## Prayers by Diane Ball on behalf of St. Andrew's (Hope Centre)



'On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!"

After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.'

Thank you, Jesus, that your death paid the price for our sin, but today we celebrate that you were raised back to life, conquering death itself so that we might live in fullness of life with you and the Father now and for ever.

We, like the disciples, are overjoyed.

We bring to you today any areas of our lives that might be influenced by fear or anxiety, things that worry us, or concerns about living openly as your followers.

Thank you that you say to us "peace be with you".

We pray for all those who live in fear today, those in war zones, or areas of natural disaster; those in slavery or controlling relationships; those who are living in unsafe places or without the basics of life; and those for whom the cost of living has become unmanageable.

May they, in their anguish, hear you say, "peace be with you".

Alleluia, Christ has risen. Amen.

Please pray for: Christine Cocker. *E-mail* office@stpetersparish.info if you want your name to appear on this list as consent must be given by the individual concerned.

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### Welcome to St. Peter's. We are 4 churches:

St. Peter's, St. Andrew's, Barrow Bridge and Smithills Fellowship

One Parish—One Church—One Vision

# Sundays 9th and 16th April 2023

Rev. Alan writes... Happy Easter - He has Risen! He has Risen Indeed, Alleluia! The death and resurrection of Jesus Christ are the most significant events in the history of the world, bringing hope and life for us all. So, it is a cause for celebration! You're all invited to join us in church or on-line for our Easter Sunday services across the parish where we all be looking at the story of



Jesus' resurrection in Matthew 28:1-10. Sunday evening at our parish-wide 6.30pm service, Stephen Brierley will be looking at the part that Joseph of Arimathea played in the Easter story, and will be exploring the story across all four Gospels.



Kingdom Mission, Matthew 28:16-20 Prayer, Colossians 4:2-6 Work, Genesis 2:8-9, 15-22 Witness, 1 Peter 2:9-12 Parenting, Deuteronomy 6:4-9, 20-25 Generosity, Luke 18:9-30 Reconcilitation, 2 Corinthians 5:11-21 Serving, Jeremiah 29:1-14 Justice and Mercy, Isalah 58:1-14 Partnership. Matthew 4:18-25 Next Sunday we start a new ten-week sermon series called **Kingdom Mission** at our morning services. In this series we will look at the various ways we can partner with God to make disciples in every aspect of our lives. As parents, grand-parents, children, bosses, employees, neighbours, friends, coworkers, and church members we are all called to use the places and relationships in which God has planted us to intentionally partner with him in revealing his kingdom to the world.

Jesus commanded us in Matthew 28:19-20 to "go and make disciples of all nations." Jesus promises that as we are going he will guide us, strengthen us, equip us, and empower us to be disciple makers. He also promises us that when we surrender fully to him and his kingdom we will find remarkable peace and joy as we partner with him. My hope is that this series will equip us to practically live out the calling to make disciples and reflect God's kingdom wherever he has placed us.

<u>Hosts Needed SOON!</u>: We've an exciting opportunity to host a mission visit with a team from The Message Trust's School of Evangelism from Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April (visit www.message.org.uk). It's a fantastic international team of gifted young adults who will work with our young people and visit local



schools delivering lessons on identity and purpose. If you can provide food and accommodation for 4 nights, please contact Alan or Amanda ASAP thanks!

### Church services across the parish;

Easter Sunday (9th): St. Peter's Church: 8.30am: Service of the Word with Communion; 10.30am Morning service with Communion. Livestream: https:// youtube.com/live/7FsRdb n0vc?; 6.30pm Worship, teaching and Communion. Livestream of reading and talk: https://youtube.com/live/-liSUnmWiAA?. Our sister churches: **10am** Smithills Fellowship; 10.30am Bridge (Communion); 10.30am St. Andrew's (Café Church). Sunday 16th: St. Peter's Church: 8.30am Service of the Word with Communion; 10.30am Morning service. Livestream: https://youtube.com/live/S5QA7RvKLcA?. Twinklers in the lounge; 6.30pm Worship and teaching. Livestream of reading and talk: https://youtube.com/live/q EigAzZ1Uw?. Our sister churches: 10am Smithills Fellowship (Time Out);10.30am Barrow Bridge (Communion); 10.30am St. Andrew's.

