

Hi Everyone....

Welcome to Holy Week, the most significant week for us as Christians when we see Jesus enter Jerusalem to the sound of praise, only to end it, dying on a cross. Praise God that this was just the beginning of the story, and not the end, as Jesus defeated the power of evil, sin and death, bursting out of the grave to new to bring us new life. As the apostle Paul puts it...if anyone is in Christ they are a New Creation ! So next Sunday we will celebrate Easter and, of course, we will be able to meet for our live service together. Hallelujah!

Well what a week! School holidays begin (when children seem to have just gone back!). Spring is in the air with flowers popping up and lighter, brighter days are here, and we have an encouraging change in restrictions. We pray all this will fill you with hope.

During this past week we gave thanks and showed our appreciation for the many who have stepped up and sacrificed this year. Both individuals and groups that have been catalysts of hope, comfort and strength. One of the great ways we've been able to support the local community has been through the

hampers. This past week over 140 have been delivered and received with much thanks. Well done to everyone who was involved.

Good Friday

There will be a recorded Good Friday service later this week, posted on both Facebook and You Tube. As usual it will have beautiful music and thoughtful reflections and the service will also include Communion, so please have some bread and wine ready so you can fully join in. Many thanks to the Benediction choir along with Steve and Mark Lamin, for all their work in production.

Easter Sunday

Over 60 people are now booked in for our special live Easter Sunday service. It's still not too late if you'd like to join us, but you will need to let Steve or Eva know by this

Thursday please. There will be an opportunity to give financially if you wish at the close of the service.

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For those of you unable to be there in person it will be broadcast live via You Tube and Facebook at 10-30am.

Job opportunity at SLEAP.

Last year we supported this great local charity. There is a job opportunity with them....here's the quote from their website..

“We have an exciting opportunity for an enthusiastic individual to join our team as support worker. This is a full-time post (37h/week) to work across South Ribble, Chorley and Preston with 16 to 25 year olds. Your role will be to provide direct support to individuals and groups of young people who are accommodated by SLEAP or supported in the community.”

To apply send a completed application form to Manager@sleap.co.uk

If you would like to speak to someone about this opportunity then please contact

[07710847695](tel:07710847695)

Closing date: 6/04/2021 12noon

LIVE WORSHIP NIGHT !

Hope you all enjoyed the live worship night with Emily and the Band last Wednesday. If you missed it you can still catch it on the Hesketh Bank Christian Centre Facebook page...

Sabbatical

We've mentioned it before but we want you to

be aware that Steve Lamin will be taking a three month sabbatical break from mid May to mid August.... Steve plays such a key role in our Church community and has done over many years. Let's pray for a really refreshing time for him.

Covid Testing at All Saints Church Hall

...is now under way. Free rapid Covid testing will be available in the church hall on Tuesday afternoons each week between 12 and 6pm.

This is for those who do not have symptoms, but just to have a regular check. Many people have Covid without showing symptoms so a good idea to be tested regularly.

Testing for those with symptoms may also be available on a Thursday as well but you need to book in for this.

Village Easter Trail and competition !

Exciting details of our Village Easter Trail are on Facebook. There is a quiz sheet for either Tarleton or Hesketh Bank. You will also need to print a code-breaker to decipher the clues ! The clues went up yesterday on Monday 29th. A great opportunity to get out and about in the village and there will be prizes for the first 5 back. Check out this link to find out more

details :

<https://www.facebook.com/The-Village-Easter-Trail-104209671689261/>

Weekly activities:

We have our usual weekly activities to engage with: Wednesday devotional and Catch up coffee and chat. No Friday Focus this week but we have instead our Good Friday service online and of course our special Easter Sunday Live Service at 10.30 am.

In closing....Thank you again to everyone who is continuing to support us financially through this very difficult time. If you would like to give to our work here you can set up a standing order, or make a one off payment using the following information.

Bank Transfer to :

Account no. 65892415

Sort code 08-92-99

Co-operative Bank

Account name is..... Hesketh Bank Christian Centre

Well that's it for this week but we pray it will be a special week as we move towards Good Friday remembering Jesus death and to resurrection and celebration of Easter

Sunday....

Please find Prayermail attached.

See you all next Tuesday.

If you or your friends need any kind of help or support please get in touch.

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Or you can reach the team on the numbers below:

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