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Live Worship at Trinity each Sunday, with Services also Zoomed.

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Trinity E-News is also available on our Basingstoke & Reading Website.

I really look forward to receiving your lovely pieces, so do please keep them coming.

A Big Thankyou to everyone who has sent in items. Articles can be emailed or posted.

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Circuit – Methodist Podcast featuring Revd Chris Evans regarding his trip to the Ukraine – found here:

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/about-us/news/podcasts/the-methodist-podcast-episode-81-homes-for-ukraine/>

June 2022

Dear Friends,

We have come to the end of Eastertide on 29th May, the Sunday after *Ascension Day* (Thursday 26th May): Luke told us in Acts 1:6, 8 that when they had come together, the disciples asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" Jesus said to them, "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

The disciples' minds were still focused on Israel. Jesus gently told them to prepare for a worldwide mission, for the power of the Spirit is as wide as the ocean, and cannot be confined to Jerusalem and the surrounding neighbourhoods.

On Sunday 5th June, we will celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. This language of outpouring in both John 7:37-39 and Acts 2:17-18, suggests drinking in the Spirit in a way that is both energizing and delightful. The Jewish festival of weeks, the first fruits of the wheat harvest was called Pentecost or Fiftieth because it took place 50 days after Passover (Ex 34:22). By Jesus' time, Pentecost was a celebration of God's descending in the thunder and lightning that shook Mt Sinai in the giving of the Ten Commandments (Ex 19:16-19). So the coming of the Spirit, when the day of Pentecost was fully come (Acts 2:1), signifies God's coming again into the world, with power likened to wind and fire, this time giving of the Spirit, as prophesied by Joel and Jeremiah.

In John 7, Jesus is in Jerusalem for the Feast of Tabernacles (Sukkot), also called, Feast of Booths, or Feast of the Ingathering. This is a great feast in the Jewish year, celebrating the completion of the harvest and commemorating God's goodness to his people during the wilderness wandering. The Feast of Tabernacles derived its name from the leafy shelters in which people lived throughout the seven days of the feast. In Exodus, Sukkot is agricultural in nature – the "Feast of Ingathering at the year's end" {Exodus 34:22} – and marks the end of the,

harvest time – the agricultural year. In Leviticus, Sukkot has a religious significance that commemorates the Exodus and Israel's dependence on God {Leviticus 23:33-43}.

The Feast of Tabernacles (Sukkot) also includes a water libation, which is the ceremony of carrying water from the Pool of Siloam and pouring it into a silver basin by the altar of burnt offering, each day for the first seven days. On the eighth day, this was not done, thereby, making Jesus' offer of the water of eternal life extraordinary. On the eighth day of this great feast, Jesus says "Let the one who believes in me drink...", thereby, suggesting that he is the source of living water. The outpouring of water consequently, becomes the icon of the Spirit who is to come and fill and refresh the disciples.

Although we do not fully comprehend the events that happened on that specific Pentecost morning – whatever happened produced clear results seen in the change that came over the disciples. The imagery of wind suggests that new life was breathed into the disciples. The imagery of fire suggests that the disciples were given new vision and power.

The point of Pentecost however, is not so much the offer of a new spiritual experience, as much as it is, the declaration of a new spiritual reality. God's history with the world has turned its decisive corner. Each one can know God, in Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit. "This is the new covenant I will make... says the LORD. I will put my instructions deep within them, and I will write them on their hearts... (Jeremiah 31:33)." This time, instead of giving the law on tablets of stone, God has poured his laws into his people's hearts. Luke, the writer of Acts, certainly intends for his readers to understand that God has again graciously come to his people.

Like the first disciples who could not see

beyond their immediate vicinity, we humans seemingly have an inbuilt desire to try to confine God, but God refuses to be limited. Jesus has ascended to the Father, yet he sends his Spirit to be here with us on earth.

This Pentecost may each one of us know the risen and exalted Lord in our hearts!

*A blessing for Pentecost: by Janet Morley,
All Desires Known (2005)*

May the God who dances in creation,
who embraces us with human love,
who shakes our lives like thunder,
bless us and drive us out with power
to fill the world with her justice. **Amen**

Revd Audrey D Browne

Packed lunches are back in style

With food prices soaring, who needs a bought sandwich or salad? They can cost nearly £8 a day from LEON or Pret or other food outlets. Instead, it seems we are investing in plastic food containers (*John Lewis reports sales are up 64 per cent on last year*) and taking our own lunches to work and for a day out. As one cookery blogger explains, "You can't reduce your council tax, but you can make little savings on everyday meals, which add up to a significant difference." "It's 'cool' these days to take a packed lunch with you," says Suzanne Mulholland, author of *The Batch Lady: Shop Once. Cook Once. Eat Well All Week*. "Being organised and prepared is seen as a good thing." As for coffee: buying a £3 cappuccino every day adds up to £1,095 a year. Far cheaper to fill a flask at home and take it with you. *P Pump*

The Church of England has offered these two prayers for use during the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, (P Pump)

Your Servant Elizabeth

*Gracious God, we give You thanks
for the reign of Your servant
Elizabeth our Queen,*

*and for the example of loving and faithful
service which she has shown among us.
Help us to follow her example of dedication and
to commit our lives to You and to one another,
through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.*

Have you Seen Our Missing Vase ??



Vases We Use in Church – “One of our Special Vases is Missing.

We had a pair of **Black Vases** that we used a lot in Church as they were easy to handle and not too heavy.

However, one of them is Missing.

If you know of its whereabouts,
Please can you return it.

The Vase is a Bowl on a Plinth
and the pair were used many times
so you may remember them.

Many thanks,” **Sue Doust**

A Prayer of St Columba:

Christ With Us
My dearest Lord,
Be Thou a bright flame before me,
Be Thou a guiding star above me,
Be Thou a smooth path beneath me,
Be Thou a kindly shepherd behind me,
Today and evermore.

Your Servant Elizabeth

*O Lord, the Way, the Truth,
and the Life,
We give You thanks for Your servant
Elizabeth our Queen.
May she ever be provided with all she
may need for her ministry among us,
strengthened to meet every demand
which her office may make,
and in all things nourished by
Your Word and example,
who with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
live and reign, world without end,
Amen.*

Sunday Worship at Trinity & the Basingstoke Churches

Below is the plan for Worship for May & June 2022 for our Basingstoke Churches. Live Sunday Worship continues at Trinity each Sunday Morning with Services also Zoomed. **Enquiries:** please contact Diane Bath on: ☎: 01256 320429 or by email at: diane bath51@gmail.com Thank you.



