St Georges Church

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For your prayers.

- The Crichton family as they mourn the loss of Margaret and all her friends here at St. George's and heritage St. Andrew's.
- All those that have lost loved ones
- For healing, reconciliation & understanding.

Leadership team Activity & Focus As you would expect the leadership team are currently heavily engaged in reviewing the recommendations produced by both the Government and the URC. They have two things that are driving this

- 1. To safely reopen the Church
- 2. Hold the delayed Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Opening the Church. Alongside advice from the Government the URC have produced a 28-page document entitled 'Emerging into the New Normal'. The leadership team have asked the BMC to shape a plan for us to emerge into the new normal. That activity is currently underway and once completed we will need to resource and execute the recommendations. It may transpire that some of us, even if the Church is reopened and worship takes place within the Church, may not be able to take part. We are therefore also looking at a complimentary activity which is looking at Church Services Moving Forward.

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This Week...

All Church scheduled Services are now online until further notice.

Church Online Service

9th August - Rev. Dr. Confidence W. Bansah

https://tinyurl.com/wtskd4x

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

Stay in touch with us via our webpage

www.st-georges-urchemel.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.

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Church Services Moving Forward. Nothing is going to change in the short term. However, driven by the need to keep things fresh, interesting and engaging we will be investigating a different approach to deliver services on a Sunday, one which more closely mimics our normal Church Sunday services. This might include streaming recorded or live services or a mixture of both on Sunday mornings.

Additionally, if it works well and is popular then it is potentially something that we could retain, even after Church life returns to normal. We will keep you posted on developments on this front via the weekly newsletter and email. So please watch this space. In the short term we will continue to use our current technology.

AGM Update. It is still difficult to give a definitive timeframe on when we could meet face to face to participate in the AGM. Nevertheless, the elders are progressing with the responses to the questions raised by a number of the congregation. It is anticipated that we will get these out to everyone sometime in August and well in advance of any re-scheduled AGM. We have suggested that the AGM should take place no later than the end of September.

9th August 2020 Church Service. Music. We continue to use music from the Church of Hillsong this week. This week there will **two** streamed songs

The songs from Hillsong are shown in the email, there is a link where you can check them out before the service on Sunday. Please also remember to mute your microphones during the music. As always if you would like to join us, then all you need to do is open up the GoToMeeting app. The box shown below will appear. Enter the meeting access code 667 187 101 where it is circled below.

This is the same code for the service this Sunday and all Online services.



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Website - <u>www.st-georges-urc-hemel.org.uk</u>

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

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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.

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

Pilots - (Term-Time) ThursdayMeet 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

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.

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

Meetings - Suspended

Prayer chain - Please speak to Josephine Sam

Prayer Meeting - (Term time) Wednesdays 6.45 pm to 7.30 – meet online.

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