

GOOD FRIDAY—Walk of Witness

This year **The Good Friday United Walk of Witness** will start at 10 am at *The Hub* (opposite the library on *The Orbital*) and move to an open-air service outside St John's at 10.30 am. Our musicians will lead the worship and Paul Freeland from *The Well* will preach.



Sunday
April 3 2022
Lent +5

Please pray for our church family

Mon	David & Jo Rudland & family	Fri	Carole Sawyer
Tue	Yvonne Rumble	Sat	Dave & Kathy Selwood
Wed	Amos & Cherry Sabling & family	Sun	Beryl Shakes
Thurs	Mark & Mel Sansome		



Services for Next Week and Holy Week

Sunday April 10	9am	Palm Sunday Holy Communion	Raymond Adams
	11am	Palm Sunday All Age Worship	Raymond Adams
Thursday April 14	7.30 pm	Maundy Thursday Holy Communion	Raymond Adams
Friday April 15	10 am	Good Friday Walk of Witness (see in blue above)	Raymond Adams

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Time	Service	Sermon	Readings
9.00 am	Holy Communion		
11.00am	Morning Worship Live streamed to YouTube	Tony Njoroge	Proverbs 25:14-19 Matthew 26:69-75

Out of The Ashes

Out of the Ashes is the creation of a pioneering husband and wife team from Gloucestershire – **Penny Lyon and Kevin Washburn**. They will be performing



with at least a six piece band accompanying them. They perform Jazz, R&B and Blues with Gospel Roots for a time of music and ministry.

Using music as part of their mission to stand for joy, healing and worth in the church, God has put it on their hearts to energise weary Christians and ailing congregations with a message of love, hope and renewed possibilities.

Out Of The Ashes comment on incisive topics that cut to the heart of the daily experience that most Christians face – bringing the one thing we all need right now - hope.

Tickets £10—to include beer cider and snacks

Prayer Ministry

Like so many things in our church life, Prayer Ministry fell victim to Covid. We want to restore that ministry to our Sunday services.

- We learn through the sermons.
- We worship in the songs.
- We intercede for the world in our prayers

But at times we need a personal touch or blessing from God in the tough parts of life, when people pray for us personally. If you have been part of the Prayer Ministry Team in the past and would like to get involved once again, please contact the parish office. We will be taking more about what it involves in the weeks ahead.

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The Trinity Lightship Sails Again!

(Metaphorically Speaking)

It was great to hear that 17 young people are hoping to join us for the adventure weekend aboard the *Trinity Lightship*. (Liz was speaking about this not long ago in church.) We did this trip back in 2019 and those who went had a brilliant time. There is so much more to the weekend than the ship itself, with lots of events designed to really set the heart racing.



In order to bring the cost down for the children who will be going on the weekend, we will be doing some fund raising events in the summer. This will allow our young people can get involved in raising the finances for the trip.

Before Covid, our mission statement said that we want to be “a thriving church”. Despite Covid, our older group has reached double figures twice recently. New members are joining and the *Quiet Room* is full of young voices.

We get a similar sense of numerical “thriving” going on behind the blue curtain on Sunday mornings. That is the sound of a living church. It means that groups need to be suitable for the age of the children involved. If God is blessing us with children in church, we need to respond. If we do not look after them, we cannot expect him to send them.

Assistant leaders are hugely important to our growth as a church family. If you would like to be part of our thriving, we would love to hear from you.

Ruby Wedding Anniversary

Paul and Carol Nichol will be celebrating their Ruby Wedding Anniversary on Sunday 3rd April. Many congratulations to you both!

