

Sandhurst & Yateley Methodist Church

31-05-20

Preacher: Irene Robinson

Call to worship

<https://youtu.be/e5AIKVhIGIk>

StF 20 Be still for the presence of the Lord

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZugvUQ4m90U>

Prayers & Lord's Prayer

<https://youtu.be/gNuNYiCgTPk>

StF 382 Holy Spirit come confirm us

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dz03CrBprE0>

Reading John 20: 19 – 23

https://youtu.be/Of0hg_Dbico

Message

<https://youtu.be/jRazBun9iDI>

StF 707 Make me a channel of your peace

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

Prayers of intercession

Lord you came to bring hope to a lost world and some people recognised you and sang your praises but to others your presence brought fear and they plotted your death, but you loved them all. Your love and patience is endless, help us to be patient with people especially when we are tired, frustrated or unable to see the way through a situation and become fearful. Give us the eyes of love when we see those in want or need. We pray for your help and comfort during the coronavirus when people are fearful and confused. We ask that people in places of power might be compassion and remember they are dealing with people not numbers. We have suffered many disturbing changes this year. Most people just want to live in peace, as families and be part of a community.

We remember all those who have been separated from loved ones and have faced loneliness and thank you for neighbours and friends and sometimes strangers who have helped them.

We remember those who have the power to do something positive. Give them wisdom and guidance and help we pray that the church will speak out in the strength of the Holy Spirit. We bring before you those known to us who need your help or healing your assurance and comfort or those who are doubting their faith or losing hope.

In a moment of quietness, we name them now.

Jesus as we recall the journey you made from the manger to the cross help us to take up our own cross and follow you and give us the strength to bear our own burdens and share one another's burdens.

We look at other countries and praise you for those who have come through this pandemic and are picking up their lives again but we are aware that it is not the only problem as we see the violence and destruction in America, leaders in the USA, China and Russia who are concerned to keep their power. Protect your world from them.

We pray for this church, for Sharon and her ministry here and for our circuit.

Lord we see signs of hope as the strict measures are being slowly relaxed. Lift our eyes to heaven and put us to work in your world filled with faith, hope and trust in you as we continue our daily journey with you.

Thank you for your love for us and help us to share that love with others.
In Jesus name.

Amen.

StF 639 Through the love of God our Saviour
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ICON_44GTol

Blessing

<https://youtu.be/ZPpxWyXlhzc>