MAY 2024

SUN 5th 10.30am. Worship led by John Latham. Elder Hampton Hill.

SUN 12th 10.30am Worship led by the Minister Revd Stephen Lewis.

Chestnut Sunday, Bushy Park, Diana Fountain 12.00 - 4.00pm.

Christian Aid Week 12th - 18th

Sat 18th Christian Aid Week Coffee morning.

SUN 19th 10.30am worship led by James Smith, Wallington.

SUN 26th 10.30am. Worship led by Rev'd Stephen Lewis. Church Meeting

JUNE

SUN 2nd 10.30am. Worship led by Louise Bland, The Well, Ashford.

THURS 6th 80th 'D Day' Anniversary.

SUN 9th 10.30am. Worship led by The Minister Rev'd Stephen Lewis, Holy Communion.

SAT 15th. Coach trip to Portsmouth

SUN 16th 10.30am. Worship led by Paul Hollingum, Sanderstead URC.

SUN 23rd 10.30 am. led by Rev'd Antony Ball Isleworth Congregational Church.

SUN 30th 10.30am. Worship led by the Minister, Rev'd Stephen Lewis.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES..
OPEN TO ALL. JUST COME.

Sunday worship 10.30am. Informal weekly service, refreshments served.

Place to Play
Every Tuesday in term time
09.00 - 11.00

for toddlers parents and carers
All welcome. Donation £3.00 a family.

Bereavement Café,
Tea'n chat, games, Scrabble tables:
Every Tuesday afternoon
1.30 to 3.30. Open to all.

Community Choir:
Come and 'sing for fun'.
Thursdays in term time
from 7.30 - 9.30pm.
New members always welcome.

Coffee and Company
Every Saturday from 10.30 - 12.00
Open House; a chance to meet and chat.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
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HAMPTON HILL UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

Photo taken in Bushy Park by Robert, 2023.

This is a time when 'helping our neighbour' is essential. We will celebrate those who gave their lives for our freedom in 1944 on the beaches of Northern France. Together today we can build the caring community they dreamt of.

The Church on the High Street
Newsletter and Calendar
May & June 2024
Open to and for everyone.

Christian Aid Week 12th - 18th May. Invites us to push back against poverty, to serve our brothers and sisters 'in extremis' wherever they might be. Many of the families supported through Christian Aid are already in poverty and now exposed to the devastating consequences of climate change. We can make THE difference.

By giving to Christian Aid, we are saying to the leaders of the nations that serving others really is THE priority. We can create a more caring and loving world. Small acts of kindness have an impact beyond our imagining. Your kind, generous gift, alongside many millions of other people changes lives.

This year your 'church on the High Street' is holding a **Christian Aid Coffee Morning on Saturday 18th May.** Come along, see the stalls, buy some homemade cakes, enjoy good company and be encouraged to meet other 'neighbours' who care wherever they may be. Helping others, serving with a smile, are signs of the love of God. Helping one another comes naturally. The alternative of not helping, seeking to exploit other people, attacking ever more aggressively, seeking to create barriers that divide us has been tried. It clearly brings no joy, no happiness and no peace. It doesn't work.

Let's try something else. Jesus put it quite simply; teaching us to 'love our neighbour!'

Day trip to Portsmouth - Saturday June 15th. The coach will leave the church at 9.00am to return (traffic permitting) between 7.00 and 8.00pm. In partnership with Hounslow URC you are invited to join us; tickets £20.00. This historic city is home to the Mary Rose, HMS Victory and beaches. If you would like to come just pop in and ask.

In memoriam: Wilfrid Lindley

12 December 1920 - 24th January 2024.

The new excellent audio system together with the Loop for those with hearing aids is already making our services more engaging. Thanks to the generosity of Mr Wilfrid Lindley's family no one need strain to hear, no one feel left out. Paul Nicholson gave freely of his time and expertise to set up this first class system. There will be an occasion to dedicate the equipment and a small memorial plaque will remind us of Wilf's delight in music, worship and being part of our wider family.

12th May sees the renewal of Chestnut Sunday celebrations in Bushy Park. 2024 marks the 80th anniversary of D-Day landings. The planning for this 'force for freedom' by the Allied troops was planned in Bushy Park. Here is the reason for the strong US connection as General Eisenhower's HQ was here. There will be stalls and floats, no doubt several USA military vehicles as well as lots of fun for all the family. After. 80 years it is now our grandparents who went to war so that we might live freely, generously with people of all races and faiths. We still have work to do for their vision to be realised. Let's try to show 'love for our neighbour.'

Request for volunteers; some spare time?

As 'the church on the High Street' we run a number of groups for the community. It would be wonderful to offer more. As one example, there is no longer a Youth Club on the High Street - a place for young people to be welcome and relax.

We can provide full training and support but staffing our present activities is a real challenge. A few hours on a Tuesday would be most helpful. Would you like to meet people and make a difference? To find out more about ways you can help please email info@hamptonhillurc.org.uk Thank you.