Dear Church Family,

In Luke's Gospel we read of two of Jesus's followers walking from Jerusalem to their home in Emmaus following the crucifixion.

They do not know that Jesus has risen from the dead and are sad and bewildered about what has happened.

Luke tells us that, 'as they talked and discussed... with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; but they were kept from recognising him.'

Jesus talks them through all that has occurred and explains how it fits in with the ancient Scriptures.

For many this is a time of bewilderment, where the things that are happening throw us off balance.

But let us realise that Jesus walks with us through all things, sometimes in unrecognisable form, living out the meaning of one of his names, 'Immanuel', God with us.

Prayer Update

Dorothy Douglas's condition has significantly worsened since the last email; she is now unconscious and on a palliative care ward. The hospital have allowed her son, Gavin, to go and sit with her. Please pray for the peace and presence of God for Dorothy and her family.

Further to those we've mentioned as NHS frontline workers please add the following to your prayers:

- Daryl Pye Colin and Margaret's son.
- Sarah Saunders Margaret Ascroft's grand-daughter

Online Services

Our next online service will be available on Sunday from 10:30.

All services can be found on the HBCC Facebook page and are now also on YouTube

https://www.facebook.com/Hesketh-Bank-Christian-Centre-137989929662209/

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCI-q5TmlygGFnooTXluT6kg

Special Birthday Congratulations

Happy Birthday to Avril Roberts for yesterday (Thursday 22nd April), celebrating her 60th!

Online Giving

Don't forget you can give directly to the church using online banking.

Bank Sort Code: 40-24-14 Account No: 10429627

Contact Numbers

You can reach us on the numbers below:

Mark - 07526 989665 Steve - 07484 268297

Alex - 07701 042458 (Youth and Young People)

Please also keep in contact with <u>all</u> the groups of which you are part with the social media tools at you disposal.

Stay Home, Protect the NHS, Save Lives

Peace to you and every good,

The Leadership Team 23.04.2020

(This bulletin is available in the 'latest news' section of the church website along with all previous communications.)