



Week commencing Sunday 10th May

All church services and events have been suspended until further notice

Reading

'Therefore God exalted him (the Lord Jesus Christ) to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.' - Philippians 2v.9-11

Prayer -

'our gracious and loving heavenly Father

I am reminded of the lovely chorus that says -

Jesus, name above all names,

beautiful Saviour, glorious Lord;

Emmanuel, God is with us,

blessed Redeemer, living Word.

May he be held in high honour in our hearts, minds and lives at this time, and in these difficult days may many reach out and find him. In Jesus Name. Amen.'

Love and Prayers in Christ John Wiltshire, Rev

Sunday Worship

Live Sunday Service 10.45 am at Copplestone with the spoken form of My Word from John. website <http://www.copplestonechurch.org.uk>

My word from John <https://www.emmanuel-morchard-bishop.org/thought-for-the-week>

Premier Christian Radio Freeview 725 <http://www.premierchristianradio.com/radioplayer>

Radio 4 8.10 am Sunday Worship

Radio Devon 8.00 am Sunday devotion

BBC1 10.45 am A service. (Time may change)

BBC1 1.15 pm Songs of Praise (Time may change)

Key Dates:

- Sunday School, 3pm on Sunday afternoons.
- Youth Bible Study, Tuesdays @ 7.30pm.
- Prime youth club on-line Friday 8th May.

Prayer Points From Sherrin:

- Give thanks for our children and young people who are making contact with others from our church family to encourage them during this strange time.
- Pray for those leading our country and those working on the front line fighting Covid 19.
- Pray for those who are struggling in this time, may we allow one another to be open and honest that we may support one another better.
- Give thanks for the many blessings we have.
- Celebrate that while we cannot meet together we are still the body of Christ working together to spread good news.

Update from Sherrin -

Along with the better weather and much encouragement via email and text from lots of you, this week has been a much better one. Thank you so much for your messages and prayers they really help and are much appreciated! This week along with posting ideas for VE day celebrations and planning Prime Youth Club I have also run for 25mins 3 times as part of the couch to 5k programme I've been using since lock down started. This week I complete week 7 of 9, to have got this far is now motivation in itself to keep going! So have you been challenging yourself much during this period? To walk a little further, to go for a run, to read more, to tidy the cupboard under the stairs or sort through your wardrobe? If not then I encourage you to. Achieving, even small things can be so good for our mental wellbeing.

This week a number of children and young people from both congregations have taken up the challenge to write to church members or draw them a picture just to say hi and hopefully spread some joy. If your children would like to take part, please contact me and I will send you the details of someone to write to.

Over this weekend a number of children and young people and myself and Carl with Noah will be 'camping out' in our gardens to raise money for CHAT. If you would like to contribute to the fundraising for this great charity please let me know and I'll let you know where to send your pennies and pounds!

Leaders Update May 2020:

After a very successful Prayer Meeting last Sunday (3rd May) we have decided to extend this to become a 'Fellowship, Prayer & Worship' Meeting on a fortnightly basis. So the next meeting will be held at 7pm on Sunday 17th May. Please email carolinepartridge@hotmail.co.uk if you would like to be part of this. It just involves clicking a link on an email and you'll be joining friends for an informal gathering together via Zoom.

To extend further, the opportunities for fellowship, we will also be holding a 'Quiz & Social' evening, also fortnightly but on the alternate weekend from the Fellowship, Prayer & Worship evening. Saturday 9th May at 7pm is the first, hosted by Paul Warren so please email paul@gaysfarm.co.uk if you would like to join in with this.

More details will follow on the Notice Sheet for future dates of both of these meetings.

If anyone has anything interesting to put into the Morchard Messenger, relating to your church life, stories or testimony, please email morchardmessenger@gmail.com as they are looking for articles from village organisations to put in their next edition. Closing date for submissions 15th May.

We will be looking for a way to mark our return to 'normal' church as soon as these difficult days are over. If you have any ideas or requests, please let one of us know.

If you haven't already looked, please see our newly updated website at <https://www.emmanuel-morchard-bishop.org/> Our grateful thanks to Luke Warren and Andrew Eaton for producing this very useful 'window' to our church, especially now that we are doing life & church more and more online!

We are now meeting fortnightly to monitor the ongoing situation and plan our online events. So our next Leaders meeting is scheduled for Thursday 21st May via Zoom. Please let us have any feedback/comments that you may have.

Please remember, if you're feeling low or lonely, contact one of us or speak to Pauline Nott, our Pastoral Co-ordinator - pauline.nott@btinternet.com or 01363 877595

Take care & God bless - you are all in our thoughts & prayers.

Caroline, on behalf of
Emmanuel Leadership,
John, Terry, Chris & Vicky