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# CHURCH NEWS

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## April 2025

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***Sing Hosanna to the King of kings!***  
*(These palms are in Kew Gardens)*

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*This edition edited by Bron Robinson*

***A warm invitation is given to all who read this magazine to come and share in our services and activities, both in the building and on Zoom***

**Our Sunday Services:**

**10.00 – Worship** – also live-streamed (with Communion first Sunday monthly)

**11.30 – All Age Worship** (with Communion on the last Sunday monthly)

**17.00 – Reflective Worship** (with Communion on the third Sunday monthly)

On the **second Sunday** of each month a **combined service at 10.30** replaces the 10.00 and 11.30 services

**Tea and Coffee** are served between the 10.00 and 11.30 services and before the 10.30 service on the second Sunday

During the 10.00, 10.30 and 11.30 services there are **group activities for children** of all ages.

**Weekly:**

**Monday:**

10.00 Jolly Toddlers (except Bank Holidays)

10.00 Prayers on Zoom

12.30 Community Lunch (except Bank Holidays)

**Tuesday:**

10.00 Prayers on Zoom

10.30 Knitting & Crocheting (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays monthly)

**Wednesday:**

10.00 Tots' Praise

10.00 Prayers on Zoom

13.30 Lunch-time Service

**Thursday:**

10.00 Prayers on Zoom

20.00 The Thursday Club on Zoom

**Friday:**

10.00 Prayers on Zoom

**Saturday:**

10.00 Prayers on Zoom

**Monthly:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday** 19.30 Elders' Meeting

**3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday** 09.00 Women's Breakfast

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday** 11.30 Church Meeting

**Quarterly:**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday** 14.00 Crafternoons

**School Holidays:**

**Wednesdays** 11.00 The Generation Zone

**The Sanctuary** is open for private prayer, with access via the Foyer.

**Our Foyer** is normally open every weekday and Saturday from 11.00 until 14.00 for coffee and tea.

**A Problem or Concern?** There is sometimes a listener available in the Foyer; if not, please speak to the coffee server or contact Lesley Charlton.

**Events to look out for in April 2025:**

**Holy Week services (see next page)**

**Sundays 18.00 Lent Sermons at All Saints (see next page)**

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>: *It is Well with My Soul – the musical* at Teddington Baptists (see page 11)**

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup>: Mary's and Martha's Group Coffee Morning at 10am**

***Please also see the e-mailed Weekly Notices.***

## **Lent 2025 – Speaking of God**

A leaflet giving full details of this year's sermons and discussion groups involved All Saints, St John's Church, St John the Baptist and KURC, is available in the foyer.

### **Sermons at 6pm Choral Evensong at All Saints, Kingston**

(Remaining dates at time of Church News going to press)

23 March Dorothy Moore Brooks, Hospital Chaplain

30 March James Walters, University Chaplain

6 April Steve Nolan, Hospice Chaplain

Join in person or watch via YouTube. Search for "All Saints Kingston: Services"

**Lent Discussion Groups** will reflect on the previous Sunday's sermon.

Each group are meeting for 5 weeks from the week beginning 10 March to the week beginning 7 April. Sessions normally last 1½ hours.

(See leaflet in the foyer for full details.)

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## **Holy Week and Easter**

There will be a Zoom reflection each evening in Holy week at 7pm

Maundy Thursday, 17 April: supper is at the Methodist church at 6pm

Good Friday, 18 April:

10am: Hot cross buns

11am: Walk of witness

12 noon: Ecumenical worship

1pm: Messy Church

2pm: Meditation at the foot of the cross

Easter Day, 20 April:

Holy communion at 6.30am, 9am 11am and 5pm

Between the morning services there will be breakfast

During Holy Week we will be using the hymnody of John Campbell to explore the story. We are grateful for John sharing his expertise with us.

## Letter from Lesley



Dear All

Once upon a time we had to spend our time looking out for what was wrong in a situation so that we could be ready when a sabre tooth tiger came to get us. Ready to run. Always on the lookout for threats and problems.

For the living of modern life, some of that instinct is useful. Is this a scammer? Am I safe to walk down this dark alley? But for much of life, that focus on what is wrong and who did it is unhelpful and harmful. It damages others and it damages us.

We take the good that people do for granted. We are slow to stop to appreciate and thank. We are focussed on the errors and the mistakes rather than celebrating the good. Gratitude has to be an intentional practice.

