

Welcome to The Cotteridge Church

Sunday 14th February 2021:



The church building is currently closed for worship.

Lord, Jesus Christ, who reached across the ethnic boundaries between Samaritan, Roman and Jew, who offered fresh sight to the blind and freedom to captives, help us to break down the barriers in our community, enable us to see the reality of racism and bigotry, and free us to challenge and uproot it from ourselves, our society and our world. Amen

Our calling: "The calling of The Cotteridge Church is to respond to the Gospel of God's love in Christ and to live out its discipleship in worship and mission"

Readings: 2 Kings 2 .1-12

Psalm 50 .1-6

2 Corinthians 4 .3-6

Mark 9 .2-9

Readings for this week and next week, together with Bible Study notes, children's activity sheets, and a choice of worship material are available on the resource site www.mjclaridge.co.uk

Prayer Column

Events this Week

Wednesday 17th February

7:30 pm Worship on Zoom

Sunday 21st February

10:00 am Mike's Weekly Reflection (online)10:30 am Methodist District Worship (online)

12:00 pm Coffee (Zoom)

Notices for the Week

Women's World Day of Prayer

This year's service is on March 5th and is called "Build on a Firm Foundation" and looks at the islands on the other side of the world called Vanuatu. The service will be held virtually due to restrictions with contributions this year from St Nicolas, Hawkesley and Immanual, Kings Norton. More details soon.

Traidcraft at COTTERIDGE - Another order arriving today with toilet rolls, hibiscus jam, Nablus Organic Lemon Soap, Nablus Organic Pomegranate Soap, Nablus Organic Lemon

Soap. Fish 4 Ever Skip Jack Tuna Chunks in Brine. Tropical Wholefoods Organic Sundried Fairtrade Mango. 7364 Tropical Wholefoods Fairtrade Apricots. Holy Habits - Following Jesus £6.99 is the book for the Lent Course (see separate notice). An alternative book for Lent is Lent talks from BBC Radio 4, £6.99. Please ring Jane o7800815074 or Roger on 07721 526854 to order. Home delivery service available. NB: At last Living in Love and Faith has arrived 19.99

Praying through Change - is meeting by phone and email. The next meetings are January 26th; February 9th and 23rd; March 9th, 23rd and 30th. All at 10.30am. Details from Linda Mann: normanmann@blueyonder.co.uk or 0121 608 2088 or Hazel Nash: nash_hazel@hotmail.com or 0121 459 6823

Happy Birthday

Congratulations to Eira Hoadly and Ivor Ravenhill who each celebrate birthdays either side of this weekend. Everyone at The Cotteridge Church sends you love and prayers.

Edna Badland

We were saddened to hear of the death of Edna Badland last weekend. Our thoughts and prayers are with all who knew her.

Ash Wednesday, 17th February, 7.30pm.

This year's Ash Wednesday Service will be on Zoom (accessible by internet or by landline or mobile phone). Log-in details from Mike;s weekly letter or by emailing him.

B30 Foodbank – w/e February 6th 2021 How to get emergency food

Clients needing emergency food are referred to B30Foodbank by E-Voucher through a referral agent.

24 Pershore Road South, Birmingham, B30 3EJ Tel.:0121 433 5518 Email: administrator@thecotteridgechurch.org.uk **Or** call CITIZENS ADVICE 08082082138 Or call BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL on 0121 216 3030

Or call The Project on 0121 453 0606 Whats App 07974 106813

Distribution of food

Clients or their representatives will need to collect the parcels from B30Foodbank, Quaker Friends Meeting House 23aWatford Road B30 1JB on Tues. and Fri. 1.30 - 3.30pm.

Last Week

We received donations of 2240k and gave out 2072k 1093 to 99 clients and 979k to other foodbanks or similar.

Grateful thanks to those who organise road collections. Grange Road, Highbury Road, Featherstone Road Third Avenue, Selly Park Roads, Oakfarm Road, Northfield Road, and Maurice Road raised 522k. Interestingly individual donations raised 524k, the retail shops raised 1012k and religious donations came 222k.

Urgent list - UHT semi-skimmed milk (green), UHT whole milk (blue), porridge, potato smash, disposable razors, non-gender-specific shower gel, shampoo, sturdy bags for life.

Low in stock - Tinned meat (ham, corned beef, pulled pork, pork slices); tinned fruit in juice, tinned or packet custard (not powder), sugar (500g bags not kilo bags), instant coffee (not decaffeinated), jam, honey, peanut butter, long-life fruit jugs, tinned tomatoes, tinned spaghetti, tinned rice pudding, pasta sauces, tinned fish (not tuna), soap bars, toothbrushes (single or pairs wrapped), toothpaste, sanitary towels (not tampons).

Well stocked and do not need - Baked beans, tea bags (40 or 80 bags), pasta shapes, dry spaghetti, instant hot chocolate (made up with water, not milk), tinned macaroni cheese, tinned vegetables and pulses, tinned/packet soup, tinned tuna, tinned potatoes, rice, treats/snack bars, crisps, squash, tinned meat products (meat balls, sausages in beans, spaghetti Bolognese), dairy-free milks, gluten-free items, noodle pots/sachets, biscuits, cooking ingredients, eggs, decaffeinated drinks, large bottles of coke/pop, bottled water, pet food, baby food/milk/toiletries/nappies; toilet rolls, plastic carrier bags.

Cannot distribute anything with even a trace of alcohol.

Foodbank App. - The app is updated weekly. Go to your app provider and download Foodbank Redemption Media and then open B30.

Warehousing - is at 17 Castle Rd, Kings Norton Business Park, B30 3HZ. 2.00-4.00 on Tuesday and Friday.

B30 Foodbank, The Cotteridge Church, 24 Pershore Road South.

info@b30foodbank.org.uk 07582 143972 B30 Foodbank is part of the Trussell Trust's UK-wide foodbank network

Lent Study Group Thursdays 7.30-8.30 on Zoom

We'll be holding a Lent Course this year. The group sessions will be on Zoom but the booklets are 'self contained' and it's possible to participate by yourself if you wish. The course book is *Holy Habits following Jesus* - Price £6.99 and available via the bookcentre. Delivery can be arranged. If you would like a copy please let Roger or Jane know.

The Zoom sessions are:

February 25th (LENT 1) Jesus guided by Jesus March 4th (LENT 2) Jesus serving with gladness March 11th (LENT 3) Jesus sharing bread March 18th (LENT 4) Jesus praying March 25th (LENT 5) Jesus making disciples