Basingstoke & Reading Circuit Plan June to August 2022 (Basingstoke Churches – June)

Dates	5 June	12 June	19 June	26 June
Trinity 10.30 am	Revd Audrey D Browne, S	LA, Mrs Ann Walker	LA, Steward Team	Revd Audrey D Browne
Kempshott 10.30 am	Revd Martin Beukes, S	Mr Jonathan Skeet, Zoom	Mrs Sarah Whithorn, Zoom	Revd Jackie Case, Zoom
Oakley 10.30 am	Bible Month	Revd Audrey D Browne, S	Mr Chris Marsh	Bible Month
Oakridge 11.00 am	Revd D Jenkins, S	Mrs Denise Baugh	Mr Peter Frank	Revd Valerie Fisher
Old Basing 10.30 am	Revd Valerie Fisher, CA	Mrs Sarah Whithorn	Mrs Denise Baugh	Revd David Jenkins, S
St Andrew's 10.30 am	LA	Mrs June Hardcastle, P	Revd Audrey D Browne, S	Mr Symon Turner

Basingstoke & Reading Circuit Plan June to August 2022 (Basingstoke Churches – July)

Dates	3 July	10 July	17 July	24 July	31 July
Trinity 10.30 am	Mrs Anne Rowe	Revd Audrey D Browne, S	Joint Service at St Andrew's	LA, Mr Peter Ansell	LA, Mrs Anne Rowe
Kempshott 10.30 am	Revd Martin Beukes, S	LA / Bible Month	LA / Bible Month	LA / Bible Month	LA / Bible Month
Oakley 10.30 am	Bible Month	Bible Month	Revd Audrey D Browne, S	Mr Stephen Appiah	Mrs Sarah Whithorn
Oakridge 11.00 am	Revd David Jenkins, S	LA / Bible Month	LA / Bible Month	LA / Bible Month	LA / Bible Month
Old Basing 10.30 am	Revd Valerie Fisher	LA / Bible Month	Revd David Jenkins, S	LA / Bible Month	Mrs Denise Baugh
St Andrew's 10.30 am	Revd Audrey D Browne, S	Revd Valerie Fisher	Mrs Linda Hoe, Joint Service at St Andrew's with Trinity	Revd Audrey D Browne	LA / Bible Month

'Jesus And Me' ! (JAM)

'JAM' meets next from
2.30 pm – 4.30 pm
on the following Sundays:

5 June & 3 July



Children & Families meet in the Lounge, usually on the 1st Sunday of the month, to hear stories of Jesus, craft, singing and tea.

Some of what we do on a Sunday afternoon is often displayed in the foyer area at Church for all of us to see.

**All are very welcome.
Do come along and join us.**

Advance Notice – A Date for your Diaries

Thursday 7 July

MHA are having a Jubilee Tea at St Andrews.

Please put the date in your diary. More details in the next issue.

Recycle Your Old Spectacles



You can **Recycle** your old spectacles at **Leighton's Opticians**, Church Street, Basingstoke, in liaison with the Basingstoke Lions Club.

SOME DATES for June & July

- **JAM:** Sundays 5 June & 3 July, 2.30 pm – 4.30 pm at Trinity, page 5
- **Trinity Circle's:** next meeting is on Tuesday 14 June at 7.30 pm in the Lounge, page 5.
- **Worship Meeting:** Tuesday 14 June at 2 pm in the Lounge.
- **Annual Church Meeting:** Sunday 26 June after the Morning Service.
- **Church Council Meeting:** Thursday 7 July at 2 pm in the Lounge
- **Advance notice – Thursday 7 July** – MHA are having a Jubilee Tea at St Andrews. Please put the date in your diary. More details in the next issue, **page 5.**

The Northern Housegroup

The Northern Housegroup are looking for new members and would welcome new members to join them.

They meet on the **first Tuesday of the month at 7.30 pm**, either in the lounge or at someone's home.

If you would like to know more about the Northern Housegroup, you can speak to either: **Sonia Jones, Edna Rawlins or Hilary Reed.**

TRINITY CIRCLE

Our Next Meeting will be on:

Tuesday 14 June at 7.30 pm in the Lounge –

"We're all going on a summer holiday". This is a Members' Evening. We are asking members to bring a photo along of their favourite holiday and tell us about it. Also to bring a piece of music relating to this holiday. Margaret Hayes can download the music if you let her know in good time before our meeting.

Trinity Circle is open to Everyone and we look forward to seeing you. Sonia

Useful Trinity & Other Contacts, Phone Numbers & Emails:

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Our Church Office is Open 1 morning a week,
usually on Wednesdays.

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With all the anxiety around at the moment, Psalm 143 is helpful when it comes to seeking God in prayer, it literally is a cry to God to 'incline His ear to us'...Nigel Beeton

Hear our Prayer

O hear our prayer, dear Father, to us incline Your ear! O righteous, loving Father, allow us to draw near; with heartfelt supplications,

Covid-19 and Trinity Church

Thank you all for your cooperation over more than two years as we have tried to avoid spreading the Covid-19 virus amongst ourselves as we have met for services at Trinity.

It's my belief that the measures that have been in place have been largely successful in avoiding issues. Sadly, there have been a couple of instances including one recently, when Covid-19 has spread around those present.

I realise that many of you would like to see the restrictions lifted, and we have started to do that, allowing masks to be removed whilst seated and not singing. We hope that we will be able to remove the remaining restrictions soon, as the case numbers in the Borough are continuing to drop, but I would ask for your patience for a little longer.

The recent incident of Covid-19 spreading at a service in the building shows that there is still a significant risk that we must address.

Thank you,

Tony Pitt

we seek Your loving grace, with earnest Intercessions, we come to seek Your face. Your kindness ev'ry morning, we trust we'll find in prayer, we lift our hands before You, we reach out for Your care; O teach us, Father, teach us, Your gentle, loving way, for You alone are able to guide us every day.

Colour Perception - A Personal View!

BBC South Today recently broadcast an item looking at Colour Blindness in children in our schools raising focus on an issue that affects around 1 in 12 boys, and 1 in 200 girls – this seems to have arisen out of preparations towards the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

I am one of those with colour blindness, as was my Father, and is my youngest brother! It is a trait that seems to skip alternate generations in our family.

I wasn't diagnosed as being colour blind until I applied to join the army at the age of 16 – I was hoping to go in the Royal Medical Corps as perhaps a laboratory technician but that was well and truly scuppered by a green light bulb! The light looked white to me and my career in the army took a totally different path into the Royal Corps of Signals instead!

My Father was much older when he was diagnosed as colour blind – he had been working in a signal box on the railway for some years when they started to move away from semaphore signals to using coloured lights! His career moved from the signal box to being a time-keeper at the station!

Joining the Royal Signals led to my meeting a lad called Gordon Ayres, who in turn asked if anyone would like to write (as a pen-pal) to a girl called Angela Clinton, which as you may guess led to our marriage some years later, and eventually brought us to Basingstoke with IBM and to Trinity Methodist Church.

Returning to the topic of being colour blind – I do see colours but not necessarily the same as everyone else, and I have real difficulty in seeing coloured text when there is little contrast employed.

Some people may be able to read red text on a black background for example, but that may as well be invisible for me! High contrast is important for anyone who is colour blind! Light coloured text on a light background is again invisible even though the colours themselves may be different and readable by any persons with normal colour vision!

