



NEWPORT CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

98 Pyle Street, Newport, Isle of Wight PO30 1UD

NCC



NEWS-SHEET FOR 25th July 2021

Check the website, YouTube and Facebook page for online thoughts, and music.
If you need help or a chat, then please contact one of the deacons.

Jonathan Snell is preaching this week

Title – The Upward Look

Reading – Luke 21:7-36

THE SERVICE WILL BE HELD IN THE BUILDING AND IT WILL ALSO BE LIVE STREAMED. This can be found on the website or Facebook, or on YouTube.

If you are feeling alone and need to chat, then please call or message

David – 01983521360 or Sandra/Jonathan— 01983 408266 or one of the other deacons.

Rev Mark - 07909590370

NCC MISSION STATEMENT

1. Providing worship that is accessible to all. Increasing our knowledge of the teachings of Jesus & God's Kingdom
2. Sharing Christian Fellowship with everyone
3. Providing a welcoming place for all the community

Prayer

James 5:16 – Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avail much.

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Please PRAY for

Christine Dungy recovering from knee operation. She's in a lot of pain. **Colin** who has had a fall. **Lorraine** to have peace. **Shane** as he has been in so much pain recently. Please continue to pray for **Lee** to find a job. **Lilian Akers**, please pray for her health.

Thank God for the Tech team and pray for them as they seek to get the technology right as they record and project.



Please tell us if you have a prayer need.

Romans 10:17 – So faith comes from hearing, that is, hearing the Good News about Christ.

Congregation Federation Prayer

Please pray for:

Islington-Union Chapel - We are recruiting a new musical director to launch a music programme for youngsters and schools based around gospel music in the Autumn.

Kentish Town –Please pray this Bible verse for Kentish Town—God raised us up with Christ in order that in the coming ages He might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in His kindness to us in Christ Jesus- Ephesians 2 v6-7 NIV



Songs for this Sunday



Songs to encourage you this week. May you be blessed by God's presence.

How Wonderful, how glorious is the love of God

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C1l64Ht9KDc>

He's my rescuer

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sAg7rn7fH3Q>

I'm trading my sorrows

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2KsfwvpcQhY>

Thank you, Lord

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K44trVhtZX4>

I just want to speak the name of Jesus

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PiaVb8j_nbw

Praise God

Praise God for His goodness, for His provision, for His love towards us. Thank you, Lord that you never forsake us and that you always go ahead of us and prepare the way and make a way where there seems to be no way.

Children's Church

Louise Randall is hosting a Children's Church session every other week on Saturday at 2:30pm. This will be live streamed on the Newport Congregational Church Facebook page. Louise will also deliver activity packs to go along with the recording. If your child/ren you know would like to receive an activity pack, please contact Louise on 07746 44 75. Please join the Children's service. Thank you.

General Announcements

- Every Thursday Jayne Atherton and David Reading go either to Ryde Town Centre or Newport Town Centre to evangelize on the streets. If you would like to join them, please see either Jayne or David.
- Church cleaning to be arranged during the week. Please keep an eye on the NCC Church Messenger.
- Please pray for Mark, Denise, and Samuel as they go on holiday on the 23rd of July 2021 and coming back on the 7th of August. Please respect their privacy.
- Are there any people who can help with cleaning from week commencing 26th July and during the month of August? Please let Sandra Snell know. Would anyone like to organize the cleaning from 1st September? (It doesn't mean you have to do it every week).

Come and celebrate our great hope in the midst of the huge need and challenging circumstances around us. Join us this Sunday @ NCC 10:30am as we worship and focus on the blessed hope which the Lord Jesus gives us. Please bring some cakes, etc. for refreshments. Thank you.

Its lovely to fellowship with you today

We hope you enjoy the service and your time with us at NCC. NCC is a place providing worship accessible to all, deepening our knowledge of the teachings of Jesus, and sharing Christian fellowship. We are a community of disciples, ever growing, ever-learning, in God's kingdom.

Who's Who at NCC?

Minister – Mark Evans

Elders – David Reading and Jonathan Snell

Deacons – Lorraine Grundon, Sandra Snell, Sandra Reading, Lyn Savin, Louise Randall and Graham Akers (an ex officio deacon)



Church Giving

May we encourage you to be generous in your giving. Please ask the Lord to show you what, how, and when. The church income is naturally down currently, and the blessings of God are many to those who obey his word cheerfully.

Online

Newport Congregational Church

Sort Code: 30-95-99 Account: 01519783

Please consider setting up a standing order or donating online if we are not able to meet together.

Cheque Cheques can be made payable to: **Newport Congregational Church**

Cash can be put into the Sunday offering.

Please consider Gift Aid.

The church can receive 25% extra from the government for your donation. Please ask for a form to fill in.

Notices

**Please book your place for the service each week with Sandra Snell.
(NCC is now open to the public, bookings required, limited spaces available).**

General Information:

Mark is still furloughed part-time as our Minister. He will do some work in the office and will be involved in some voluntary activities as a church member.

There is a new page on the website for those of you who would like some teaching (especially if you are new to faith or would like some foundation truths).

