

SAINT JOHN'S



ANGLICAN CHURCH

Dear Parishioner of St John's Finch Street,

I commend to you the enclosed materials for worship at home, either alone or with a small group, while we are unable to meet together in church buildings during this difficult time.

Please find enclosed a four-page card which contains a service of Morning Prayer – although it can be used at any time. This service can be used week by week and perhaps you would like to put it on a mantle or in another prominent place in your home. You may like to set aside a space for prayer and worship, perhaps marking it out with a candle, a Bible, a cross or some prayerful images or icons.

To supplement this weekly service, please also find enclosed a series of 'Resource Sheets' particular to certain weeks and days. These contain readings, a hymn for singing or reading through, suggestions of music, prayers and a poem reflection appropriate to the day and season. Please do feel free to use as much or as little of this as you find helpful. These resources will also be available digitally and there contain links to the text of the readings and the music.

This pack contains materials for Palm Sunday through to Easter Day – thereafter the weekly 'Resource Sheet' will be made available online and through email.

Although we are not able to gather together in our beloved church for worship during this most holy season of the Christian year, I pray that we will still be able to worship together 'in Spirit' in our homes and in our hearts where the Risen Christ is always present. We worship too with all the heavenly host, an image so evocatively drawn out in the 'Song of the Church' which it is particularly appropriate for us to proclaim together during this time.

Further resources for fellowship, continuing Christian education and study, pastoral care, prayer and devotion will continue to be made available by email and online – find us on 'Facebook' or check the website. Until that day when we are able to meet again, let us hunger and thirst for the Lord and continue to proclaim the hope that is within us in worship and witness.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alee", written in a cursive style.