Just a couple of final comments to head off the obvious questions that are asked: I do see traffic lights and have learnt to recognise the correct sequence. Purple looks like blue to me. Brown like red. Pink like white. (The latter from snooker colours – again learnt when they are in their correct places on the table!). Vibrant primary colours do tend to be recognisable but it is the myriad of colour shades that really flummox me! The colours I wear are chosen because I like them regardless of whether 'they go' or not!

Steve Smith



A Prayer for June 2022, by Daphne Kitching, (Parish Pump)

Heavenly Father, Thank you for the beauty of the world you created,
so evident in this lovely month of June.

We bring before you, in prayer, those events going on in the world which are so difficult to understand. We pray for all your children who are suffering in any way,
especially those affected by war.

Please, Lord, comfort them, assure them of your presence – and deliver them from evil.

May we appreciate each day which you have made. Help us to rejoice and be glad in the gift of each new day – and to trust you for all our tomorrows,
knowing that in you alone is our security. In Jesus' name, Amen



How do I contact a Chaplain?

Email us:

admin@basingstoketownchaplaincy.org.uk

use the contact form on our website:

www.basingstoketownchaplaincy.org.uk

or call the office on

01256 842232

Opening hours

Tuesday and Wednesday mornings
9am - 1pm

Answerphone at other times



Our aim is to serve the people of Basingstoke as a team of Chaplains who express God's love by visiting workplaces and the community, providing support and encouragement

Cast all your anxiety on God because he cares for you.

1 Peter 5:7



Basingstoke Town Chaplaincy is a Registered Charity No: 1160005
Suite 1, Paddington House, Festival Place,
Basingstoke, RG21 7LJ

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What is a Chaplain?

Chaplains are Christians but love to speak with anyone of any faith or none. They can be recognised by their uniform.

Chaplains are trained to get alongside people where they are, and help them cope with whatever challenges they are facing in their lives, for example:

- stress at work
- difficult personal situations
- bereavement

Chaplains do not evangelise, but provide a confidential listening ear and support for people who want to talk to them.

Chaplains can point people to other organisations that may be able to help with their personal situation.

Chaplains can answer questions about what Christians believe and help people explore their Christian faith. They can put people in touch with a local church or Christian fellowship should they wish.

The Chaplaincy is an independent, registered charity and all the Chaplains are volunteers.

What can a Chaplain do for you?

We care about your well-being, and are regularly out and about in the town.
We can:

- provide you with a confidential and impartial listening ear.
- point you towards the right agencies if you need help (e.g. citizens advice, crisis centres).
- pray with you (or for you) if you have a specific need or concern.
- provide information about churches or other faiths in your area.

If you need to talk, we want to listen.



Some real life stories...

Ann was unwell, afraid of needing an operation. A chaplain in the surgery listened and talked to her, calming her fears.

Jamir's colleague had died suddenly and he was in shock. A chaplain was there to share his grief, remember his colleague and reflect on life. Others in the office were also supported during a traumatic time for them all.

Steve had been drawn into stealing and was now distraught at having to face a magistrate. A chaplain was there for him to talk to and stand with him through this ordeal. Two years later he said the meeting helped him to turn his life around.

Jill and Kyra were under great pressure in the shop because fewer customers came so they were expected to do more work and feared that they would lose their jobs. They needed someone to talk to; a chaplain walked through the door with time to listen and help them reflect.

Names have been changed



Basingstoke Town Chaplaincy

Many of you will know about the Basingstoke Town Chaplaincy, *see our brochure on the previous page or visit our website at: www.basingstoketownchaplaincy.org.uk*

We are always on the lookout for more Chaplains - who are usually ordinary people who feel called to talk and listen to others, for example in shops, in the courts, at the bus and railway stations.

As a result of my links with the Abbey Court Care Home in Popley, we've become aware of the need for people in Care Homes to be able to talk and listen. But in order to do that we need to expand our Chaplaincy team. The role is not really evangelism, but an opportunity to help people understand the Christian faith as far as they wish - or not!

We also have a more specific role of needing an Assistant Treasurer. Our Treasurer has been doing the job for a very long time and is feeling his age, so would like someone else to step in with the ultimate intention of taking over in due course. The job is not onerous - we are a very low budget organisation which survives on goodwill.

So if anyone is interested in either becoming a Chaplain or the Assistant Treasurer role I'd be happy to talk.

Needless to say, we also welcome financial donations from churches or individuals. Our running costs are low but we do need funds in order to carry on.

With best wishes,

Ian Harrison

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- **Be sticky** – Consider the postage stamp. Its usefulness consists in its ability to stick to one thing until it gets there.
- **Worn out?** Come in for a Service! (*found outside a church*)
- **Don't fool me** – A three-year-old put his shoes on by himself. His mother noticed the left was on the right foot. She said, "Sam, your shoes are on the wrong feet." He looked up at her and said, "Don't kid me, Mum, I KNOW they're my feet."
- **Languages** – The ability to speak several languages is an asset, but to be able to hold your tongue in one language is priceless – Anon.



#smalltalk with Revd David Shaw:

Wesley Methodist Church YouTube channel has a series of small videos (46 as of counting) presented by Revd David Shaw which are between 3 – 4 minutes long. The latest two are about Prayer and Christian Aid. These can be found here and are highly recommended.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWw6jNpYWu4z52t760p7UJg/videos>

Those Wee Small Hours

For some of us, they are not small hours. They stretch on through the night.

Long hours, often of fear, of doubt, of waiting, and sometimes of pain.

We see the hands on the clock going round, and we pray for the dawn. We may feel alone, but we are not. For some this is a regular occurrence. Others may sleep soundly, we hear their snores perhaps, and we sigh.

God is there, right beside us, he promised to be with us.

These hours are usually between midnight, and 4 am. We comment we did not sleep, but this is largely untrue. Eventually we nod off, exhausted, to sleep.

Wee is the reference to our need to visit the toilet, to spend a penny.

It is interesting to note the way we spend these hours, or minutes for some fortunate folk.

When I was on holiday in Australia several years ago, the hostess had a very large wall clock in the bedroom. It ticked mercilessly. I laid there awake, thinking about the time difference of the folk back in the UK. What were they doing? Feeling homesick, and a dreadful long way away from them, I longed for daybreak.

I asked a friend recently, who I know doesn't sleep well, 'What do you do.'?

She said, 'I talk to God, and I listen to his voice.' It reminded me of the hymn lines about Eli, and the child Samuel in the temple. '*And what from Eli's sense was sealed. The Lord to Hannah's son revealed.*'

Some of us would get up to make a cup of tea. Others read a book. In hospitals, often noisy places at night, life goes on.

So, from sheep supposedly jumping over hedges all night, and needing our mathematical skill to count them, we come to the gentle lullaby the mother sings to her infant, (and some of us remember those nights with the tearful child) we come to the peace, God's peace, as we thank our Heavenly Father, for the gift of sleep.

God bless you,

Margaret Garland



Christian Aid spends £8m from British people to help Ukraine

The international development agency, Christian Aid, will spend £8m on vital supplies over the next six months to help the Ukrainian people.

