WORD Cloud of the week

In the diagram, the larger the words the more often they appear. Try looking for them as you read through this Old Testament book.



Source: BlueLetter Bible / Apps & Tools / Free Social Tools.

Cook With Us at Priory Pavilion, Priory Road, Dudley, DY1 4EU. Baking Sessions – Mondays from 22nd April, 5pm-7pm for 6 weeks. Learn to Grow Fruit, Veg and Flowers - Weds from 24th April, for 6 weeks. For info and booking contact: Charlotte on 0754 449 6485 or email cookwithusenquiries@gmail.com.

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Parish of The Lye and Stambermill

From the Editor's Daughter

Rebekah's Story

Growing up at Christ Church in the 1990s and early 2000s shaped my childhood - from the regular routine of services, helping Dad (then churchwarden) with putting up the hymn numbers and learning the mysterious ways of the overhead projector, to the social and, of course, spiritual growth that came from having the church as my extended family. I felt very much part of the church community from my earliest memories of being lulled peacefully to sleep at an evening service, probably aged 2 or 3, on one of the few remaining hard pews! As children and young people we were encouraged to exercise gifts including prayer ministry, leadership, music and dance / drama.

When I chose to study at London School of Theology I knew I had both the support of the church and a personal foundation for a deeper exploration of faith. Later, Christ Church provided part of its financial mission support for my admin role at Youth for Christ in Halesowen, until finally the congregation sent me out with their blessing to study for my PhD in 'Theology, Imagination and The Arts'. This led on to my current position as an editor for the new St. Andrews Encyclopaedia of Theology, working with theologians from around the world to build a free, online resource for those in theological training - especially in the Global South where theological libraries are small or non-existent . . . my spiritual journey which started at Christ Church has ultimately gone global!

Find Rebekah's Encyclopaedia project at: www.saet.ac.uk/about and her own role at: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/divinity/people/rmd32



PREVIEWS, POINTERS & PRAYER

Items for this page to the Administrator by Wednesday morning please

Previews

CHURCH WORK DAY: next Saturday, 27th April, from 10am. Volunteers welcome to help clear and clean the Gallery room (above the entrance Tunnel).

LOCAL WALKS - next Friday and Saturday

Time 2 Breathe – A relaxing walk exploring the ancient woodland of Saltwells Nature Reserve, Friday 26th April 2024, 1pm-2pm. Meet at Saltwells Lane car park, For info 'phone: 0797106 5712.

Community Walk – Wren's Nest Nature Reserve next Saturday 27th April. Meet here at Christ Church at 12.45pm, and the minibus will be returning at 3.45pm. Info and or booking contact Davinder or Caz on 01384 816256 or at healthycommunities@dudley.gov.uk

Pointers

VACANCY PUBLICITY

Adverts for our new vicar are due to appear this weekend on websites of the Diocese of Worcester and our patrons CPAS, as well as in the Church of England's own internal vacancies list.

Prayer

PCC: Pray for new and existing members elected at the AGM.

Prayer 'Walk'

Pray for these roads this week:

Pedmore Road (56-108) Green Lane (30 homes) Spring Street (54) Longfield Road (26) Shepherds Brook Road (41) Would you like us to start an actual parish Prayer-Walking group? Please let us know if you would like to lead or join one.

For daily prayer suggestions see this week's diary here...

Today 21 st April	10.30am Holy Communion + AGM 6.30pm Evening Worship 6.30pm Youth Group
	Pray for newcomers and visitors to church
Monday	7.00pm Online Prayer Group Pray for new members of the PCC
Tuesday	
raceady	Pray for our Administrator and volunteers
Wednesday	10.00am Lion Club
	Pray for leaders and our church groups
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