

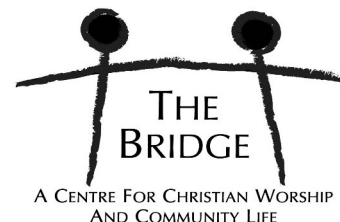
This week at The Bridge		
Sunday 12th January	9.00am	Holy Communion Rev Glenn Reading and Rev Victoria Barlow
	10.30am	Parade Service Rev Ruth Wilson.
	10.30am	Café Church Caroline Baker and Terry Bill
Tuesday 14th January	2.00pm 6.00pm	Mothers Union—AGM Girls Brigades
Wednesday 15th January	9.30am	Holy Communion
Friday 17th January	6.00pm	Boys Brigades
Sunday 19th January	9.00am	Morning Worship Roger Ling
	10.30am	Covenant Service Rev Ruth Wilson.
	10.30am	Café Church Helen Reading and Jackie Adams

Music for 12 January 2020			
Organ	Prelude and fugue in C		Bach
	Interlude		Hill
Hymns	I owe my Lord a morning song	135	Singing the faith
	Be thou my vision	545	
	All the room was hushed and still	266	
Organ	Postlude		Fletcher

### Bridge Church Choir

Our first meeting of 2020 will be this Thursday, 16 January at 7pm, in the church. We would love to welcome new singers; men and women. If you enjoy singing just come along. You don't have to read music !!

*Graham Bishop*



# WELCOME

## 12th January 2020

A warm welcome to our services today  
especially if this is your first visit to The Bridge.

**Then Peter began to speak : "I now realise how true it is that God does not show favouritism, but accepts those who fear him and do what is right" Acts 10v34**

"Christmas 2019 was a great one for The Bridge Church. We want to thank everyone who has contributed in any way to the activities and worship which have taken place on our premises during Advent and Christmas. There are too many names, but if you have prayed for, encouraged, attended, rejoiced in and with, supported then we want to say thank you. If you have prepared, delivered, dressed up, stitched, knitted, provided props, hung cloth, baked, poured hot drinks, mulled wine, acted, offered ideas and implemented any vision then we want to say thank you. If you have hosted parties, led worship, read scripture, interceded, assisted with communion, decorated the church, sung, welcomed, or accompanied musically, then we want to say thank you. If you have set up or cleared up, if you have cleaned or mopped, we want to say thank you. And if you are one of the many people who do things in our Church which go unnoticed please know they do not go unappreciated. We pray that this Advent and Christmas has been a blessing for you all and we want you to know that through you all the story of Christmas has been retold with fervour and gusto! We wish you a very happy and peaceful 2020 and are looking forward to what is in store for us all as we begin the next decade. With love Ruth, Glenn and Victoria."



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Gill Barlow is giving a talk to the Everywoman group on Wednesday 22nd January. The title is "The Growth of the Christian Church in Redditch in the 19th century"  
Time will be 7.45pm and the venue is The Bridge Community Hall. This will be an Open Meeting and all are welcome to attend, ladies and gentlemen, admission charge of just £2 also covers tea/coffee and biscuits.

**Mothers' Union AGM Tuesday 14th January at 2.00pm**

The Mothers Union uses old religious Christmas cards for recycling into cards for prisoners to use to send to their families. Please can I ask that when people sort out their Christmas cards, they might consider passing to me for recycling any suitable cards? The Mothers Union would be very grateful.

In fact, we also do Easter, birthday and greeting cards, so anything that people would like to offload, please pass them to me as a collecting point! Thank you! Judith

## Happy New Year

Take your mind off the wild, wet and windy days of winter, and look forward to the warmer days of SPRING! Hedgerows will be budding, tadpoles developing, lambs leaping around fields in joyful abandon and a new tax year will begin.

If you regularly help on the rota for Church or Cafe, please can you let know what dates you are NOT AVAILABLE for **MARCH, APRIL & MAY** by email - ([thebridgeredditch@gmail.com](mailto:thebridgeredditch@gmail.com)), message on the answerphone (01527 545120) or by carrier pigeon. If you regularly attend worship at The Bridge maybe you could consider how you could help. Have a word with Glenn, Ruth, Roger or Maureen to find out how you could get involved. We are particularly short of **Door Welcomers** in church and folks to help with refreshments, but extra volunteers are welcome in all areas.

If you could reply by **Monday 20th January** that would help with planning – otherwise we will have to guess! Just think of the chaos THAT could cause!

The Spring rota is the most complicated, as it covers no less than three Bank Holiday weekends, and to add to the fun, the early May Bank holiday has moved to Friday 8th May in 2020.

As well as letting us know what dates you are NOT AVAILABLE, please can you specifically state if you could be on the rota on the Bank Holiday weekends - **Sunday 12th April, Sunday 10th May and Sunday 24th May.**

Thanks in advance for your help.

**Rosie Church Administrator**

Please give any for inclusion in this weekly news-sheet by Wednesday of each week, to Matthew Bailey or Roger Ling  
or send them via email to: [bailey\\_matt@btinternet.com](mailto:bailey_matt@btinternet.com) **and** [roger.j.ling@virginmedia.com](mailto:roger.j.ling@virginmedia.com)