The money comes from donations to DEC, the Disasters Emergency Committee, that has raised more than £300m for Ukraine. That's around £3 on average donated by every person in the UK.

Through its local partners, Christian Aid has already provided medical supplies, first aid kits, baby incubators as well as food and shelter for refugees in Ukraine and Hungary. (*Parish Pump*)

High Days & Holy Days – 4 June, St Petroc, the Founder of Padstow

If you would like to be in Cornwall this summer in search of peace and quiet, Petroc is the saint for you. Especially if you ever find Padstow a bit too crowded for your liking! He would have sympathised.

This 6th century abbot is Cornwall's most famous saint. Petroc set sail from South Wales, landed at Haylemouth, and founded a monastery at Lanwethinoc – now called Padstow, after him (Petroc's Stow).

Padstow must have been popular even in those days, because about 30 years later Petroc, in search of some peace and quiet, moved on to build another monastery at Little Petherick (Nanceventon). Here he must have decided to try some 6th century equivalent of 'Fresh Expressions', because he engaged with his local community by building a mill and a chapel.

In time, Petroc began feeling crowded again. So, he tramped off to the remote wilds of Bodmin Moor, where he lived as a hermit – until some 12 monks turned up to join him. Firmly, Petroc kept them all housed in a monastery on a hilltop, while he enjoyed his private space in a cell by the river.

But even here Petroc was not alone. One day a terrified stag came rushing through the woods, pursued by the hunt. Petroc flung open the door of his cell, and the panting animal took refuge. When the huntsmen arrived on the scene, they did not dare to argue with the famous holy man, and instead went their way. The stag's gratitude made him tame, and Petroc would come to be portrayed with a stag as his special emblem.

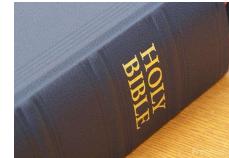
Petroc was buried in the monastery in Padstow but in c.1000 his shrine and relics, including his staff and bell, were translated to Bodmin. Here they have stayed ever since, except for a short, unplanned trip to Brittany in 1177, when they were stolen and carted off by a naughty Canon of the Church. Henry II intervened, and everything but a rib of Petroc was eventually returned.

(Parish Pump)



Helping to support the Church in Ukraine (Parish Pump)

War in Ukraine: Appeal for more Bibles



The Bible Society is appealing for funds to send more Bibles to Ukraine. It says that Christians in the UK "can speak hope" into the crisis by providing Ukrainian pastors and churches with more Bibles with which to share "the love and power of God's Word."

Oleksandr, who leads the Bible Society team in Ukraine, tells the story: "A few days ago, a pastor visited our office, asking for Bibles. When he heard that we had none left, he pleaded for Bibles that were damaged or even copies with pages missing. He said,

'These Bibles would be of immense value to my congregation and the community!' It was heart-breaking. "God's Word can help bring comfort, peace, and reconciliation to our nation. We long for more Bibles."

Details at: <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/get-involved/donate/>

My Life Story - Martin Frost

The Today program on BBC Radio 4 recently gave us the challenge of writing "**My Life Story**" in 400 words, to pass on to friends and family. Here is My Story. Why don't you write yours?



I was born in the mid-1940s, right at the end of the Second World War, when the country was moving into a new era of peace and social development. We had a new National Health Service available to all, and our post war schools were well organised giving good educational opportunities irrespective of class or wealth.

We lived in Hythe, Hampshire, a lovely village on the Solent opposite the international Port of Southampton, and bordering the New Forest, an area of outstanding natural beauty. I cannot imagine, even today, a more pleasant and peaceful area in which to spend the formative years of my life.

My Mum and Dad were wonderful hardworking parents, who when married had moved down from London before the War in search of a new and better life. They were devoted parents in bringing up myself and my two older siblings, Ann and Stephen. The opportunities I had in My Life's Journey were due to the sacrifices my parents made during these formative years. I cannot thank them enough.

I had a good Christian education as Dad was a Church Warden and local preacher, and Mum a wonderful loving mother. After completing grammar school, I joined Esso Petroleum, who sponsored me through a BSc Engineering course.

I now felt I was equipped for my Life's Journey, what I called the Adventure of Life. The World was my oyster. As a single person I travelled to and worked in Zambia in Africa, and travelled and explored the adjacent East African countries. I returned to England and married, but shortly after returned to Africa, this time South Africa for 20 years where my amazing and loving wife Llyn and I raised our two wonderful Christian daughters, Heather and Jasmine. I am blessed with three grandchildren, now completing their education.

Llyn and I are now very happily retired and living in Hampshire in UK, not far from my birthplace. During my life I had the opportunity to travel and work in a great many diverse countries, with contrasting political, cultural, social, and religious systems. The opportunity also to make enduring friendships. In addition to Africa, these included Pakistan, Israel, Hong Kong, South Korea, Iran, Saudi Arabia, and Egypt.

My technical education gave me these opportunities, but far more importantly my Christian Faith gave me the love, guidance, support and protection I needed to openly live my Faith in these sometimes autocratic countries with limited religious tolerance. Without my relationship with the Holy Spirit, beginning those many years ago in my youth, my Life's Story would not have been the Adventure that I have experienced, and continue to experience to this day.

Martin Frost, 19th May 2022

A Great Idea. Would anyone like to pick up the BBC Radio 4 Challenge of 'My Life Story in 400 words'? It would be good to receive some more 'Life Stories', Hazel, Ed

I was reminded of Hilary's piece, May newsletter, where 'People were called to the front of the Church to give testimonies of what God had done in their lives that week', each person being given a long, lit match to hold and only allowed to speak whilst the match burned'.

Canon Paul Hardingham Praises an Outstanding Monarch (P Pump)

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

This month we celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. She is the longest reigning monarch in British history. Up until recently she attended church every week and still did a full week's work at the age of 96!

It is her commitment to serving God and the nation which stands out in her life. Even before she became Queen, she made a promise, which she has kept for over 75 years: '**I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service**' (**21st birthday broadcast, 21 April 1947**).

What is the secret of the Queen's consistency of character and service? In 2002 she said this: "**I know just how much I rely on my faith to guide me through the good times and the bad. Each day is a new beginning. I know that the only way to live my life is to try to do what is right, to take the long view, to give of my best in all that the day brings, and to put my trust in God.**"

These are wise words from somebody who draws her strength from the Christian Faith and can inspire all of us who want to make our lives count!

The Queen has been an example of joyful, wise, and generous service on behalf of others all her life. Six months before her coronation she asked the nation and Commonwealth to "**pray that God may give me wisdom and strength to carry out the solemn promises I shall be making, and that I may faithfully serve Him and you, all the days of my life.**" Paul urges us to pray for all in authority, "**that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.**" (1 Timothy 2:2).

Father's Day –19 June (Parish Pump)

How do these special days ever get started, anyway?

Well, Father's Day began because way back in 1909.