The problem is that to be thankful has to be deliberate. Who shall we thank today? Errors we spot easily and quickly. The thing being done well, as we would expect it, we do not pause to be grateful for.

Who are we thankful for today? What are we thankful for? Have we said so? Have we told them?

Thank you, God, for flushing toilets? Thank you, God, for clean water in our taps. Thank you, God, for my friends. Thank you for songs to sing. Thank you for concerts to go to. Thank you for musicians. Thank you for the range of hymnody in the British church. Thank you for the range of food in the shops.

Let me ask you this question....after each of those thanks did you add a 'yes but'? Did you say, yes but the water is not as clean as it should be. Or yes but my friends are flaky or dead or they do not step up. Thank you for hymnody....yes but why have I got to sing those traditional/modern hymns that I do not like?

If that was you, then maybe you have a challenge. Life, right from the garden of Eden, has not been perfect. Good but not perfect. Perfection will never happen this side of heaven. We need to be people doing God's will to try and make things better, aware of our fallenness and the fallenness of those that we work with. Grateful for those who are doing their best and expressing it.

Yours  
**Lesley**

## Church Secretary's Chat



As I write this, I have been a great grandmother for 7 days.

I know that not every woman will get this to add to their many titles, but this one is a gift that is completely out of my control.

Alan and I chose to have three children, and God was with us as each precious baby was born. From then on, the addition of family titles was not chosen by me.

What do I do with that? Do I question whether I have the capacity to support and be a part of a nurturing community? Or, do I put my trust in God to guide me towards good relationships with my family and all the people that I meet?

When we welcome new people to our church do we, personally, wonder if we have can spare the time to develop a new relationship and hope that there is someone else who can do it? It is a delight that most weeks someone new visits our worship services and it is a joy when they are greeted so well. Thank you to all who actively offer a welcome.

As our website states;

*We are a community that shares God's love and joy in the hope of making the world a better place.*

**Cathy Seymour**



Isabelle holding her mum's hand from day one.

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## Sally's Stories



The photos below were taken at the Mary's and Martha's Group (Women's Group) in March:

*Food, sharing memories, singing and hearing God's Word.*

The next Mary's and Martha's dates for your diaries are:

Coffee Morning on Saturday 12 April at 10am

Breakfast on Saturday 10 May at 9am.

Note that this is the **SECOND** week of the month and not the usual **THIRD** week.



**Sally Butler**

## Pastoral News as at 19<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Out of care for people's privacy,  
names are not included in the  
Pastoral News section of the online  
Church News

### **Prayer**

*Loving God, you have given your life for us. Forgive us as we may not have been the people you would like us to be. Maybe we have lost our temper, snapped without a second thought, or become impatient over something trivial. Probably we have taken our stress out on other people. Perhaps we have not noticed a person whose needs are far greater than our own. Oh God, we are sorry. Forgive us. Remind us that you love us. Enfold us with your grace and open my minds and hearts to hear again your call to follow you. You know us and forgive us and during this Lent period, may we grow nearer to you. Accept our praise and worship as you make the agonising journey to the cross. Amen.*

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**Stuart Chandler will be editing May's Church News.  
Articles and photos to Stu please by Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> April 2025  
Stu\_chandler@hotmail.com**

## Message from the Premises Manager

We welcome everyone who uses our building either for worship, work, an activity or event or for a place of rest and conversation. It is not easy for the premises team to manage the needs of church members/friends alongside clients or visitors who are paying to use our building.

The premises team work hard to clean and prepare rooms, halls and the kitchen for clients and to provide them with a professional and welcoming environment. It makes our jobs difficult when others coming into the building Monday to Saturday do not respect what the staff are doing.

Recently and more frequently church members/friends use spaces in the building for their personal use without first asking a member of the team if this room is available. Please can I remind everyone that it is my responsibility as Premises Manager to run the building between Monday to Saturday and communication is key in ensuring the building and those using and working in the building are respected.

Included in this is the use of the vestry. The vestry is a private space for Lesley, Suk In and Carol to work and meet and I ask that their space is treated accordingly.

I also remind people that taking items from the building home by mistake, has consequences when the staff cannot find what is needed for a client booking.

We are blessed to have volunteers like David who help behind the coffee servery and with many jobs that require a strong, tall person. Please remember David and Georgi are not here to clean up after you and, if you use the kitchen for personal use, it is your duty to wash and put away any dishes or pots used.

