



Weekly What's-On

for the Chet Valley Churches 28 April 2024

in conjunction with our Info Sheet, available in church and at www.chetvalleychurches.org

Diary Dates

- Sun 28 9.30am Holy Communion, Chedgrave
10.30am Morning Worship, Hardley
10.45am Morning Worship, Loddon (St J)
6.30 for 7pm Last Sunday Praise, Loddon (St J)
- Mon 29 9am, Morning Prayer, Loddon (St J)
10am-12noon, Monday Mardles, Chedgrave
7pm, Study group, 4 Church View, Pits Lane
- Tue 30 9am, Morning Prayer, Hardley
- Wed 1 9am, Morning Prayer, Chedgrave
Noah's Ark for toddlers, St John's Chapel, Loddon
2.30pm Wednesday afternoon study group,
St John's Chapel, Loddon
- Thur 2 9am, Morning Prayer, Loddon (St J)
Noah's Ark Worship, Saxon House
12.30pm, Friends & Neighbours lunch and talk
3.45pm Xtra! service, St John's Chapel, Loddon
- Fri 3 9am, Morning Prayer, Sisland
- Sat 4 9am, Morning Prayer, Chedgrave

Advance dates

- May 11 Eco Fair and Plant Sale, Chedgrave
June 22 & 23 Loddon Open gardens
June 30 David's last services in the Chet Valley Churches—
benefice Communion for the 5th Sunday of the
month, and Last Sunday Praise

Prayers for this week

Pray for peace in our troubled world. Pray for those whose lives have been turned upside down by war, famine, disease or violence. Closer to home, pray for people you know whose lives have been turned upside down through the illness or death of loved ones.

Readings, Prayers and Services

Readings for today

Acts 8. 26-end
1 John 4. 7-end
John 15. 1-8
Psalm 22. 25-end

Prayer for today—Easter 5

Risen Christ,
your wounds declare
your love for the world
and the wonder of your risen life:
give us compassion and courage
to risk ourselves for those we serve,
to the glory of God the Father.

Services for next week—Easter 6

8.00am Holy Communion BCP, Sisland
9.00am Informal Communion, Chedgrave
10am-12noon Xpressions Cafe,
Chedgrave
10.45am Holy Communion, Loddon (St J)

Readings for next week

Acts 10. 44-end
1 John 5. 1-6
John 15. 9-17
Psalm 98

Urgent Prayers

To ask for urgent prayer either for yourself or for someone else, contact Ros Hoffmann on 01508 548200, email roshoffmann2011@gmail.com

News and Events

Who Wants What's-On?

Sharing news and information around our congregations and across the Chet Valley Churches is something a lot of people say is important. Do you want it to continue after June, when the present editor (Nina) leaves? The format doesn't have to be like the current What's-On—it could be simply an email that is sent to the 50 or so people who receive it currently. Would you be willing to write and send out short, interesting information items from details supplied by those who lead activities or run events? If so, might be you be the next co-ordinator of What's-On? To find out more, have a chat with Nina Owen on 01508 522993, news.chetvalleychurches@gmail.com

Friends and Neighbours

On the first Thursday of the month it is the day for Friends & Neighbours to meet in St John's Lecture Hall. This month's meeting will be at 12.30pm with a salad lunch (hoping the weather warms up!) followed by a talk by Lynton Johnson on the subject of Royal Commemorative China, from Queen Victoria to Elizabeth II.

Midweek Service for Ascension Day

This year's Ascension Day service (9 May) will take place within the context of our Xtra! service at 3.45, with refreshments served from 3.20pm. Do come. To find out more, contact David Owen or Alison Ball.

Chedgrave Fair

This year's Spring Fair is on 11 May, with the usual cakes, books/jigsaws and plant stalls, together with refreshments. There will also be two tombolas—one for bottles and one for other things! Donations for any of the stalls would be very welcome, and can be left in the church porch, or given to Roger Outlaw or Alison Ball. Other attractions that won't need donations include a craft stall, 'Splat the Rat!' and Eco exhibits and activities in the churchyard, some involving the local schools' Eco Council.

Planning for the Future

In the coming week David will be meeting with the ministry team, churchwardens and treasurers to talk about the way forward for the Chet Valley Churches after his retirement. It is important that systems and channels of communication are in place (or continue to be in place) so that the churches can continue to work together as a group, maximising each others' strengths. Not only is this the best way for rural churches to survive, but it also means that some of the burden of organisation can be shared. We have formed good relationships among our churches—let's not lose them!

Sad News

There has been some sad news in that Julia (Audrey Young's daughter) has died at her home in America. Please do pray for Audrey and the rest of the family—Audrey would welcome your prayers, but asks that they be given some space to spend time together as a family.

About the Weekly What's-On

The What's-On seeks to serve and inform people across the Chet Valley churches. Send your contributions to news.chetvalleychurches@gmail.com or phone 01508 522993 and speak to Nina Owen (Editor). To receive the What's-On each week by email send an email to the above address.