There was a woman in Spokane, Washington, named Sonora Louise Smart Dodd. That year she heard a church sermon about the merits of setting aside a day to honour one's mother. Mother's Day was just beginning to gather widespread attention in the United States at this time. But Sonora Louise Smart Dodd knew that it was her father who had selflessly raised herself and her five siblings by himself after their mother had died in childbirth. So the sermon on mothers gave Sonora Louise the idea to petition for a day to honour fathers, and in particular, her own father, William Jackson Smart.

Sonora Louise soon set about planning the first Father's Day celebration in Spokane in 1910. With support from the Spokane Ministerial Association and the YMCA, her efforts paid off, and a 'Father's Day' was appointed. Sonora Louise had wanted Father's Day to be on the first Sunday in June (*since that was her father's birthday*), but the city council didn't have time to approve it until later in the month. And so on 19 June 1910, the first Father's Day was celebrated in Spokane.

Gradually, other people in other cities caught on and started celebrating their fathers, too. The rose was selected as the official Father's Day flower. Some people began to wear a white rose to honour a father who was dead, and a red one to honour a father who was living. Finally, in 1972, President Richard Nixon signed a presidential proclamation declaring the third Sunday of June as Father's Day – a permanent, national holiday.



**With Pentecost, the Birthday of the Church, in mind,
and all that, that means, we have.....**

The U in JesUs

Before U were thought of or time had begun, God even stuck U in the name of His Son.

And each time U pray, you'll see it's true you can't spell out JesUs and not include U.

You're a pretty big part of His wonderful name, for U, He was born; that's why He came.

And His great love for U is the reason He died. It even takes U to spell crUcified.

Isn't it thrilling and splendidly grand He rose from the dead, with U in His plan?

The stones split away, the gold trUmpet blew, and this word resUrrection is spelled with a U.

When JesUs left earth at His upward ascension,

He felt there was one thing He just had to mention.

"Now go into the world and tell them it's true that the love I have shown is not just for U."

So many great people are spelled with a U, don't they have a right to know JesUs too?

It all depends now on what U will do, He'd like them to know, but it all starts with U.

Author unknown (Parish Pump)

Apple's First iPhone



Just 15 years ago, on 29 June 2007, Apple released the first iPhone. From the original concept of an efficient, easy-to-use, slick mobile phone, it transformed by the time of its creation into what was described by Brian Merchant, author of *The One Device*, as the "primary platform for thousands of apps offering streaming music and video, real-time video chat, addictive video games and virtual and augmented reality experiences". **Steve Jobs, founder of Apple**, called the iPhone a "revolutionary and magical product" that "fits beautifully into the palm of your hand". Five years after its debut, more than 200 million had been sold. Merchant calls it a "culturally dominant, world-eating phenomenon".

From the outset, the iPhone was hugely popular, with queues forming for hours outside Apple stores in both Europe and America on its release. In addition, **Jobs** provided an iPhone free to all his employees.

To some Christians, the Apple logo is disturbing, suggesting that eating the fruit in Eden opened the door to enlightenment – **Jobs** was a devotee of Eastern mysticism. While Christianity offers faith and hope, they suggest that Apple offers a convenient life, enabled through technology.

Other Christians, however, point out that Apple technology has enabled the Gospel to be widely heard and, in many senses, seen. FaceTime through the iPhone also made a dramatic and positive difference to people's lives under lockdown.

Tim Lenton, Community Reporter, Parish Pump

- Some friends play at 'friendship' but a 'true friend' sticks closer than a brother. (*Proverbs 18.24*).

'Friend' is a big word not a small word; 'friendship' is a gift and a blessing.

From 'the Top Ten Proverbs for Twitter & Facebook'

Some Simple Tricks to Save Energy, Money & the Planet

The on-going rise in energy costs is eye-watering.

Here are some well-proven ways to save Money & the Planet:

- Always turn off the lights when you leave a room. Forget about maintaining an ‘ambience’ in your home.
- Turn down your thermostat by at least a degree. Or two. Or three?
- Get some LED bulbs – they are six times more efficient, last much longer, and use 90% less energy than old-style bulbs.
- Shower rather than bath. Don’t worry about a bit of dirt on your children. It can strengthen their immune systems and help prevent them from becoming allergic to everything.
- Don’t boil the kettle all the time – it eats up about 6% of all your electricity per year. Consider making a pot rather than a mug, so that you drink as much overall, but less often?
- Make a draught excluder – you know, the ones that look like sausage dogs. Don’t turn up the heat to combat a draught, fix the draught.
- Keep doors closed. If you don’t need to heat your WHOLE house, don’t.
- Put more clothes on. We all know people who like to wear only tee-shirts at home, even in winter. If they belong to your family, get them to put on a jumper, cuddle the dog, wrap up in a blanket, or run up and down the stairs, not turn up the heating.
- Set your washing machine at 30°. Washing at 30° rather than 40° can reduce your energy consumption by 60% per cycle, according to the energy experts.
- Use your electric clothes dryer less. It can account for 5% of all household electricity. Far cheaper to buy a washing line!
- Use your oven only when you can fill it up. Never cook just one thing at a time. And when you are done, leave the oven door open to help heat the house.
- All of these are small steps, but together they could make a big difference this year.

(Parish Pump)



UNICEF is 75 Years Old – UNICEF Across the Years

Founded in 1946 to meet the emergency needs of children in post-war Europe, China and the Middle East, they feed 5 million children in 12 countries.

1950 they widened their remit to include children everywhere.

1965 UNICEF received the Nobel Peace Prize for their work in liberating hundreds of millions of children from ignorance, disease, malnutrition and starvation.

1970 UNICEF pioneered the training of volunteers in local communities to help meet children’s basic needs.

2004 UNICEF’s recovery work after the Indian Ocean Tsunami supported up to 3.5 million people and led to stronger health, education, protection and sanitation services, earthquake resistant schools and better disaster readiness.

2011 UNICEF is one of the few agencies working inside Syria and begins working to help children affected by conflict.

2020 UNICEF responds to the Coronavirus pandemic, and began the work of supplying billions of covid-19 vaccines to key workers around the world.

Some More of the Ministries from around Basingstoke

Community Foodlink



Community Food Link, c/o URC Church, London Street, Basingstoke, RG21 7NU UK
[Website contact@bcfd.org.uk](mailto:contact@bcfd.org.uk) (Main)

Community Food Link collects fresh, nutritious food that cannot be sold from our partner supermarkets and our volunteers sort and repack it. Then we deliver it to our distribution partners, charities, schools and play groups so they can help the most vulnerable in our society by giving them wholesome and healthy food for themselves and their families.

Basingstoke Street Pastors



Street Pastors Basingstoke are part of a national team first pioneered in 2003, and Street Pastors continues to grow throughout the UK and across the world.

Trained Volunteers – Street pastors are trained volunteers from local churches who care about their community.

On Patrol – Basingstoke Street Pastors are usually on patrol from 10 pm to 4 am on a Friday or Saturday night to care for, listen to and help people who are out on the streets.

Well Supported – They are led by their local coordinator and they also have support from local churches and community groups in partnership with the police, local council and other statutory agencies.

