

Dear Friends,

31st July 2020

In the hall at Great Missenden School where we usually lead assembly every Monday, there are several statements on the wall about values and faith. One of them reads: "The world is a good place" and I'm always struck how I am encouraged as I read that. I think it's true and it continues to be true as we adapt and do our best to keep each other safe in these ever-changing times.

This Sunday our Gospel reading for Communion is the Feeding of the 5000. I talked at the Open Air Communion about how I keep being drawn to this passage – for what it says and helps us to explore about Jesus with us, about generosity, inclusivity, meeting human needs, children starting things off and how we can join in with and help sustain the world as a good place.



On Sunday, 8am Communion will be livestreamed from a clergy home; 10am Communion is pre-recorded and will be at www.facebook.com/greatmissendenchurch and at www.missendenchurch.org.uk/video from 9:58am but not under the 'live' tab so you won't see who else is watching unless they comment*; and 6pm is Evensong in church (just come – no need to 'book') with a livestream so long as technology allows. We're encouraging face coverings in church where



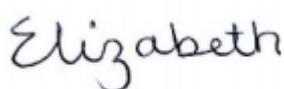
possible. Please see the newsheet for other practical points about church and Covid safety, parish office opening, and the running and cycling challenges which Harriet and Helen successfully completed. *please phone Elizabeth if you have any difficulty finding the 10am*

During the week, Short Morning Prayer continues at 9.30am on Monday, with a Thought for the Day on Wednesday at 9.30am and Short Evening Prayer at 5pm on Friday – all live on Facebook and uploaded to the website at www.missendenchurch.org.uk/video shortly after.

Please continue to pray about and consider whether the role of Church Warden, PCC Secretary, or Volunteer Book keeper/Finance Officer could be for you or someone you know, and get in touch if you would like to chat about what's involved and how you could shape the role and what we do. We're also looking for help with two new things: Track & Trace Volunteers to use their smartphone to check people in for services, and Cleaning Volunteers to spend about 20 minutes in small team wiping down all the pews used after services (gloves and equipment provided, and we aren't asking you to help every week).

Do get in touch if you'd like a chat, a prayer or help. We will write again next week.

With our love and prayers,



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