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Sunday 21th June

Refugee Sunday

Father's Day

The church building at Newington remains closed but as a congregation we continue in worship and prayer.

Bible verse

Happy are people who are hopeless because the kingdom of heaven is theirs

Matthew 5,3 (*Common English Bible*)

Prayer

We kneel before the Father. Every ethnic group in heaven or on earth is recognised by him. I ask that he will strengthen you in your inner self from the riches of his glory through the Spirit. I ask, that Christ will live in your hearts through faith. I ask, that you will have the power to grasp love's width and length, height and depth, together with all believers. I ask that you'll know the love of Christ that is beyond knowledge so that you will be filled entirely with the fullness of God.

Amen (Apostle Paul Ephesians 3, 15-19)

This week we remember to pray for:

Beryl and Peter, Margaret N., Peter and Ian, Heather and Stephen, Elena remembering those who have died, and praying for their loved ones. Audrey, Margaret

Continue in prayers for The Federation of Newington Church of England Primary School and Lower Halstow Primary School. Staff and children.

We remember in our prayers the world crisis and refugees. See upcoming events at:
<https://refugeeweek.org.uk/>



Notices:

- **For Sunday service 10:30 am** follow the link on www.nkmethodists.org.uk worship at home. This coming Sunday circuit service will be led Rev Robert Zachar, next Sunday 28th June, will be led by Rev Kan Yu

These are on line meetings on ZOOM. You can join in via computer or phone.

- **Sunday morning chat and prayer 9am**
 - Dial 00442034815240
 - Meeting ID 83903061413 Password: 265946
- **Bible study** every Tuesday 2 -3pm, find the link at:
<http://www.sittingbournemethodist.org.uk/>
- **Prayer meeting** Fridays 10 am Meeting Password: 558684
https://zoom.us/join/attendee/tJwuciorTsvO96jEWZmrcTOtzljyKLN0w/ics?user_id=HJb3zyuSS5-YIXmq1RLdQw

A question to keep you thinking...

How many times a day we are to forgive? See Gen 4,24 – Matthew 18, 21-22

The answer to last week's question: People started to worship in the Lord's name

Reflection By Martin S.

Newington 21st June 2020 "freed from sin "

Extracts from the lessons and hymns I might have selected for this service Martin

Ye servants of God (Singing The Faith 278)

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
And publish abroad his wonderful name;
The name all-victorious of Jesus extol;
His kingdom is glorious, and rules over all.

Psalm 69: 16-18

¹⁶ Answer me, LORD, in the goodness of your constant love;
in your great compassion turn to me!
¹⁷ Don't hide yourself from your servant;
I am in great trouble—answer me now!
¹⁸ Come to me and save me;
rescue me from my enemies.

See how great a flame aspires (Singing The Faith 412)

See how great a flame aspires,
kindled by a spark of grace!
Jesu's love the nations fires,
sets the kingdoms on a blaze.
To bring fire on earth he came;
kindled in some hearts it is:
O that all might catch the flame,
all partake the glorious bliss!

Jeremiah 28.5-9

⁹As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet.'

Matthew 10.40-42

⁴⁰'Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a

prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; ⁴²and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple - truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.'

Christ is the world's light (Singing The Faith 455)

Christ is the world's Light, he and none other;
Born in our darkness, he became our brother.
If we have seen him, we have seen the Father:
Glory to God on high.

Romans 6.12-23

²²But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reflective Prayer

To give a cup of water to a little one
is not a lot to ask
– it only requires a few simple actions,
little time, no cost.

Lord Jesus,
give me the eyes to notice the thirsty around me,
behind closed doors,
on the streets,
in my family.

Give me the strength
to turn off my lukewarm self-absorption
and to turn on the refreshing tap
of your compassion,

your generosity,
your cleansing.

Give me the daring to offer a cup of my treasure,
my vulnerability,
my heart,
to another.

And give me the courage to step out of myself,
to place that cup into the empty hands of another in need,
acknowledging my own need
to reach out for your living water day by day.
Amen.

Take my life, and let it be (Singing The Faith 705)

Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

I know that my Redeemer lives (Singing The Faith 303)

I know that my Redeemer lives --
what joy the blest assurance gives!
He lives, he lives, who once was dead;
he lives, my everlasting Head!

Follow God into the places of pain, taking the generosity of grace.
Follow God into the places of service, taking the gentleness of love.
Follow God into the places of thanksgiving, taking songs of joy.

*May God's blessing surround you each day,
As you trust Him and walk in His way.
May His presence within
Guard and keep you from sin,
Go in peace, go in joy, go in love.*