Our Ministry – Our teams go out with pockets full of lollipops, and have a member carrying a bag of flip-flops. It is amazing how offering lollipops to a person can build a relationship and gives a well needed sugar boost. Girls, having consumed too much drink, and who are unable to balance on their high-heeled shoes, appreciate the offer of a free pair of flip-flops to make their journey home much more comfortable.

The Response – The response that Street Pastors Basingstoke have received from the regulars in the bars, clubs, passers-by, door staff and the police has been very positive. We have been made very welcome. We make it clear to people that we are not about preaching, but offering practical help and support. People willingly come up to us and ask questions. They see us as their friends. Many of us can tell of the exciting encounters we have had, giving us the opportunity to share testimony of our personal relationship with Jesus.

The Importance of Prayer – Street Pastors Basingstoke consider prayer cover for the pastors very important. We would like to support our Street Pastors with a team of Prayer Pastors, who will meet and pray in the URC whilst we walk the streets, and we are looking for volunteers. We currently have a team of Prayer Warriors who pray into the circumstances of people we meet on the streets and who ask for prayer.

[Website 07749 193927](tel:07749193927) (Main) basingstoke@streetpastors.org.uk (Main)

65 years ago, on 1 June 1957 the first premium bond prize draw took place in Britain.

25 years ago, on 12 June 1997 the Shakespeare's Globe Theatre opened in London. It is a reconstruction of the original theatre of 1599.

25 years ago, on 26 June 1997 J K Rowling's first Harry Potter novel, Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone was published in the UK.



Basingstoke Choral Society's Spring Concert

Tickets from £15: bhlivetickets@bhlive.org.uk

Saturday 25 June 2022

The Anvil, Basingstoke – A Celebration of English Composers

BCS Putting the *sing* in Basingstoke

www.basingstoke-choral.org.uk [BCS on Facebook](#)

The choir's musical director, David Gibson, will be conducting the concert and the choir will be performing with the New London Sinfonia. Tickets are available from the Anvil Box Office: 01256 844244 or from: boxoffice@anvilarts.org.uk (for fuller details, see May newsletter)

from One Church, Basingstoke

Saturday 18 June, 2 pm – 5:45 pm

Party in the Park (Eastrop Live)

Join us in Eastrop Park for a Music Festival featuring:

- Cosy and the Dukes
- Rhoda Morson
- Moses Kitchen
- Chloe Gill
- The Rokkits & Others

from One Church, Basingstoke

Saturday 18 June, 6 pm – 8 pm

Worship in the Park (Eastrop Live)

Come and join in with the OneChurch Worship Band made up of singers and musicians from local churches



Methodist JPIT

Stay and Pray – new weekly prayers for intercession

We're continuing with our daily 'Stay & Pray' prayers on our social media and via email. You can now also see our prayers and prompts for prayers of intercession in communal worship, available every Friday as a PDF on our website. Use them as prompts for your prayers of intercession, as we lift up our eyes and reflect on the wider world:

<https://www.jointpublicissues.org.uk>



Dial-a-Prayer

FREEPHONE numbers for Prayers, Reflections and News from the Methodist Church

- **Listen to a Prayer:** 0808 281 2514
- **Listen to a Pastoral Message from the President & Vice President:** 0808 281 2695
- **Listen to our Podcast:** 0808 281 2478
- *Prayer updated every Thursday,*
- *Presidential message updated every Monday,*
- *Methodist Podcast updated fortnightly on Thursday.*

Sarah Eberle's Psalm 23 Garden: Design Tips for a Calm Green Space by various authors, Bible Society, £6.50

A full-colour book showcasing the splendid *Psalm 23 Garden*, designed by Sarah Eberle for the Bible Society's entry into last year's *RHS Chelsea Flower Show*. Sarah Eberle had previously won 17 gold medals at Chelsea and Hampton Court Flower Shows, and her Psalm 23 Garden won another gold medal as well as awards for Best Sanctuary Garden and Best Construction Award.

The Mug and Biscuit, St Andrew's Church

Now Open *Wednesdays* too

Hours of opening below:



**Tuesday: 10 am to 12 noon
Wednesday: 10 am to 12 noon
Thursday: 10 am to 12 noon**

On all three days **drinks, home-made cakes and toasted tea cakes** will be available to purchase. *We look forward to welcoming old and new friends.*



The Mug & Biscuit Team

Any queries contact:

Linda Hoe ☎: 07963 583506

Sing, Play, Make & Pray by Eleanor King, Kevin Mayhew, £7.99

Got a free hour or two? Has something been cancelled and you're wondering what to do? Worried the kids are going to be bouncing off the walls? Well, this is the book for you! This is a collection of creative, fun and reflective things to do as a household. The ideas are flexible, practical, doable and don't require expensive resources, but are also engaging and interesting for all ages to do together. To accompany each activity there is a short Bible passage linking in with the theme, and a family-friendly prayer.

Getting ready for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, 2 – 5 June

The UK and Commonwealth will celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a four-day Bank Holiday from 2 – 5 June 2022, and churches throughout the country will join in on the celebrations. *Here's the programme of coming national events:*

Thursday 2 June – The Queen's Birthday Parade – Trooping of the Colour – London
Lighting of Beacons – around the Country and Commonwealth.

Friday 3 June – St Paul's Cathedral Service of Thanksgiving – London.

Saturday 4 June – The Derby at Epsom Downs, attended by members of the Royal Family.
Platinum Party at the Palace – a Concert Broadcast from Buckingham Palace.

Pentecost Sunday 5 June – Pentecost Sunday Services in Churches around the country – linked to the Platinum Jubilee.

Platinum Jubilee Street Parties / Big Jubilee Lunch – around the Country.
The Platinum Jubilee Pageant on The Mall – London.



SAVE THE DATE – Next CIRCUIT MUSICAL
at Wesley, Reading on Saturday 19 November 2022



We will learn Roger Jones' new musical '**Three Wise Camels**', in a day and end the day with a worship performance of it. More information later. (See March Trinity E-News for fuller article). Any questions please **contact**: Tony & Jennifer Pitt at: itsthepitts@btinternet.com

Blister Pack Recycling

Many thanks to all of you donating your empty pill packs and to Those who are collecting them from others too. I am overwhelmed at how many have appeared for me to recycle. It makes me realise how many went into land fill before we started collecting them.



I have now taken more than 31 very full ‘Bags for Life’ of blister packs to be recycled. Thank you for your support in this. However I do have one request:

Over the last few months I have found “foreign bodies in some of the bags. Please, Please can you give the message to those that you may collect from that we don’t take “tissues” or any other type of foil, for example I had to remove six pie trays and they were not all clean. Your co-operation in this would be greatly appreciated.

I am sure that the help that Marie Curie is getting from these is welcomed and of course it is helping to take care of the planet for future generations.

Please continue to leave them at church for me to collect, in the **white labelled bin provided, which can be found in the foyer area at church**. However I would be happy to collect locally if you are unable to get to church.