Sunday @ 10.30am at NCC. The service will be live streamed on Facebook.

Services this week

Sunday 25th July 2021

Tuesday 27th July 2021 –Prayer Service at 10am

Friday 30th July 2021 – Worship Practice – 7:30pm

Sunday 1st August 2021 – 10:30am

Birthdays this Month

Lyn Savin – 10th July 2021

Denise Evans – 10th July 2021

Sandra Reading – 11th July 2021

Jo Deacon – 16th July 2021

Colin Grundon – 23rd July 2021

Norma Godfrey – 24th July 2021

Carl Worrall – 28th July 2021

Covid Update for members and friends of NCC following government briefing.

Implementation date from 19th July 2021

In view of the government's decision to lift most of the restrictions around Covid 19, we, Rev Mark and the Elders and Deacons would like to assure members and friends of NCC that we intend to continue to maintain a safe and positive environment for us to worship.

We will do this by updating our Risk Assessment which will include the following principles:

- We will continue to maintain a **register** on Sunday for **Track and Trace**, although we will not insist on people booking in for a meeting or service. New people attending should make sure they have given their contact details. Anyone entering the building other than Sunday morning will still be required to sign in the book by the side door or on the front table. This is very important. CCTV is also in place and captures people's arrivals and departures.
- **Windows and doors** will be opened where possible during services/ meetings and fans used when the weather is warm. This will be reviewed as the weather gets cooler.
- **Signage** will continue to be in place to encourage and remind people "Hands, Face, Space", although social distancing will not be mandatory.
- Regular **cleaning** will be done between hall users and the 99.9% bacterial disinfectant spray will be used on chairs and touching points between users and during regular cleaning. More anti-bacterial spray could be made available for touch points, for all hall hirers to use.
- We will ensure there is plenty of **hand sanitiser** and will still encourage those coming into the building to sanitise their hands.
- The wearing of a **mask** will not be mandatory, but we will respect those who wish to continue wearing a mask or not. A one-way system will be encouraged. All of the downstairs doors could be used as exits and not just the main doors.
- The onus with the lifting of restrictions is upon each individual, we would therefore respectfully ask that **if you have cold or flu like symptoms** or have a temperature that you refrain from attending the worship service or entering the building.
- The main hall will have some chairs spaced out so that people may choose where they sit. People may move their chairs closer if they are part of a family or household group/ bubble.
- Singing will be encouraged. This may now happen without masks, although we will respect those who may continue to want to wear a mask. Everyone should be looking forwards when singing mitigating the risk of particles being widely spread. Those who may be more fearful may wish to sit/ stand nearer the back of the hall. The screen/ barrier can be removed.
- Communion will usually be served on the first Sunday of the month. The wine will be served in individual glasses and the bread prepared by a person who is wearing (Non latex gloves due to allergies). We respect there will be those who still wish to bring their own elements for communion.
- Laying on of hands. This could and should happen, but people should be asked if they would like this before it happens.
- Refreshments may be served after a service. When possible, this will be outside. There will be 2 or 3 allocated servers who will facilitate this. Paper cups will continue to be used on a Sunday morning. Mugs with handles are available for those who need a handle.
We were reminded by Lee Coleman last week of Gods teaching to the Israelites.
- **Who invented the three basic Covid rules to protect us? 1- Social Distance. 2 - Hand Washing hygiene. 3 - The Use of Mask. These laws were given to the nation of Israel 3,500 years ago. So look it up in the BIBLE ! 1 - Exodus 30: 18-21: Wash your hands so that they will not die. 2 - Leviticus 13:**

4, 5, 46: If you have symptoms, keep your distance, cover your mouth and avoid contact. 3 -
Leviticus 13: 4, 5: _Who is infected must remain in quarantine for 7 to 14 days. And there are still
those who doubt that the Bible is a book of wisdom!

Thought from Sandra Snell

Operation Christmas Child

It's time to start thinking about Operation Christmas Child and getting the gifts ready for our shoeboxes. I have been speaking with 2 or 3 people who have been busy knitting hats, gloves, and scarves, and also some simple toys and bags. Please will people consider buying some small items each week with their shopping that can be put into shoe boxes. For example: - bars of soap, flannel/ sponge, toothbrushes, combs, pencils, pens, notebooks, soft toys. other toys,

Things to avoid....is anything with liquid... so NO bubbles, shampoos etc... NO toothpaste, NO war related toys, YES to Books with pictures only or colouring books.

Last year we sent about 70 boxes from the church. Hopefully, we can do as well or better this year.

We are able to track the boxes and find out where they go. Last year our boxes went to a variety of places including Central Asia, Belarus, and Albania. Some of the children will never ever have received a gift in their lives. If you would like to read some of their stories or watch some video clips of children receiving their shoeboxes, then please visit:

<https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>

If you cannot for whatever reason shop for the items yourself but would like to donate money either towards gifts or shipping costs, then please give either cash to Sandra Snell or Make a cheque to Newport Congregational church but place in an envelope with Shoe boxes on the front of the envelope.

Thank you all.

Sandra