### General Activities at St. Peter's Parish Centre:

Monday 10th (closed) / 17th: 10am-12noon The Coffee Room. This cafe is open to everyone; 9.30am-10.30am/11am-12noon Strength and Balance class. To go 599900/amanda@stpetersparish.info; the waiting list, contact Tuesday 11th (closed) / 18th: 10am-11.30am Little Wiggles. All parents and carers welcome at this group for babies and toddlers. No need to book, just turn up!; 7.30pm-9pm TREAD. Youth group for years 7+. Contact Ben on 07512 753201. Wednesday 12th (closed) / 19th: 10am Open Door. All ladies welcome. Coffee 10am-10.20am. Bible discussion—Linda Foster. Contact Sandra on 846490. Thursday 13th (closed) / 20th: 10am Aerobics. All welcome. Contact Paula on 07913 408141; 1pm-2.45pm The Well Toddler Group. Contact Parish Office on 599900); 2pm-4pm Friendship Group for those with Dementia and their Carers. Friday 14th and 21st: 10.30am Friday Life. Everyone welcome. Contact denis.collier@gmail.com: mq8 Stressbusters. Badminton. Evervone welcome. Contact Geoff Barlow on 561760 / 07835 388732. Saturday 15th (closed) / 22nd April: 9am-12noon (age-related sessions) INTERACT School of Performing Arts. Contact Emma on 07896 724531.

<u>Sunday 16th:</u> 10.20am-11.45am Lighthouse (ages 4-13). Info from Ben on 07512 753201/lighthouse@stpetersparish.info



### **General Activities at St. Andrew's (Hope Centre):**

Tuesday 11th (closed) / 18th: 9.45am-11.30am TOTS Parent and Toddler Group. Contact Julie on 07835 014470 for details.

<u>Wednesday 12th and 19th:</u> From 9am The Hub. Drop-in session. A warm welcome awaits and friendly conversation, refreshments and fun activities.

Rev. Dave Brae: On Sunday 5th June Dave will become Priest-in-Charge of St. Chads in the parish of Patchway, Diocese of Bristol. Dave's last services at St. Peter's will be on Sunday 14th May. In lieu of leaving cards and gifts, Dave has suggested donations are instead made to Urban Outreach —thank you. This can be done via cash, cheques (payable to St. Peters Halliwell PCC) or bank transfer to CAF St. Peter's Halliwell A/C 00030623, sort code 40-52-40, reference 'DaveBrae'. Please pray for Dave, Emma, James and Hannah as they prepare to start this new chapter in their lives.



URBAN OUTREACH

<u>Friendship Group for those with Dementia and their Carers</u>: Thursday 20th April, 2pm–4pm in the Parish Centre Lounge. Tea/coffee and cake and a very warm welcome. Come and join us. For details, call Joan on 01204 840180

**Dreaming The Impossible (DTI) 2023:** Are you in Year 7-13? Then join us for this 5 day Christian youth festival from **29th July-3rd August**. There is so much to do from late night music concerts to sports tournaments and even dodgems! It's time away to be



with friends and learn more about a relationship with Jesus. To see what we got up to last year, watch this video <a href="https://youtu.be/-kJmwuYBcY0">https://youtu.be/-kJmwuYBcY0</a>. For info and to book, please contact Kristen at <a href="mailto:tread@stpetersparish.info">tread@stpetersparish.info</a>. Booking deadline 28th April!

Revision of the Electoral Roll (ER): Everyone listed on our ER is eligible to attend, and vote at, our Annual Parochial Church Meeting taking place on 21st May. Anyone who is not already listed and wishes to be entered on the ER should fill out an application form, available from church or the Parish Office before 23rd April.



<u>Café on the Green:</u> The next café is on Saturday 22nd April from 9am-2pm in St. Peter's Primary School, Limefield Rd, BL1 6LA. Supporting work in Kenya, providing operations for children with cleft lips and palates. *Everybody welcome*.

Building a Stronger Church: In early 2023 a new Buildings and Maintenance Committee was established which has the task of looking at improvements to the facilities that the church offers. This includes new carpets, lighting, windows, toilets, access improvements and general upkeep of St Peter's Church and the Parish Centre. The committee are keen to hear from anyone with skills that may be of use in the upkeep of our facilities on either a professional or volunteer basis. They are particularly keen to hear from anyone with a mini digger as we look to make the church car park more accessible and a little less muddy! Please contact the committee using wardens@stpetersparish.info email address or speak to a Church Warden.