Jennifer Pitt

Recycling of Plastic Milk Bottle Tops –

If you have plastic milk bottle tops (**only milk bottle tops**) and are not already recycling them and would like to, Pamela has a contact with a collector for the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance. Tops can be given to Pamela or ring the Bishop family on ☎: 01256 467702.



Thank you, June Bishop



Trinity Collections

As you will expect, Trinity’s income has been severely reduced over the last 2 years. This is partly because hirers have had to stop meeting, but also because without services in Church the collections have stopped. Nevertheless, much of our expenditure has continued – almost half of our outgoings go to the Circuit to pay for, among other things but to a major extent, the Circuit staff, both ordained and lay.

We would like to express our thanks to those who contribute by Standing Order, and those who have made contact to continue their regular giving via monthly envelopes. We would like to remind you all that there are a number of ways that you can contribute financially to God’s work at Trinity and we would particularly welcome any donations at this time.

If you need more information as to how you can give to Trinity, please contact:

Tony Pitt (Gift Aid & Envelope Secretary) – organista@btinternet.com or ☎: 01256-816314

- **Judgement** – The poster read: *Where will you be on judgement day?* The graffiti below read: *Still waiting for the Stafford bus.*
- **Living on Earth is expensive** – but it does include a free trip around the sun every year.



UPDATE (at 21.05.22)

web: <https://basingstoke.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>



Our foodbank Relies on Your Goodwill & Support. Monetary Donations big or small also gratefully received. Over 90% of food distributed by foodbanks in The Trussell Trust network is donated by the public – that's why your food donations are absolutely vital to enable us to give everyone referred a balanced, nutritious 3 day food supply.

Our **Basingstoke Centre & Warehouse at Hounds Mills** remains open for donations of food & toiletries including fresh veg, bread & eggs during our regular opening times which are **from 10 am – 3 pm, Monday to Friday**. If you would like to donate any items, please '**shop and drop**' goods into the permanent crates provided for us by our supporting supermarkets, eg Tesco at Chineham; Sainsburys at Tadley, Hatch Warren or The Malls; Co-op; Asda; Waitrose; Lidl; Aldi etc, or at any of the other donation points. We still have **Donation points** around the region as follows: **Food parcels can be Collected & Donations Delivered at:** **Basingstoke Baptist Church, Brighton Hill**, Wed 10.30 am – 12.30 pm; **Buckskin Evangelical Church**, Mon & Fri 10.30 am – 12.30 pm; **St Gabriel's Church, Popley**, Fri 12.30 pm – 2.30 pm; **Tadley Common Methodist Church**, Tues 10.30 am – 12.30 pm; **Church of the Good Shepherd, Winklebury**, Tues 12.30 pm – 2.30 pm; **The Sarum Hill Centre, Hope Community Church**, Thur 10.30 am – 12.30 pm. **THANK YOU** for your continued support!

Check out the Foodbank Website as above. You will find the full list there of all the '**Donation Locations**' & times where you can donate food and use the '**Shop & Drop**'.

Basingstoke Foodbank: The good news is that the new premises at Hounds Mills have been secured for two years. The Foodbank has been able to purchase a large commercial refrigerator, which means we can now store fresh fruit and vegetables, and are now able to provide fresh bread, eggs, fruit and veg in every food parcel. The address in Hounds Mills is 63-64 Tempus Business Centre, Kingsclere Road, RG21 6XG. At present there is no process in place for transfer of donations from Trinity to the new site, **please do not leave donations at Trinity**. Thanks, **Tony Pitt**

A Typical Food Parcel Includes: breakfast cereals; soup; pasta; rice; pasta sauce; tinned beans; tinned meat; tinned vegetables; tinned fruit; tea or coffee; sugar; biscuits; snacks; toiletries; household items; limited supply of fresh bread, fruit & vegetables.

At 21.05.22, we are SHORT OF:

- Long Life UHT Milk
- Long Life Fruit Juice
- Tinned Fruit
- Tinned Custard
- Squash
- Desserts / Puddings
- Female Deodorant
- Men's Shaving Gel
- Razors (Men's & Ladies)
- Nappies (Size 5 only)
- Tin Openers

At 21.05.22, we have Plenty of:

- Cereals Hot & Cold, Porridge Sachets
- Baked Beans
- Biscuits
- Rice
- **NO Pasta (we have enough for a year)**
- Baby Food
- Non-Dairy Milk
- Kitchen Paper Rolls
- Coffee
- Tea, Fruit Teas
- Nappies (Other than Size 5)
- Cat and Dog Food

We always welcome Donations and promise to use them to provide help for local people in crisis. Occasionally we send food to other local foodbanks to support their work if they have specific shortages. We also support a small number of local agencies in B/S who regularly provide hot meals, or emergency food items for our most vulnerable members of the community who maybe unable to access our centre.

Thank you for your continued support

SAD NEWS FOR OUR RECYCLING



In the next month or so we are going to lose two of our recycling collections.

After 31 March we will no longer be able to collect the Baby Food Pouches and Kids Yoghurt Pouches. We have been collecting these since 2016. It was slow to get started but has been increasing over the years and each shipment generates between £10 and £12.

Our biggest loss will be the Crisp Collection, closing on 25 April. This has only been running since March 2019 but has brought in over £300. We collect more crisp packets than any other item.

The reason given for closing these recyclable collections is that Supermarkets are now running their own recycling schemes. That is good news for the planet but not for our charity and I am very sad that we will not have as much to give to 'Pillars'.

However, we are still collecting cake and biscuit wrappers, flexible packaging bags used for dishwasher tabs and detergent capsules, packaging of household wipes like Flash or the anti-bacterial ones, plastic air fresheners, tinted fabric conditioner bottles or the tinted plastic boxes used for home cleaning products. So do please continue to support our scheme by recycling these with us.

Email: malandhazel@hotmail.com

Phone: 07776 442529

Thank you, Hazel Green



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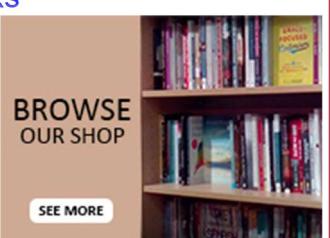
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And may Romans 8:37-39 encourage us all

For the Young & not so Young

Bible Bite

It can be read in the Bible in Genesis chapter 2:4-9, 15-25 and ch.3

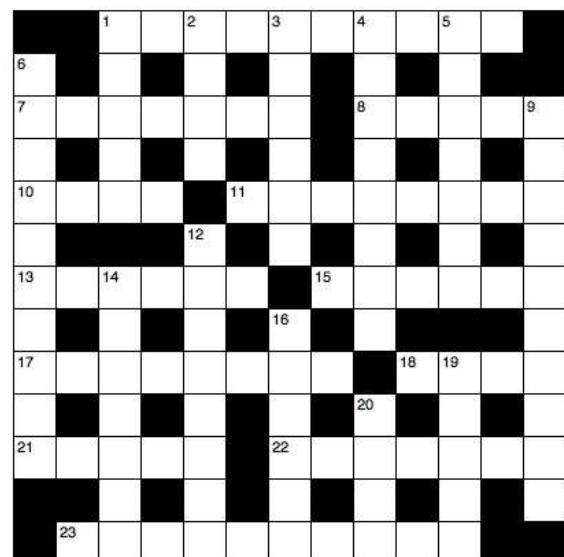


A short story from the Bible

This story is about the wonderful start to the world, and the first mistake...