And finally – I enjoy my conversations with everyone who comes into my office for a chat. Please remember I have a lot of work to get through and my office is **not a space to gossip** or speak negatively of those working or using our building. If anyone has concerns or problems about me or the staff or how things are done on a Sunday, they should only speak to Lesley, Suk In or Cathy.

I know this article has been a heavy one, but a necessary one. I appreciate each and every one of you and what you bring to the life of this church. I am taking my annual leave and visiting my parents in South Africa and won't be around for the first 3 weeks of April. I wish you all a very blessed Easter.

***Catherine Treweek  
PA to Lesley / Premises Manager***



## FLOWERS FOR APRIL 2025



|          |                                  |
|----------|----------------------------------|
| 6 April  | June Martin                      |
| 13 April | Madge Cole                       |
| 20 April | Easter workshop and Shirley Davy |
| 27 April | Liz and Alistair Borthwick       |

*Janine Goddard*

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## Homes for Ukraine Scheme

As most of you know, we have been hosting Tania and Zlata from Ukraine for nearly three years. Early on it may have taken us a little time to get know each other, timing use of bathroom, agree use of common spaces etc. But generally it has been no problem sharing our house with people in need of accommodation, so they can get on and work and study.

Maybe this would suit you? Some additional company in your house?

**Another need:** We have been made aware of another Ukrainian mother and her niece, looking for accommodation in the area, Can you help? They have to leave their current accommodation due to the house changing hands.

If you do this, the government provides £350/month as support for giving up your rooms and contribution towards utility bills etc.

There is more information here [Homes for Ukraine: sponsor guides - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/guides/homes-for-ukraine)

We (Lesley and Ray) have found this to be a positive experience and Ray would be willing to speak to you should you have any questions and want to explore this further (Ray's number: 07785 220369).

*Ray and Lesley Charlton*

## Christian Aid Week activities 9th – 17th May 2025

*Here's a look ahead to Christian Aid Week – please put the dates in your diary now!*

### **9th May - at 7pm. Our Christian Aid Quiz - at the URC**

£10 per person pay at event, cash or card. There will be a light snacks and a paying bar and a cash raffle. If you have any unwanted gifts for the raffle please let Ray Charlton know.

### **11th - 18th May - Drop Off Only Envelopes**

For your road, if you would like to drop off envelopes and be a Post Box for their return please speak to Ray – this is really easy to do!

### **Dancing and Street Collection - Saturday 17th May**

Clarence Street – Starts 12:45 with practice in our Hall from 11:00

12:45 - 13:00 Singing then

13:00 - 13:30 Dancing 70,000 steps

We need over 25 people dancing to our "Favourite dancing tune". It gets the most votes every year and everyone says: "I am really looking forward to doing it again next year!"

Please come and join in: if you can wiggle you can do this!  
We need dancers and also people to collect money.

**Ray Charlton**



Some of last year's dancers. Come on – you know you want to join in!

## Key Points from the March Church Meeting (9 March 2025)

- Elders' election: names will be brought to the church shortly
- Building update: agreed to fund an additional £85,000 towards the roof and window works. Please speak to Cathy if you would like to be involved in the fund-raising group.
- The 2025/26 budget from the Treasurer and the elders was agreed
- Our safeguarding policy was adopted (no change from last year's)
- No change to the procedure for the offertory at church services but the envelope scheme is to be invigorated
- Membership: a number of people will be received into membership in due course
- Dates of next meetings: Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April (lunch), Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> May 2025 (more formal meeting) – please put them in your diary.

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April 7:00pm  
Teddington Baptist Church

Tickets £6 at Eventbrite





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IT IS  
**WELL**  
WITH MY  
**SOUL**

THE MUSICAL

THE TRAGIC TRUE STORY  
BEHIND ONE OF THE MOST  
BELOVED HYMNS OF ALL TIME

*From Teddington Baptist Church:*

We have an exciting event coming up at Teddington Baptist Church on the evening of Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April, when we are hosting the London tour date of

### ***It Is Well With My Soul – the musical***

<https://www.itiswellmusical.com/>

It promises to be a wonderful evening – an opportunity for both great entertainment and to hear the gospel message. The suggested age range is 7+

Tickets are £6 and can be purchased through this [link](#):

Or type: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/it-is-well-with-my-soul-the-musical-tickets-1147272365529>

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## Generation Zone

There are lots of photos from the first Generation Zone held on 19<sup>th</sup> February on our KURC facebook page. Here is a little flavour below!

