

St. Matt's Midweek Update – 8th October 2020



I hope you are well.

This week I wanted to start with some verses from Isaiah 40. When our natural instinct is to do too much, or to feel overwhelmed by all the responsibilities and worries we have to carry, remember this...

"Do you not know? Have you not heard?

The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no-one can fathom.

He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.

Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall;

but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength.

They will soar on wings like eagles;

they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."

Notices

Friday Worship and Prayer - tomorrow evening at 8pm, we will be meeting on zoom for an hour of worship, prayer and testimony. Everyone is welcome. The Zoom link you will need is:

Topic: St. Matt's Friday Worship and Prayer

Time: Oct 9, 2020 08:00 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84265091475>

Meeting ID: 842 6509 1475

APCM - as a church, we have to hold an annual meeting to discuss church business and nominate PCC members, among other things. Our APCM this year will be on Monday 19th October at 8pm in church. I will be sending out a much more detailed email about it tomorrow, with a link to sign up if you would like to attend.

Tearfund donations - last Sunday was Harvest, and we were collecting food items for Nourish Foodbank, and money for Tearfund. If you would still like to donate to Tearfund, please use the following link and use your debit or credit card to donate. Thank-you!

<https://stmatts.churchsuite.co.uk/donate/fund/4jh7ck8a>

Support - as we go into winter and more people get all sorts of virus' and bugs, the likelihood of people having to self-isolate for 2 weeks increases. When we were in full lock-down, we had a list of people willing to do shopping or run errands for others. It would be great to offer the same help now when people are having to self-isolate, or just don't feel comfortable going shopping, so **please can you let me know if you can offer to do shopping for others**. Please do also ask for help if you are stuck in the house and need some supplies or any other help. We may not see messages on Facebook, so please contact myself or Chris directly if you need any help or support.

Chat on the Green - Liz Johnson is starting an initiative to chat to passers-by and offer a space for people to come and talk if they need to. She will be on the green at the bottom of Southview Road on Tuesday 13th October, between 3pm and 4pm. Do pray for this initiative, and pop by if you have time (being aware that they can't be a group of more than 6 at any time!).

School forms - if you have a child in year 6 and need a school form for Bennett or St. Greg's signed by Chris, do let us know as soon as possible, so that he has time to sort it out for you.

Cooker and fridge needed - a member of the congregation has recently moved and doesn't have a fridge / freezer or cooker. If anyone has an electric oven or a fridge that they could give, please let me know.

Have a good weekend.