

Weekly Notes for Sunday 11 April 2021

Hello everyone,

I hope you have all had a good week. Thank you for all your updates and notices – really helpful. I will email you with more details about Phil Nevard in a few days' time.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for Phil as he gives his news to his church this weekend.

Please pray for our Elders as they meet on Monday evening to discuss the way forward with respect to 'live' vs Zoom services.

We pray for the Royal Family as they mourn the loss of the Duke of Edinburgh - a husband, father & grandfather.

Please also look at the URC response [here](#).

Zachary Drane (Jane Sales younger grandson) has been discharged from the Special Care Baby Unit this week and now weighs in at 7lb 12oz. Mum Fiona & Dad Jim are very grateful for the prayers that have been offered on behalf of their family and would still value prayer for sleep as it is currently a rare commodity and Jim is back at work.

One of our lettings, Musical Bumps, restarts this week on Friday. Please pray for the leader, Jackie Green, and the families as they return for a new safe beginning.

And the Footprints Café staff, please pray for them as they return to work on Monday. We pray they keep safe and well and that the café prospers.

EASTER DISPLAYS

A picture of the Easter gardens, cross and flowers left outside our church is now on the website. This seems to have been much appreciated so we would like to thank everyone for their support with this over the weekend.

WORSHIP

Sunday morning's service is being led by Penny Flynn. . It's the usual Sunday morning link for zoom – please email Maggie if you need it.

Future Services

11 April	10.30am	Penny Flynn
18 April	10.30am	Rev Dr Mike Wilson - Zoom/live TBC
25 April	10.30am	Go4th – Zoom/live TBC
2 May	10.30am	Rev Deborah McVey – Zoom/live TBC <i>Includes Induction of Elders</i>

KNITTING

Do you knit? Do you know someone else who knits?

The Rosie Hospital have appealed for **red**, **yellow** or **green** knitted hats which are given to every baby, depending on their individual risk factors for becoming unwell. For more information about joining in our local effort, please contact Rosemary Heald tel 833983, email rosemary.heald@tiscali.co.uk.

FOOTPRINTS CAFÉ

The Footprints Café is opening again on Monday 12 April in line with Covid regulations – outside service and take aways. A BBQ is planned and free ice cream too! Please give them your support!

GOOD NEWS UK

[Here is a flier](#) detailing the National Convention of Good News UK (formerly Gideons). It's online this year – have a look

A PRAYER

God,
we never thought it would be like this,
we can't think straight.
Yet blinded by your radiance
we know that
you alone make all things new,

God,
in our loneliness and hunger of heart,
you restore us to new life
in Christ Jesus,
and we bless you.

May his risen power be strong within us
and bless us with his peace,
that we may face adversity with courage
and grow in love for you and for each other.

Amen

The Revd Fleur Houston, retired minister and member of Macclesfield & Bollington URC

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Keep safe and look after yourselves.

Maggie

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