The next Generation Zone will take place during May school holiday week:  
Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> May, 11am to 1pm.



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## Prayer for activists

*By Global Justice Now*

Commitment  
for **Life**

Life-giving Faith | Defiant Hope | Generous Love

Dear God, we at Global Justice Now come to you with heavy hearts, seeking peace in a world overwhelmed by conflict and violence. We pray for an end to war and the suffering it brings, and for the courage to stand against the forces of oppression and injustice.

We ask for your guidance in our efforts to address the root causes of conflict, including the unchecked power of corporations that fuel climate change and perpetuate inequality.

Help us to challenge their greed and exploitation, and to create a world where all people can live with dignity and respect.

We pray for the people of Gaza, and all those who suffer daily under the weight of state violence and oppression. Give them strength and resilience in the face of adversity and help us to stand in solidarity with them as they struggle for freedom and justice.

We thank you for the work of activists across the world, who tirelessly advocate for a more just and peaceful world. Bless their efforts and multiply their impact, so that together we may build a world where peace reigns and all people can thrive. Amen.

*Credit: image by Şeyma D, Pexels*



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*The following interview with Ed Davey MP (Member of Parliament for Kingston and Surbiton and leader of the Liberal Democrat party), was published in **Prospect** magazine and spotted by Christine Thompson. This is freely available to all online [here](#) and content is copied below for those who do not have online access.*

## **Ed Davey: The campaign stunts my team vetoed**

*The Liberal Democrat leader on how far he'd go to spread his party's message.*

By Prospect Team, January 29, 2025

### **What is the biggest problem of all?**

Right now, what worries me most is the rise of populism, nationalism and extremism in countries around Europe and the wider world. It's certainly not what we need to tackle the big threats posed by climate change or the aggression of Putin, let alone challenges such as AI or China as a new superpower.

### **If you could spend a day in one city or place at one moment in history, what would that be?**

I would love to go back and stand amongst those crowds outside Buckingham Palace on 8th May 1945, celebrating victory in Europe and the defeat of the Nazis. After so many dark, painful years of death and destruction, the sheer relief that it was finally over must have been incredible.

### **What is your favourite quotation?**

There's a powerful quote by the great Liberal John Stuart Mill (sadly often - misattributed to the Conservative philosopher Edmund Burke): "*Bad men need nothing more to compass their ends, than that good men should look on and do nothing.*"

### **Which of your ancestors or relatives are you most proud of?**

My mother, and how she kept smiling and kept her kindness, despite being widowed young with three sons under 10, and then being struck down herself with a most painful form of cancer. Her resilient warmth and determination have been my inspiration.

### **What have you changed your mind about?**

I used to think social, economic and political progress was inevitable—and the battle was over the pace and precise nature of improvement. The last 15 or so years have shown me how wrong I was.

### **Care policy is important to you. What is the one change you'd implement tomorrow if you could?**

A massive step change in the way we support family carers. They are too often - forgotten and ignored by people in power, but without them our whole NHS and care

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system would collapse. People looking after their loved ones deserve far more support, with their finances, with respite breaks and with juggling work with their caring responsibilities.

**With the Bath Philharmonia Young Carers' Choir, you tried for a number one single at Christmas. What was that experience like?**

It was truly magical. First to hear “Love Is Enough”, our fantastic song written by a group of young carers and former young carers, and then to get the chance to record it with them and perform together on the brilliant TV programme Loose Women and even on Downing Street outside Number 10. To see what that meant to these young people and witness their incredible talents and enthusiasm. And then to see the wonderfully warm response we got, the chord it struck with people and the recognition it generated about the amazing job young carers do and the challenges they face.

As well as being a really humbling experience, it was fun as well, especially our whacky marketing push for the Number 1 slot. Although that ultimately failed—Wham! and a few other artists somehow beat us—I now have a better insight into TikTok... and a dim understanding of phrases like “Leader of the Rizz Dems” and “Main Character Energy”.

**What wouldn't you do to spread your party's message?**

The two things that got vetoed during the election were wing-walking and putting my hand up a cow's behind—both, apparently, for health and safety reasons. The truth is, if it's legal and decent, my kind comms team seem happy to consider it and give me just enough time not to be able to say “no”. I'm so looking forward to the next election campaign.

