

Welcome to the Chapel In the Valley

Sunday 22nd
November
2020



JESUS HAS TOLD THIS CHURCH TO
GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES AND
TEACH THEM TO OBEY HIM.

Our programme for this Sunday

This Sunday at 11.00 am ...

Remember - we can only meet online

This Sunday - 'Slave or ambassador?'

Please note...

In addition and as usual we will have our online prayer meeting on
Sunday morning at 9.30 am

If you are able to join with us from your home or in person, we'd love to see
you; so... if you have not received an invitation and would like one,
please email us at civ.griffydam@gmail.com

This coming week

Monday - Zoom prayer meeting at 10.00 am

Thursday - Zoom Chat Café from 4.00 pm to 5.00 pm (ish). Note the change
of start time. Get in touch for an invite.

Bible study

In addition to Jill's Tuesday Bible study, Lesley will be leading another Zoom
study in the Book of Jeremiah (chapters 22 and 26) on this coming

Tuesday evening, 24th November at 7.00 pm.

If you have not received a Zoom invitation and would like one, please get in
touch.

LET US PRAY...

- With worship for our great God
- For our friends and neighbours - with thanks for Craig's return to work and his continued improvement; for Rob and Elaine; for Elizabeth and Jim; for John and Marjorie and her sister, for all of those affected by the accident in Coleorton and for all of those who are dear to us personally.
- For all of our youth both at home and studying away, and for the safety of all of our students and staff at school and colleges.
- With awareness of God's grace and then with grateful thanks for answered prayer
- For the Good News Hospital at Mandritsara; especially for the maintenance team and their endeavours to keep the infrastructure fully functioning.
- For all of our mission personnel -at home or abroad.

God, I confess
That sometimes I go looking for Your wisdom when I'm in trouble.
Help me dive into Your eternal, life-giving, truth-filled word
to find delight and strength every day.

Lection 265

Romans 1:1-7 - New International Version

1 Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God— ² the gospel he promised beforehand through his prophets in the Holy Scriptures ³ regarding his Son, who as to his earthly life was a descendant of David, ⁴ and who through the Spirit of holiness was appointed the Son of God in power by his resurrection from the dead: Jesus Christ our Lord. ⁵ Through him we received grace and apostleship to call all the Gentiles to the obedience that comes from faith for his name's sake. ⁶ And you also are among those Gentiles who are called to belong to Jesus Christ.

⁷ To all in Rome who are loved by God and called to be his holy people:
Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ

To the ends of the earth

I've just finished reading a book entitled 'The phone box at the edge of the world', a story about someone dealing with the aftermath of the tsunami in Japan in 2011. Although not a Christian book, it nevertheless gives an interesting insight into how people deal with grief and also how different cultures operate - and it was a good read (at least I thought so).

Reading it also set me thinking about our own culture, especially in terms of our beliefs.

What is our (my) view of the way people 'do' Christianity in other countries, and more especially perhaps on other continents?

Do I believe that the only real approach to evangelical Christian faith is the western world's one? Do I consider that because the Reformation was a European based movement, it follows that by definition all Christian thought, activity and worship must be based on a western model?

Maybe as we are in the midst of change in so many different arenas, we ought also to start to discover what our believing family from the ends of the earth can teach us.

[Jesus] replied, "...But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Acts 1:7-8 (NLT)

LIGHTS OF LOVE 2020

For the past 18 years Hospice Hope have held their Lights of Love memorial event every December at the Ferrers Centre, Staunton Harold. We have come together as a community to remember those loved ones who are no longer with us. At the event, tags are hung on the Christmas tree with special messages of love and remembrance, we join in with carols and prayers and our loved one's names are read out

This year, we will not be able to be together at the Ferrers Centre, however as our Lights of Love service is so important to us and to so many of our supporters in the local community, we dearly did not want to cancel this event.

Instead, people will be able to access a very special Lights of Love video that will be available from 4pm on 6th December via *YouTube*.

Hospice Hope are also offering everyone a special Lights of Love tag, so that people can still commemorate their loved ones lives on their own Christmas trees or around their homes. For more information visit

<https://www.hospicehope.org.uk/lights-of-love/lights-of-love-2020.php>