

Sunday worship 13th June

we continue our three part series on **Money Matters** part 2: reviewing our giving

8.00am Holy Communion in Studley Church

10.00am Zoom worship

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6792975230> or meeting ID 679 297 5230

You can join on your landline or mobile phone by dialling 0208 080 6591 (London number – national rate applies). Enter the conference ID (679 297 5230) and password when requested.

If you do not know the password please contact Dan

Sunday worship coming up:

20th June **Money Matters part 3:** pledging support for the mission of Arden Marches Churches
10am Zoom service
4pm Holy Communion at Morton Bagot Church

Sunday series: Relying on God in life's big challenges

27th June 10am Holy Communion in Studley Church and online: Family Life - welcome to baptism families
6pm Soul Space at Mappleborough Church - come and rest in the Spirit's presence

4th July 10am Holy Communion at Mappleborough and online: Family Life - welcome to baptism families
3.30pm Messy Church

11th July 8am Holy Communion in Studley Church
10am Morning Worship in Mappleborough Church and online: confronting racism
4.00pm wildflower festival service at Oldberrow Church

18th July 10am Communion in Studley and online: Bereavement - with a special welcome to funeral families

25th July 10am Zoom service: confronting poverty - Amasango School
4.00pm Holy Communion at Morton Bagot Church

Studley DCC (the church council), which meets six times a year, is looking for a **minute-taker/secretary.** The role involves attending DCC meetings, taking notes on the discussion, and producing clear and concise minutes which record the key points made, all decisions reached, and any actions agreed. The minutes should normally be produced within a week of the meeting.

Requires good written communication and organisational skills, confidentiality and evening availability. If you might be willing to serve in this capacity, please contact Dan in the first instance.

Studley Says Thank You **scones needed please - and volunteers**

Further to the request for cakes last week, what we now need are scones by the score. These are to be given out (with jam and cream supplied separately!) at the Studley Festival on 3rd July as a small thank you to everyone who has volunteered during the pandemic. Please let Administrator Judith know if you would like to bake some scones for us, and how many. **If you could help serve scones for an hour or so between 12pm and 5pm that day please tell Judith.**

Gift to Year 6 leavers: every Year 6 pupil leaving **Studley St Mary's Academy and Mappleborough Green CofE Primary School** is to receive a copy of the book 'the boy, the mole, the fox and the horse' by Charlie Mackesy cost about £10. The Arden Marches Churches would like to give these books to bless these children who have had a tough couple of years as they move on from our church schools. There are 17 Mappleborough and 60 Studley leavers. If you would like to contribute to this gift, take cash in a marked envelope to the vicarage or pay by Bank Transfer to 'Parish of Studley with Mappleborough PCC' sort code 40-43-54 account 41491792 - including 'Y6 book' in the reference. (Other funds are available if we can't fully cover the costs ourselves.)

Kim Harwood has been appointed as our **Parish Safeguarding Officer**. Many thanks to her for taking on this role, and prayers for her as she takes up the responsibilities.

A new record for Studley Christian Aid Week.

A huge thank you to everybody who took part in sponsored events or helped with the Christian Aid Week envelope drop and to all who donated so generously. We raised a total of £2,235, which is a new record for the Studley group. Well done to everybody who contributed in any way.

Between us, we've helped to supply all the materials and training to build and maintain at least 3 new earth dams, which will make a huge difference to communities in Kenya that are suffering from the effects of climate change.

Since 1984, the Studley group has raised a total of more than £25,000 for the work of Christian Aid, which is a fantastic achievement. Thank you all on behalf of the many thousands of people, like Rose and Florence from Kenya, who will benefit from your generous giving.

June's eco challenge: Biodiversity– the variety of life

For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities...have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made. - Romans 1:20

Jane O'Dell writes...

Have you ever encountered a Springtail? Well, just in case you haven't, they are tiny little creatures that live in the soil and there are an estimated 100,000 individuals in a square metre of soil. There are many different species of springtail, in fact so many that we are not quite sure how many.

Life on earth is a highly intricate and complex mosaic of food chains and ecosystems involving millions of different plants and animals. Every single species plays its own unique part in the production, consumption and decomposition of organic matter on which we are completely dependent. Each occupies its own unique ecological 'niche'. Plants and animals have co-evolved over thousands of years and are entirely dependent upon each other. The Peacock Butterfly, for example, can only lay its eggs on a Stinging Nettle because that is the food plant of the caterpillar (see photo). Nothing else will do. No nettle, no Peacock Butterfly.

Just to throw in a few statistics, in Warwickshire alone, there are approximately 4,000 different species of fly (7,500 in the UK) 2,240 different species of beetle (4,130 in the UK) and 323 species of spider (700 in the UK). There are 36 species of butterfly recorded in Warwickshire (59 in the UK) and 1,300 species of moth (2,300 in the UK). There are countless vertebrates and invertebrates. There are 150 different grasses in the UK, thousands of flowering plants, lichens, fungi, ferns and algae. There are even over 90 different species of bramble! The variety is endless.

Without doubt human beings are the most dangerous species on earth with the ability to destroy all this by the way we live. We must learn to look at creation as a gift and not as a commodity.

How does your garden or local green space reflect God's glory? What could you do to encourage biodiversity?



PRAYER

Daily Prayer: weekdays 9.30am and 9.30pm on Arden Marches Churches Facebook page.

Churches open for personal prayer:

Oldberrow Church is always open for personal prayer

Mappleborough Church: Wednesdays 11am-12pm

Studley Church: Thursdays 11am-12pm

For your prayers

Contact Judith McLelland to add the names of people in urgent and critical need of prayer (with their permission). People remain on the list for 4 weeks (do contact Judith if they need to remain after this)

We pray for people in particular need including: **Enid Thomas, Kate Crawford, Lynda Holmes, Melissa Lammas, Val Greathead, Sue Ludlow and Ross Cruickshank**

We commend to God all who have died recently and pray for their families, including: **Janet Blundell, Arthur Tostevin**

Prayer for the week

Faithful Creator, whose mercy never fails:

deepen our faithfulness to you and to your living Word, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Making a donation to our churches

	Sort Code	Account
Studley Parish Church	40-43-54	61000861
Tower Repairs Studley Parish Church Fabric	40-43-54	11201239
Mappleborough Green Church Committee	40-43-54	00558532
Morton Bagot PCC	40-43-54	60600547
Oldberrow PCC	40-43-19	61173928

Thank you so much to the many people who are continuing to support us financially. You can make a donation anytime using a bank card by phoning Dan Corlett, or by electronic bank transfer (please include your name as the reference for Gift Aid purposes)

To give by cheque, use the church name as in this table, and send the cheque to The Vicarage or pass it directly to the treasurer. Cash donations may be taken to The Vicarage.

Please consider giving regularly to our church using the Parish Giving Scheme (info from Judith)

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News sheet deadline 2pm Thursday

Our website is www.ardenmarches.co.uk

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