**What do you most regret?**

I'm not sure if I regret this so much as wonder what life might have been like had I made a different choice over MI6's attempt to recruit me. I was sorely tempted, though, ultimately, my reflection on the two-hour interview at an address in Carlton Gardens led me to conclude that a decade or two of half-truths to friends and family, and a life full of concealment and ambiguity, was less attractive than working as the economics adviser to the then senior Liberal Democrat team of Paddy Ashdown and Alan Beith.

## Child Action Lanka (CAL) – Sri Lanka

Some people did not see my photos and posts whilst I was volunteering with Child Action Lanka and a few have asked me how they can donate.

I was in Sri Lanka for 4 weeks and volunteered for 3 of those. We travelled and visited 7 of their 9 centres.

They worked us hard as volunteers and packed in activities for myself and the two friends I went with. I was asked to decorate in a few centres, cook meals, do basic carpentry to create small work tables for under 6 yr olds. I set up and ran a few craft sessions, again for the pre-school children; and frighteningly, they asked my to prepare and run two workshops on Leadership for the older children. This I had to deliver via translators but the children were fully engaged and made a presentation at the end of the class on issues important to them, which included Poverty, Pollution, Litter, Environment and Care of the Elderly. The children were aged 7-17 yrs old and they were thoughtful presentations.

Here are a few of the many photos I took.



Dancing with the young adults at the ESN Centre.



Parents information session under an old Banyan tree. It was 34°C and humid.



Smile!



A lovely welcome at the Galle Centre



Pleased with the presentation of a Bluetooth Speaker bought with donations given to me

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The new bus at Batticaola which our church helped fund



This was my last bit of decorating hence I look relaxed (8 hrs earlier not quite so!)



Teaching basic MS Word and getting the class to prepare a C.V. Then running a leadership workshop.



Relaxing with a book at the end of the trip.



Eventually the last pizzas go in. They asked me to prepare pizzas for 10 and as I was cooking they informed me 28 people were there! This is typical here, things change quickly and you need to be flexible.



Monkeys are everywhere and you need to be vigilant if they are near, as they will take anything.

I have set up a new JustGiving page to enable donations to be made.

For your info: all money donated via JustGiving goes to the charity. They (JG) ask for a separate donation to cover their costs in providing the enabling technology. This is an option for you and they recover GA for the charity if you are a UK taxpayer.

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Many thanks in advance for your donations and for those made previously for the Bus. If you need any more information or help please speak to me.



[Ray's fundraiser Child Action Lanka via the Epiphany Trust justgiving.com](https://www.justgiving.com/page/ray-charlton-3?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL)

You can click on the link (left) if viewing this in electronic form.  
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or scan the QR Code (right)



Many thanks

**Ray Charlton, Tel: 07785220369**

## Volunteering with the Leprosy Mission

Dear Friend

I writing to you in my capacity as Chair of the Board of Trustees to ask if you will please circulate our vacancies amongst your congregation.

This is a strategic and exciting time to join The Leprosy Mission; we have a strong and committed group of Trustees who bring a wealth of experience and expertise to support the governance and future direction of the organisation. Sadly we have a number of trustees, including myself, who are nearing the completion of their tenure.

Following a recent review, we are seeking to appoint three Trustees to join us, particularly in the areas of fundraising, finance or digital marketing / communications. [More details about the position can be found here.](#)

As you know we are an explicitly Christian charity. The ethos, function and decision-making of the Board is in keeping with the teaching and ministry of Jesus. Trustees must therefore be committed and mature Christians, able to demonstrate a personal commitment to Jesus Christ which is reflected in their devotional life and involvement in a Christian community.

Joining our Board provides an excellent opportunity to make a real difference to the lives of people affected by leprosy and to gain valuable experience in being part of a forward-thinking team.

So, please do share this opportunity and join me in prayer that God will bring the right people forward to join the Trustee team.

With kind regards and blessings

**Anne Fendick, Chair – Board of Trustees**

## KURC Men's Lunch

Our picture shows the re-inauguration of KURC's men's lunches, following a somewhat lengthy siesta in the wake of the Covid pandemic. If you are not already on the lunch mailing list but would like to receive details of future events, please contact:

Alistair Borthwick - email [alistair.borthwick@talktalk.net](mailto:alistair.borthwick@talktalk.net); phone 07930 762 853.

The next lunch gatherings are planned for 12th May and 9th July.




