



Weekly News

31st May 2020

Day of Pentecost

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St Peter's Church, Cambridge Road, Harrogate, HG1 1PB

An interview with Sam Corderoy, Director of Harrogate Hub

What's been happening with the Hub in the last few months?



There has been a huge amount of change since the start of 2020. The biggest thing is that we sold our building on Oxford Street to *Artizan International*, who do amazing work with people who are differently abled. This has meant that we can now focus on helping churches work together more effectively on mission. Since the start of the year we've been involved in town-wide Alpha, co-ordinating churches' responses to the coronavirus and setting up a 24/7 virtual prayer room. We've also formed

a team comprising all the youth leaders from across the churches – there's an exciting eagerness to work together to reach young people in our town.

How did you get involved in the first place, and what's your role now?

At the start of December, I felt what I can only describe as a calling. I didn't really know anything about The Hub or what it did, but the pull was so strong that I approached the trustees about the potential for a role. It was a real step of faith and I was very nervous. My role now is to network with churches across town so that we can share resources and work together more effectively on mission.

What are you excited about for the future?

I'm excited about so many things! I know that times are difficult at the moment, but I believe that God uses these things for good. He transforms us in ways we wouldn't have imagined. I'm also very hopeful about the fact that the Acts church grew exponentially even though they had no buildings! I can't help but wonder what God's going to do through his church at this time.

Sam spoke to Alan Garrow, Vicar of St Peter's Church; she will be our preacher on Pentecost Sunday at our online services.

Readings for Sunday 31st May

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Whit Sunday (BCP)

Old Testament Numbers 11 v 24 - 30

Gospel John 20 v 19 - 23

Epistle Acts 2 v 1 - 21



Following on from last week's article about Mental Health Awareness Week, this local Christian charity has been in touch:

A plea for help from Wellspring Therapy and Training

In the past you have kindly supported **Wellspring Therapy & Training** the mental health counselling charity based in Starbeck.



With the aid of your enormous generosity, we raised the £1,000,000 we needed to move into our new, fit-for-purpose, premises and the effect has been spectacular. Last year we were able to support more than **700 children, young people and adults suffering from emotional distress.**

Then came the virus, with results that have been predictable. Our income streams have suffered at the very time the demand for our services has soared.

Lockdown has been **devastating** for mental health - bereavement, anxiety, stress, depression, stifling home environment, job insecurity, financial uncertainty - the list goes on and on.

We need your help like never before.

Any gift, small or large, will be a lifesaver. If you can help, please go to the Wellspring website: <http://www.wellspringtherapy.co.uk> and hit the DONATE button.

On the website you will also find a lot more information about Wellspring and how we are responding to the crisis. You can also follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

Please help if you possibly can.

St Peter's Church continues ...

St Peter's Church is closed for all purposes except for:

The Breakfast Club, which provides a free, takeaway breakfast from Monday to Saturday (8:20 – 8:45 am) for all those who are hungry or in need. A hot takeaway

Sunday Lunch is available at St Peter's Church each week from 1:00 – 1:30 pm.

Hot takeaway food, tins and whatever else we have to give away is from 4:00 – 5:00 pm every day.

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Nicky Aitken, Pat Anderson, Ruth Bowes, Mary Burcher, Louise Emrullahu, Cathy Fuller, Pam Gardiner, Vicky Harrison, David Hipkin, Caroline Kelly, Sian Lockwood, Charlie Martineau, Peggy Palmer, Sheila Pantin, Alan Richardson, Michele Roszak, Frances Roxby-Proud and Colin Sinclair.

Also in our prayers this week:

- Mon** All healthcare workers
Doctors and nurses
- Tues** All who are affected by
Coronavirus COVID-19
Local businesses who have had to close and are worried about their future
- Wed** The team preparing and serving
Sunday Lunch
Staff and patients at Harrogate Hospital
- Thurs** All our emergency services
The fire and rescue service
- Fri** Those who are leading our nation
Her Majesty, the Queen
- Sat** Paul Medforth, Churchwarden
The NHS volunteers delivering essential medicines and supplies

Daily Readings

Morning Prayer is at 8:00 am and Evening Prayer at 5:00 pm daily. These are the Bible readings we will be using in Church each morning this week. Why not read them at home if you are unable to come to the service?

- Mon** *The Visit of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth*
Psalm 85
1 Samuel 2 v 1 - 10
Mark 3 v 31 to end
- Tues** Psalm 132
Joshua 2
Luke 9 v 28 - 36
- Wed** Psalm 119 v 153 to end
Joshua 3
Luke 9 v 37 - 50
- Thurs** *Petroc, Abbot of Padstow*
Psalm 143
Joshua 4 v 1 – 5 v 1
Luke 9 v 51 to end
- Fri** *Boniface, Bishop, Martyr*
Psalm 142
Joshua 5 v 2 to end
Luke 10 v 1 - 16
- Sat** Psalm 147
Joshua 6 v 1 - 20
Luke 10 v 17 - 24

The Collect for Pentecost Sunday

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Or

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, ignite in us your holy fire; strengthen your children with the gift of faith, revive your Church with the breath of love, and renew the face of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Kingdom Reflexions

10:30 am Wednesday 3rd June



Come to chat and reflect
on the Lord's Prayer together -
bring a coffee, Bible, pen and paper



Zoom meeting ID : 825 4320 8122

Password: 165473

Contact Sarah Martin 0791 325 9490 if you need to know more!

Thy Kingdom Come in Harrogate

TONIGHT - an evening for all-ages - St Mark's, Kairos, Harrogate Vineyard and St John's & St Luke's Churches are coming together to lead worship and prayer for the town of Harrogate. Watch via YouTube on Sunday 31st May at 7:00pm.

[Click here to join in!](#)

The Marriage Course

Navigating married life together

Starts Wed 10th June

7.30pm

With close confinement putting everything under the spotlight try this free online 7 week course for married couples or those who have lived together for a few years.

To register visit: theharrogatehub.org/marriagecourse

Topics covered:

Building Strong Foundations | The Art of Communication | Resolving Conflict
The Power of Forgiveness | The Impact of Family | Good Sex | Love in Action



The
Marriage
Course



St Peter's is continuing to give out food **every day** to those in need. If you would like to donate something - toiletries, tinned and dried food - please bring it to Church from 8:00 - 9:00 am on Mondays to Saturdays, 1:00 - 2:00 pm on Sundays or 4:00 - 5:00 pm daily.

Sanctuary is back this week!

The Zoom 'meeting' for members of our youth group, Sanctuary, to chat and catch-up is back next Sunday evening at 7:00 pm. The Bible Study Group starts on Wednesday 3rd June at 7:00 pm. If you are interested in joining them, please contact our Curate, Chris Clayton, for the links and passwords you'll need.

Financial Giving

If you would like to support us financially at this difficult time, please use these bank details to contribute by BACS:

St Peter's Church PCC Harrogate

account at Natwest Bank PLC

Sort Code: 53-50-21

Account No: 67137628

or **download a Planned Giving Form** from the website. **THANK YOU!**

Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (7th June) will be noon on Wednesday 3rd June. Please send any items (including photos) to Alan Garrow or to Marian Chambers (addresses below).

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