PUZ?LES

Crossword



Sudoku

2			5		3
9		6		7	
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	1	9			
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Wordsearch for June 2022

This year Her Majesty The Queen became the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee marking 70 years of service to the people of the United Kingdom, the Realms and the Commonwealth.

Majesty	Platinum	United	First
Birthday	Horses	Queen	
Jubilee	Kingdom	Parade	
Realms	Seventy	Service	
Trooping	Palace	British	
Years	Colour	Commonwealth	
Balcony	Monarch	Buckingham	
Soldiers	Beacons	Celebrations	



Mouse Makes

It was the **festival of Pentecost**, fifty days since **Passover** and **Jews** from many countries had come to **Jerusalem** to **celebrate**. The **Apostles** and other believers were all **together** in one place when they heard a **sound** like a strong **wind** and **saw** what looked like **tongues of fire** which spread out and **touched each person**. All of them were **filled** with the **Holy Spirit** and began to **talk in other languages** as the Spirit enabled them. A **crowd** gathered outside, they were all excited because each of them heard the believers speaking in their **own**

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A L O W E D D E J E W S

language about the great things **God** had done. About 3,000 people **heard**, **believed** and were **baptised** that day!

All the words in bold type in the story are in the word search, can you find them?

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Crossword Clues – Down

- 'God so loved the — that he gave his one and only Son' (John 3:16) (5)
- 'Away in a manger, no — for a bed' (4)
- Mob ten (anag.) (6)
- 'Each — group made its own gods in several towns where they settled' (2 Kings 17:29) (8)
- Began (Luke 9:46) (7)
- Speaking very softly (John 7:32) (10)
- Workers Ruth joined when she arrived in Bethlehem with her mother-in-law Naomi (Ruth 2:3) (10)
- Put in jail (Acts 22:19) (8)
- Acetum (anag.) (7)
- Discharge (Acts 21:3) (6)
- 'All these — come from inside and make a man "unclean"' (Mark 7:23) (5)
- 'Let us rejoice and be glad and — him glory!' (Revelation 19:7) (4)

**Crossword Clues – Across**

- Evil (Genesis 6:5) (10)
- Musician called for by Elisha when he met the kings of Israel, Judah and Edom (2 Kings 3:15) (7)
- The request that led to the institution of the Lord's Prayer: 'Lord, — us to pray' (Luke 11:1) (5)
- 'We are hard pressed on every —' (2 Corinthians 4:8) (4)
- Fraud (2 Corinthians 6:8) (8)
- 'His troops advance in force; they build a siege ramp against me and — around my tent' (Job 19:12) (6)
- Where Rachel hid Laban's household gods when he searched his daughter's tent (Genesis 31:34) (6)
- 'Now about spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be —' (1 Corinthians 12:1) (8)
- Nomadic dwelling (Genesis 26:25) (4)
- 'As for man, his days are like —, he flourishes like a flower of the field' (Psalm 103:15) (5)
- Or I live (anag.) (7)
- Those guilty of 1 Across (Romans 13:4) (10)





The Best Seat



HE EXPLAINED THAT WHEN YOU ARE INVITED TO A MEAL



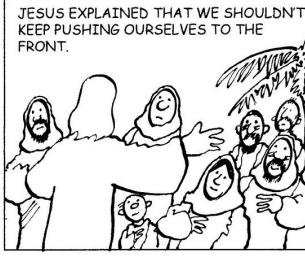
DON'T RUSH TO SIT IN THE BEST SEAT....



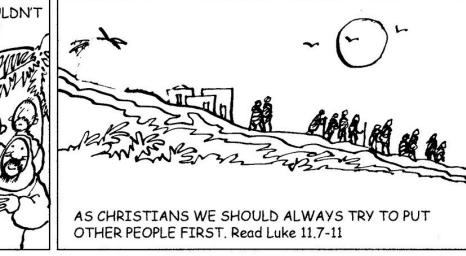
IT'S MUCH BETTER TO TAKE THE LOWER SEAT



...AND THEN FIND YOU ARE ASKED TO MOVE UP.



JESUS EXPLAINED THAT WE SHOULDN'T KEEP PUSHING OURSELVES TO THE FRONT.



AS CHRISTIANS WE SHOULD ALWAYS TRY TO PUT OTHER PEOPLE FIRST. Read Luke 11.11

Puzzle Pages Solutions

Across: 1, Wickedness.

7, Harpist. 8, Teach. 10, Side.

11, Impostor. 13, Encamp.

15, Saddle. 17, Ignorant.

18, Tent. 21, Grass. 22, Olivier.

23, Wrongdoers.

Down: 1, World. 2, Crib.

3, Entomb. 4, National. 5, Started.

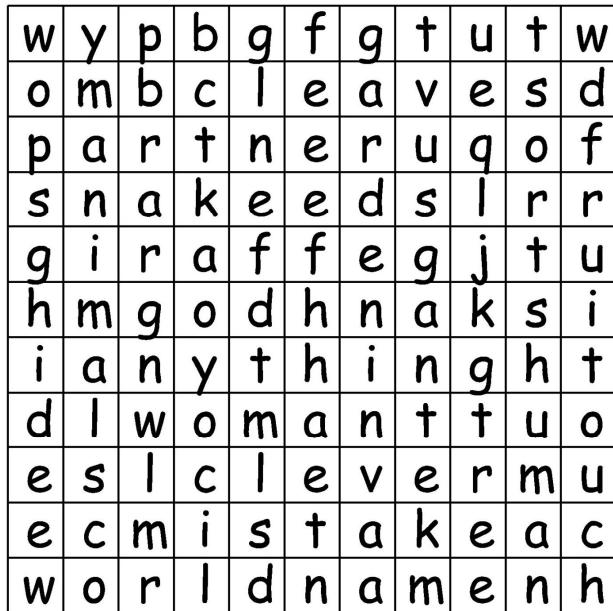
6, Whispering. 9, Harvesters.

12, Imprison. 14, Centaur.

16, Unload. 19, Evils, 20, Give.

Sudoku Solution

2	6	4	1	7	5	9	8	3
1	9	3	6	4	8	7	5	2
7	5	8	2	3	9	6	4	1
5	4	2	7	8	6	3	1	9
9	3	7	4	5	1	2	6	8
6	8	1	3	9	2	5	7	4
4	2	5	9	1	7	8	3	6
3	7	6	8	2	4	1	9	5
8	1	9	5	6	3	4	2	7



Animals	Tree	Garden	Giraffe
Ant	Man	Hide	Woman
God	Fruit	Leaves	World
Sorts	Partner	Human	Name
Touch	Fault	Anything	Clever
Eat	Snake	Mistake	Clothes