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## Smiles

A teacher asked her Sunday School class “If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale and gave all my money to the church, would I get to heaven?”. “NO!” all the children answered. “If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the lawn and kept everything neat and tidy, would I get to heaven?”. Again, the answer was “NO!”. “Well,” she continued, “then how do I get to the kingdom of heaven?”. From the back of the room a small boy shouted out “You’ve got to be dead!”.

Boss: “Do you believe in life after death?”

Employee: “No, I don’t – there is no proof of it.”

Boss: “Well there is now. After you left early yesterday to go to your uncle’s funeral, he came here looking for you.”

I’ve just become a bell-ringer at the local church. It was my first day; they’re just showing me the ropes.

When receiving payments in gold coins, pirates used to bite them to check their purity. Bitcoin goes way back.

In a society that has you counting money, calories, pounds and steps, be a rebel and count your blessings instead. *Lisa Heckman*.

*With thanks to Linda Austin for finding these!*

## Archive of the Month



Exactly fifty years ago we began demolishing the interior of our church sanctuary, to give us a more flexible and up-to-date worship space.

The principal task was to remove the enormous semi-circular gallery, typical of many Victorian nonconformist chapels, which was regarded as divisive: those people sitting in pews on the ground floor were unaware of who was above them, and vice versa.

Our photo shows the old gallery as viewed from the central pulpit. It was taken by Cecil Davis, who made a detailed photographic record of the old church buildings just before they disappeared.

***John Fisher***



## A Rocha UK's Easy Eco Tip for April 2025

### Spend time in nature

Spending time appreciating God's creation can be an act of worship. Nature can be experienced when we notice an insect, hear a bird sing, feel the earth beneath our hands or even when we watch a documentary.

There is strong evidence that nature is also good for our mental health. Try to immerse yourself in nature every day, even for just a few minutes and give thanks to God for His good creation. Further ideas can be found at [arocha.org.uk/ideasto-enjoy-nature](http://arocha.org.uk/ideasto-enjoy-nature)

For more practical ways to enjoy, nurture and defend nature, sign up to A Rocha UK's Wild Christian email: [arocha.org.uk/wild-christian](mailto:arocha.org.uk/wild-christian)





## International Bible Reading Association - [www.ibraglobal.org](http://www.ibraglobal.org)

### Bible Readings for April 2025

|                   |                   |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Tuesday 1 April   | 1 John 4:7-21     |
| Wednesday 2 April | John 1:10-18      |
| Thursday 3 April  | Ephesians 6:10-17 |
| Friday 4 April    | Romans 8:18-27    |
| Saturday 5 April  | Romans 8:28-39    |

### **THE GOSPEL OF LUKE (2)**

#### **1 The events of Holy Week**

|                   |               |
|-------------------|---------------|
| Sunday 6 April    | Luke 22:1-6   |
| Monday 7 April    | Luke 22:7-23  |
| Tuesday 8 April   | Luke 22:24-30 |
| Wednesday 9 April | Luke 22:31-38 |
| Thursday 10 April | Luke 22:39-46 |
| Friday 11 April   | Luke 22:47-53 |
| Saturday 12 April | Luke 22:54-62 |

#### **2 Holy Week continues**

|                               |               |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Sunday 13 April (Palm Sunday) | Luke 22:63-65 |
| Monday 14 April               | Luke 22:66-71 |
| Tuesday 15 April              | Luke 23:1-7   |
| Wednesday 16 April            | Luke 23:8-12  |
| Thursday 17 April             | Luke 23:13-25 |
| Friday 18 April (Good Friday) | Luke 23:26-49 |
| Saturday 19 April             | Luke 23:50-56 |

#### **3 Resurrection**

|                          |               |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| Sunday 20 April (Easter) | Luke 24:1-8   |
| Monday 21 April          | Luke 24:9-16  |
| Tuesday 22 April         | Luke 24:17-24 |
| Wednesday 23 April       | Luke 24:25-35 |
| Thursday 24 April        | Luke 24:36-43 |
| Friday 25 April          | Luke 24:44-49 |
| Saturday 26 April        | Luke 9:28-36  |

### **TREES**

#### **1 Trees for life**

|                    |                  |
|--------------------|------------------|
| Sunday 27 April    | Genesis 2:8-10   |
| Monday 28 April    | Psalm 1          |
| Tuesday 29 April   | Ezekiel 47:6b-12 |
| Wednesday 30 April | Isaiah 41:17-20  |

## Kingston United Reformed Church – Information

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