

KINGSBURY/BAXTERLEY GROUP OF CHURCHES

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Merevale



Hurley



Kingsbury



Baxterley



Wood End



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05/04/26 —
Easter Sunday

SUNDAY SERVICES

This Sunday - 5th April
Easter Day

HURLEY

9.30am Holy Communion
(This will be the last service at Hurley for safety reasons)

KINGSBURY

11.00am Holy Communion
(Readings: Acts 10. 34-43;
Psalm 118. 14-24; Colossians
3. 1-4; John 20. 1-18)

Next Sunday - 12th April
Easter 2

KINGSBURY

11.00am Holy Communion

BAXTERLEY

1.00pm Baptism Service
4.30pm Holy Communion

(Readings: Acts 2. 14a, 22-32; Psalm 16; 1 Peter 1. 3-9;
John 20. 19-end)

Sunday 19th April
Easter 3

(KINGSBURY?)

9.30am? Holy Communion?)

MEREVALE

11.00am Holy Communion

(Readings: Acts 2. 14a, 36-41; Psalm 116. 1-7; 1 Peter 1. 17-23; Luke 24. 13-35)

Forthcoming Events

Tuesday 7th April

- 8.00pm Compline online via Facebook ONLY

Wednesday 8th April

- 9.00am Clock Striking Mechanism repair at Kingsbury
- 9.30am Holy Communion at Wood End

Thursday 9th April

- 10.00am Hinckley U3A to visit Merevale and Baxterley
- 4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley

Friday 10th April

- 6.30pm Murder Mystery Evening at Baxterley

Saturday 11th April

- 10.00-12.00 Green Clean at Kingsbury

Tuesday 14th April

- 10.00am Merevale Fundraising Committee at Idle Hollow
- 1.30pm Puzzle Library Open
- 8.00pm Compline via Zoom (and online via Facebook)

Wednesday 15th April

- 9.30am Morning Worship at Wood End
- 7.30pm PCC meet at Kingsbury Church

Thursday 16th April

- 12.00 noon Rev Carole at Clergy Chapter
- 4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley

Wishing you all a Blessed Easter!
With love from Carole & Ruth



Hurley Church Update!

The state of Hurley Church is deteriorating to the point where it is considered to be unsafe for us to continue to hold services in the building and so I would suggest that sadly today's Easter Service will be the last service held in Hurley Church. (I hope PCC will ratify my suggestion at their meeting on 15th April). Moving forward, PCC will discuss how best we can now serve the Christian Community in Hurley whilst waiting for the Diocese to tell us the timescale for our request to close Hurley Church permanently. This may include a new pattern of services at Kingsbury. Watch this space for further updates!

Revd. Carole

Collect for Easter Sunday

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**



Please Pray for:

Those who are ill:

Rachel : Lauren : Samuel
Hope : Sean : Kay
Rose Stubbs : Glenys
Carole Haines : Diane : Fred
Sandra : Millie : Martha : Sheila
Trevor : Hannah & Olivia
Chris Martin : Ann Gallagher
Marjorie Nunan : Helen de Renzy
Lionel : Jane Pratt
Felicity Cawthra : Danielle Hughes

Baptised yesterday

Dre Smallwood

Preparing for Marriage

Kieran & Brittany

Andrew & Michelle

Those who have died

Bill Jones : Brian Moss

Gordon Webb

and All families grieving the loss of loved ones

Please also pray for

The Archbishop of Canterbury -
Dame Sarah Mullally
That the right person applies to be our next Incumbent.



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SEE OVERLEAF FOR READINGS & FURTHER NOTICES

This week we pray for all who live or work in these Roads in our communities:

Church Lane & Coton Lane in Kingsbury; Hawthorn Avenue in Hurley; Whateley Lane in Wood End; and Merevale Lane in Merevale w. Bentley

Safeguarding Support: If you have a safeguarding matter you need to discuss, speak to our **Parish Safeguarding Officer - Dr. Pru Allington-Smith on 01827 825701 or Rev. Carole** or in emergency **the Bishop's Safeguarding Adviser, Steph Haynes on 07342 993844**
StephH@cofebirmingham.com



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Readings for Easter Sunday

Acts 10. 34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."



Psalms 118. 14-24

¹⁴The LORD is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.
¹⁵There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD does valiantly;
¹⁶the right hand of the LORD is exalted; the right hand of the LORD does valiantly."
¹⁷I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the LORD.
¹⁸The LORD has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death.
¹⁹Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.
²⁰This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.
²¹I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.
²²The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
²³This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
²⁴This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

John 20. 1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Colossians 3. 1-4

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

The Merevale Bluebell Walk is on **Saturday 25th April**, starting at Merevale Church, at **10.00am - 12.00noon**. For those wishing to walk around the estate a donation of £3.00 per person is suggested with the exception that accompanied children under 12 years go free. Tea/coffee and cake with unlimited refills will be £5.00, and refreshments for children under 12 years will be £2.50. Dogs are welcome but must be kept on leads.

Baxterley Open Day on 21st March raised a magnificent **£2,300+** for church funds. Many thanks to all who came and to the army of helpers who worked tirelessly to make this event happen.

Joining Details for most Online Zoom Services & Meetings

Meeting ID: **999 516 9418**

Passcode: **Twigster3**

You can also join by telephone on number: **0203 481 5237** and entering the **ID: 999 516 9418** and Code: **570910568**

Dates for your Diary

Fri 10th April - 6.30pm Murder Mystery Night at Baxterley.

Tues 14th April - 10.00am Merevale Fundraising Cttee meet at Idle Hollow

Wed 15th April - 7.30pm PCC meet at Kingsbury Church

Sat 25th April - 10.00-12.00 The Merevale Bluebell Walk starting at Merevale Church

Tues 27th April - 11.30am Funeral & burial of Brian Moss at Kingsbury.

10th April

Murder Mystery Evening at Baxterley. Last few Tickets available at £25 each from most churches in our parish or see Ann Prosser

Interregnum Arrangements

Our parish is now in interregnum and the Vicarage and it's telephone will be 'off limits'. From now on all pastoral matters should be passed to **Revd. Carole** via the new 'office' telephone number of **07426 068938** or via email on **admin@kingbaxgroup.org.uk**. Matters regarding church buildings/grounds should be passed to the church wardens. *Many Thanks.*

Jigsaw Puzzle Lending Library...

Free jigsaw puzzle lending library on **Tuesday 14th & 28th April at The Old Stables**, Kingsbury Church—between **1.30-3.30pm**. Open every **2nd & 4th Tuesday!**