

LAST SUNDAY's CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSES TO If GOD were he would  
 If GOD were a doctor he would heal all the sick and wounded  
 If GOD were a doctor he would heal all the sick  
 If GOD were a doctor he would care heal bless  
 If GOD were a nurse he would heal everyone no matter what  
 If GOD were a nhs worker he would help the sick and injured  
 If GOD was an invalid he would **accept** care with joy  
 If GOD were a person with learning disability GOD would be with them in their fragility  
 If GOD were an artist GOD would rejoice in what she created  
 If GOD was a seaman he would steer us through the storms'  
 If GOD was homeless he would provide shelter and security  
 If GOD was a child he would shout for joy and see the wonder adults miss  
 If GOD were a scientist GOD would find a cure for all ills  
 If GOD were an it support worker GOD would use the internet to spread his word to the whole earth  
 If GOD were a carer GOD would care for them as he would for himself , be thoughtful sensitive loving and know the time needed to find strength to continue  
 If GOD were a clown GOD would make everybody laugh  
 If GOD was a shopkeeper he would make sure no one was hungry  
 If GOD was a shopkeeper GOD would sell fair traded goods  
 If GOD was a gardener GOD would take care of the plants and flowers  
 If GOD was a gardener he would see people looked after their Garden  
 If GOD was a gardener GOD would share the produce fairly  
 If GOD was a gardener GOD would remove the weeds  
 If GOD was librarian GOD would encourage us to read  
 If GOD was a baker GOD would make cakes bread and other tasty treats for everyone  
 If GOD were a farmer GOD cause for the land to grow crops to fed us  
 If GOD was a farmer he would sow seeds  
 If GOD was a farmer GOD would feed everyone  
 If GOD were a farmer GOD would bring others in to help look after the sheep  
 If GOD were prime minister GOD would aim to bring world peace  
 If GOD was unemployed GOD would find useful work to do  
 If GOD was a taxidriver he would drive safely and not overcharge  
 If GOD were a member of Parliament GOD would listen to everybodys concern not just those who shout loudest  
 If GOD were a politician GOD would put the interest of the people ahead of GOD's own wants  
 If GOD were a politician GOD would rule justly and fairly  
 if GOD were a scientist GOD would know how to deal with climate change  
 If GOD was a postie GOD would deliver every single letter and not miss any out

**The COTTERIDGE CHURCH**  
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## WELCOME TO THE COTTERIDGE CHURCH

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

**Lent 3**

Eternal GOD,  
 give us insight  
 to discern your will for us,  
 to give up what harms us,  
 and to seek the perfection we are promised  
 in Jesus Christ our Lord.Amen

10.30am Holy Communion

Mike Claridge

Hymns 455 248 582 479 748

Readers Alison S Pam W

Readings Exodus 17 1-7 John 4 5-30 39-42

Music Gill B

Sound Tim S

**Activity Bags for young children are  
 available from the stewards**

**6.30 pm Lent Group 2**

**We pray for our pastoral links**

Boys' Brigade: with Phil A., Alex and Euan C., Rob S., Paul C., David D., and Craig. G

Alison S: with Chris and Giles A., and Cynthia B.

**Those in long term need** Joan C, Gill S,

Chris M, Beryl H, Jennifer M, Jackie J

**We pray for those who are ill or are in particular need**

Megan, Vinnie H, Mark T, Mary and Keith K, Robin, Shirley, Jenny F, David W, Norman and Philomena, Ken F  
 Lauren D., Geoff W, Keith, Lyn, Friedi  
 Dorothy T, Sue S, Fiona W.

Prayer Cards

**We remember those who have died**

Moira Jones

**COFFEE BAR**

**WEEKDAYS 8.30 TO 1.30**



**SATURDAY 10.00 TO 12.00**



**“The calling of The Cotteridge Church to respond to the Gospel of GOD’s love in Christ and to live out its discipleship in worship and mission.”**

### Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March

7.15 Catering Working Group

### Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March

10.00 Holy Communion Barbara Calvert

2.00 Fellowship Beetle Drive

6.15 Rainbows Brownies and Guides

7.45 Worship and Pastoral

### Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March

10.30 Lent Course 3

7.30 Worship on Zoom

### Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March

10.00 Knit and Natter

11.00 Mothers Day Celebration

### Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March

8.30 Saplings

10.00 Creation Station

6.15 Boys Bridage

### Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March

10.00 Coffee bar

10.30 Councillors and MP Surgery

10.00 Private Hire Malvern

### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March

Morning Worship Mothering Sunday

Mike Claridge

6.30 Lent Course 3

Lent Course

### Week 3 15<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> March



### Notices

#### Organ Voluntary

Please remain seated until the organ voluntary ends.

#### Flower

As Lent started on Ash Wednesday there will not be flowers in church until Mothering Sunday. Thank you everyone for all your support. Sandra Walton

Many of you will be aware that Mr Clive Babb, one of our members will be 100 on March 17th!! What an achievement. To celebrate this amazing special day, we are hoping to buy a Rose Tree, along with half wooden barrel to be placed at the front of our Church space. Please contribute via Sarah, Administrator or members of Joint Church Council

#### Photo Competitions

Winners 1<sup>st</sup> Shirley Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Norman Mann 3<sup>rd</sup> Sheila Boulds Next Competition Transport from water skis to Hot Air Balloons or anything inbetween.

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April Palm Sunday

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April Easter Sunday

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April Joint Church Council

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May 12.00 Bring and Share Lunch in the Cotswold Room plus the garden to celebrate Charles 3<sup>rd</sup> as the new head of state

14<sup>th</sup>- 20<sup>th</sup> May Christian Aid Week

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May Cotteridge Church AGM



### Bookcentre

#### A Range of Books for Lent



#### EASTER cards

Individually wrapped are now £1.50 or 4 for £5.00

Small cards in packs for 2.50

#### Fair trade Easter Eggs



Milk 4.99

dark 4.75

5.00



Thins Ginger 4.99 mint 4.99

Ethical Superstore are delivering boxes of divine chocolate and toilet rolls this week



The FAIRTRADE Mark is a registered certification label for products sourced from producers in lower income countries

Apparently there are three Interested Parties wishing to purchase the Traidcraft Brand Watch this space for further news

### Foodbank

Last week we received in 1439k and gave out 2573k feeding 336 clients on 142 vouchers The UK's leading poverty



charities have called for a change in the law to fix the UK's "failing"

welfare system after research revealed that basic benefits given to low-income households are at least £140 a month below the real cost of food, energy and everyday basics.

Urgent

UHT semi-skimmed milk, UHT whole milk, long-life fruit juice tinned vegetables (carrots, peas, sweetcorn), tinned meat (ham, corned beef, pork sandwich, pulled pork, chicken), cereal, liquid/bar soap, gender neutral shower gel, toothpaste

**Clients needing emergency food are referred to B30Foodbank by E-Voucher through a referral agent. Or call CITIZENS ADVICE 08082082138 Or call BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL on 0121 216 3030**

**Distribution of food Clients or their representatives will need to collect the parcels from B30Foodbank, Quaker Friends Meeting House 23a Watford Road B30 1JB on Tuesday and Friday between 1.30 and 3.30pm**

**enquiries [info@b30.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@b30.foodbank.org.uk) DONATIONS to the B30Foodbank at the Warehouse 17 Castle Road B30 3HZ on Tuesday and Fridays between 2.00 - 4.00pm**

**PHONE LINES CLIENTS 07582 143 972 FOR DONATIONS 07985 629 201 For Financial Donations**

**[B30](#) & South Birmingham Foodbank Lloyds Bank S/Code 30-98-97 A/c 68010562**