

2nd May 2021



St Georges Church

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For your thoughts & prayers.

- For our newly inducted and ordained elders.
- That we may continue to serve the local community, without the need for anything in return.
- Giving thanks for those who work as volunteers in local charities and organisations.
- For our current and past Elders and all those that have served this community by the work they have done in this Church.
- For the Foodbank during a time of extra demand for help.
- For the work of discovery in local schools.

Newsletter Picture. For those that have been unable to come to Church, the picture above was taken outside the Church last week. It shows the recently planted tree. It has already, some lovely flowers.

This Week...

2nd May - Tuesday
Night Homegroup –
Church & Zoom.

Church Services to come.

9th May - Jim Wignall – **Church & Zoom** – Our **AGM** will follow this service.

16th May – Josephine Sam –
Church & Zoom.

23rd May - Kevin York – **Church & Zoom.**

Click on or copy, the link below into your web browser to go to our **Online Sunday Services.**

<https://zoom.us/j/5181132409>

Stay in touch with us via our webpage. www.st-georges-urc-hemel.org.uk

Or the Church's Facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/St-Georges-Church-HH-687803111369184/>

Other Online Resources...

Online URC Services - Access the devotions here:

bit.ly/URCdevotions or

subscribe here:

bit.ly/URCDDsubscribe

These are short links, but they will take you to the website.

"Making mature and active disciples of Jesus Christ, who worship God and show God's love inside and outside the Church."

Warning after residents targeted in HMRC scams. Hertfordshire Constabulary is warning residents to stay vigilant following reports of scam phone calls and text messages which appeared to be from HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC).

Many victims been contacted by the fraudsters claiming to be the HMRC over the last few weeks. The victims were told there were outstanding debts or unpaid taxes in their names. The fraudsters then asked the victims to make bank transfers as payment. One victim lost £1,400.

The fraudsters cold call victims using a spoofed number that appears to be a genuine Hertfordshire Constabulary phone number, sometimes leaving voicemail messages claiming that the victim owes unpaid tax to HMRC.

How to protect yourself:

- HMRC will never use texts to tell you about a tax rebate or penalty or ever ask for payment in this way.
- Telephone numbers and text messages can easily be spoofed. You should never trust the number you see on your telephone display.
- If you receive a suspicious cold call, end it immediately.

Farewell to Andrew Prasad (Steady!) A farewell event to Andrew Prasad (URC Moderator) will take place via Zoom on **Saturday 22 May 2021 between 11.00am – 12.30pm.**

The URC say it will be a time of celebration and thanksgiving for Andrew's ministry within the Synod, and the wider Church, with an opportunity to hear from a variety of people and to recognise 'the time to let go' as Andrew and the Synod prepare for change.

There is a link in the newsletter email than you can use if you want to join this meeting. No need to register, just click and go.



Church AGM. Sunday 9th May. We plan to hold an **AGM on Sunday the 9th of May**; it will follow the Sunday morning service. It is anticipated that it will also be shown via Zoom. Please put the date in the diary.

Contacts & Information

Pastoral Care: Please contact either **Josephine** or **Denise** via the office number **01442 212320**. Leave a message and they will call you back.

Church Office – admin@st-georges-urc-hemel.org.uk 01442 212320

Hall Hire – Contact the admin office - 01442 212320.

Lifts Co-Ordinator – denise.chennell@coolemail.co.uk - 07808 442215.

Please send newsletter items to - admin@st-georges-urc-hemel.org.uk

Website - www.st-georges-urc-hemel.org.uk

The church website has details of events, services, & recordings. The member's area includes up to date rotas & information. Please contact the office for the member's password. Articles for the website send to admin@st-georges-urc-hemel.org.uk

All Meetings are currently suspended.

Reminder. When not in organised group sessions, children should be supervised by parents/carers at all times whilst on the premises.

Junior Church - (Term-Time)
Sunday mornings 10.30 am.

- Cell Group 14+
- 7up – Year 7 (11+)
- Junior Church (5+)
- Creche
- Child Friendly services during Half-Term.

Pilots - (Term-Time) Thursday
Meet in the church hall.

- Deckhands (Recp. to Year 2) 5.45 until 7pm
- Adventurers (Year 3-6) 5.45 until 7pm
- Voyagers (Age 11-14) 7 until 8.15 pm

All Meetings are suspended.

Toddler Group - (Term-Time)
Thursday mornings 10-11.45 am - Please see Carol Edgeworth for details or the Church Facebook Page

Homegroups - Monday to Thursdays - See website for details.

All Meetings are suspended.

Wednesday Welcome - (Term time) Open to all. 10.15 am to 11.30 am Speakers, Activities & Fellowship.

All Meetings are suspended.

Prayer chain - Please speak to Josephine Sam.

Prayer Meeting - Wednesdays 7pm to 7.30 – meet online via Zoom.
<https://zoom.us/j/96361611856>