



St Peter's Hartshorne

Hello everyone

Sometimes it seems that this strange time of pandemic and isolation from each other has always been with us. At other times we begin to see small signs of increased hope. One of these signs is our intention to hold our **first worship service in the church on 26th July**. While some of us may be excited at the opportunity to meet together again, others will feel anxious about it or sad that they cannot join us at present. All of these reactions are understandable and no-one is obliged to come to church if they are not yet ready or able to do so, our on-line recordings will continue alongside any gathered worship.

For those who are able to join us in the church building, things will be somewhat different and we have put together a guide to attending worship that will be delivered with this newsletter. Please read the guidance before you come so that you will know what to expect. We are also having to restrict numbers to ensure social distancing, so if you intend to join us, please let me know by **Friday evening** by email or text message:

email: greenwoodstella@yahoo.com

text: 07802963817

For those unable to join us at present we will be recording the service and will upload it to our social media accounts as soon as possible after the service has ended so you should be able to access it by lunchtime. We will also be continuing with our on-line 'after church coffee' although from 26th July the time will change to 12:30pm to allow people to get home and join in.

What we have been doing

Moving on

As we come to the end of term many children will be moving on to new adventures. Debbie met up in a socially distanced way with two of the children from Little Sparks who are moving on to school. She gave out certificates and they joined in a socially distanced picnic.



What we have
been doing

Bibles for Year 6



On Friday afternoon, Rev Stella made a socially distanced visit to school to hand out Bibles from the Church to the year sixes who will be moving on to secondary school after the summer.

Please pray for these children and all the pupils and teachers who are coming to the end of a very difficult term. Pray that they may find time for rest and relaxation over the summer.

After church coffee



Don't forget to join us if you can for coffee after church on Sunday 19th July

If you would like to join us but are not sure how, then please get in touch.

Sunday at 11:30am

Please join us on the link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87324356137?pwd=ckdVMTN6eS9GMjRveUMyMWwvT1ZVZz09>

Or by telephone on 0203 481 5240 quoting Meeting ID: 873 2435 6137 and Password: 721159

We appreciate that this is all very strange and yet another example of the extraordinary times that we are in right now.

The important thing to remember is that God is with us in the valleys as well as the mountain top times of our lives. He will continue to be with you in your homes and He will be with us in our Sunday Worship, however different it will feel to us.

Finally, I am taking a week's leave starting on Sunday 19th July so there will be no news letter next week but I will be back for the service on 26th. If you need to contact anyone then please call the Church Wardens on: **07979122919 or 07947652661**

Have a good week, enjoy the sunshine

God Bless

Stella