of light still seems to find me
Or find the child who's hiding deep inside me.
I see your light reflected in the water,
Or kindled suddenly in someone's eyes,
It shimmers through the living leaves of summer,
Or spills from silver veins in leaden skies,
It gathers in the candles at our vespers
It concentrates in tiny drops of dew
At times it sings for joy, at times it whispers,
But all the time it calls me back to you.
I follow you upstream through this dark night
My saviour, source, and spring, my life and light.

Malcolm Guite

A reflection from Bill - As I woke to the news on Wednesday morning with the election results from the USA, I brought to mind a quotation from a book that a group of us are working through at the moment (Biblical Critical Theory by Christopher Watkin) - '... the cross reminds us that God is an unrivalled expert in bringing unexpected triumphs out of apparent tragedies.'. This was followed by that morning's Thought for the Day by Jennifer Smith who reminded us of Samuel's comments when the people asked for a king - be careful what you wish for.

Then the following morning, in Thursday's Thought for the Day, Rhidian Brook went back to Daniel and Nebuchadnezzar's dream, and he commented on how it was necessary to have a 'timely perspective on who is really running things. It's the perspective of a God whose kingdom reach is not limited to the whims of a particular ruler, or a particular group or political affiliation, but extends to all people whatever their class, race, gender, or nation.'.

Keeping a Kingdom perspective seems more vital than ever.

Lord, we give thanks for the changing of the seasons, all the creation of your hands. As we move through the autumn and into the winter months we observe how the natural beauty of our countryside moves and shifts into hibernation or simply a slowing down, where birds fly south to warmer climates and trees shed their leaves and our days become shorter. Lord we pray that our connection with you does not go into hibernation, slow down or fly off but rather that this season allows us an opportunity to sit for longer in your presence, to be still and clearly hear your voice calling to us and that we hear and obey.

Thank you father that here in our community we may gather freely to express our love and praise for you, that we can speak your name without fear and that we can share your Gospel and not expect imprisonment. We are acutely aware that this is not the case for so many of our brothers and sisters in Christ around the world - whether due to suppression of religious freedoms or the very real threat of personal or community violence. We ask for your protection and peace in these dark places - places where the darkness has not overcome the light.

We continue to pray for the people affected by conflict and war in Ukraine, Russia, Israel, Gaza, Lebanon, and Iran and call upon

your Spirit to bring peace to these areas. We ask you to heal those broken in body and spirit and to bring hope to all your beloved children.

We ask these things in the name of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, the great redeemer, Amen.

Christian's Against Poverty (CAP) – We both attend regular Prayer Meetings for CAP, organised by Tim Wigley, the Teignbridge Debt Coach. At a recent meeting, Tim gave out an information flyer, in respect of supporting the local Debt Centre, of which Michael Trigg is the Treasurer. Specifically CAP is seeking financial support to help keep our Debt Centre running - it needs £1,600 per month to achieve this. Additionally, Tim said that there is a real need for helpers in the Newton Abbot area, as quite a large proportion of clients come from here, so he is actively seeking any help which you might feel able to give. We can put you in touch with Tim if you feel led by The Lord to get involved. It is very worthwhile! Thank you. Steve & Mary



### THANK YOU

Thank you to all those who prepared shoeboxes and donated clothing, toys,

toiletries, and money.

Nick and Sarah's car was full to bursting when they took it all to the warehouse on Wednesday.



Here are some photos of our donations and the warehouse in Exmouth where everything is checked and sorted by the unsung heroes at the warehouse ready to be loaded.

All of this had arrived in the hour that the warehouse had been open before we arrived.







Just a few of the of the checked, bagged shoeboxes ready to be sent!

Nick and Sarah will be going to the warehouse on the first Wednesday of next month please continue to bring any items you have to church.

If you would like any more information or have anything to donate please talk to Nick or Sarah. Thank you for your continued support, we know it makes a difference.

Christian Dance Fellowship of Britain - On Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November, 0930-1200, at Teignmouth Hub, CDFB are holding 'Dance into Advent', a free taster session encouraging all abilities - for those who would like to explore dance and dancers who want to move for God. Refreshments are provided. For more information please see Janet or email devon-cornwall@cdfb.org.uk

<u>KingsCare Warm Space</u> - Running now until April 2025. Everyone is welcome to join in, there is no charge, and the session includes a free cuppa and biscuits, chat, games, information about local community services and support, and advice on benefit support and energy, if required.

Important details - No need to book, 2pm until 4pm in the Mary Hall Suite, Community Hall, and free to all.

**The Travelling Nativity** – if you have been kindly making Crowns to place in this year's Travelling Nativity please could you bring them along to the service on 17<sup>th</sup> November and give to a member of the KILTS' team – Many thanks!

### Kingsteignton Town Council's Coffee Afternoon & Carols Around the

**Tree** On Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December, there will be a Community Coffee Afternoon with Christmas Craft Workshop at 1600hrs – with free refreshments provided. At 1800hrs there will be an opportunity to join in with Carols Around the Tree in the Community Hall grounds. These are FREE events and welcoming to all ages. Please note: Information regarding future Community Coffee Morning dates will be provided shortly by the Council.

#### How to join the Sunday Service via Zoom'.

- 1. Go onto the internet and type kcbchurch.org.uk
- 2. On the Home Page in the top right-hand corner is a green bar and on it is written "online service" with an arrow.
- 3. Click on the green bar/arrow and you'll go straight to the video.
- 4. Either press play or it will automatically start playing.

