



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

St Mary's Bransgore
All Saints Thorney Hill
St Michael's Hinton
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Sunday Service for 29th
March 2020

In light of the Government guidance, the Archbishops of Canterbury and York have issued advice that public worship is suspended until further notice. Sadly, this means that we will not be conducting services or other events at All Saints, St Michael's or St Mary's for the time being. However, this is certainly not a time for your Christian faith to take a back seat!

- **Every Sunday morning we will be posting a film of a service** featuring some splendid hymns, readings, prayers and a short talk suitable for all ages. A variety of people from our three churches will be involved in this. Please make engaging with this a priority! A link to the service will be on the website and on our Facebook pages.
- We are working with our ecumenical friends to support the most vulnerable in our communities. As well as supporting our own Church family, **our particular focus will be on feeding children** who normally receive free school meals and their families.
- To this end, we'll be **collecting food** for meal packages. For details, see overleaf.
- **Volunteers** are to get in touch with Ben (01425 672850 / 07990695830 / vicar@bransgoreandhinton.org). Similarly, when you have found someone in need and have discussed it with them, please let us know how we can help them. More details of how you can help on the next page.
- Now that we're all in lockdown, this may be a good time to get into better habits with prayer and Bible reading. Perhaps have a go with the Bible reading notes overleaf.
- If you are able to so, please be in frequent contact with friends from Church and offer help if you are in a position to do so. Remember that we are all the Church and the response of the Church to this crisis is not just the responsibility of other people.

Benefice Prayer Bulletin

People: Joan Bennett; Maureen Small; Annie Thomas; Garry Rowing; Claire Williams; Trevor Lyons; Pat Wainright; Janice Beardmore-Wilde; Ken Dix; Peter Sanderson; Eric Letts; Hazel Voce; Pam Marchant; Ron and Sheila Baldwin; Canon Patrick Elkins; Jose Antonio Garcia; the family of Yve Gerwat

General: All who work in caring professions and, in particular, those working with COVID-19 patients; for the vulnerable and forgotten people of our communities; for families struggling to educate their children at home; for victims of domestic abuse; for those who have lost work; for the bereaved; for the government to make the best decisions on behalf of everyone

Bible studies

What's the most embarrassing thing that's ever happened to you? When do you ever feel embarrassed about being a Christian?

Read Romans 1.1-17

Who is Romans by? What does he say about himself?

Paul is really interested in the 'Gospel'. Using verses 1-6 and 16-17, what does Paul say that the Gospel is? What does this mean?

Looking at verses 7-15, why does Paul want to write to the Church in Rome? What are they like?

How could our Church be more like the Church in Rome?

If the Gospel is a message about rescue, what should you do with it? How can you do this?

What do you find most amazing about the natural world? Is there anything that makes you say 'wow'?

Read Romans 1.18-32

Why is God angry? How have people behaved?

Why should people know about God? (19-20)

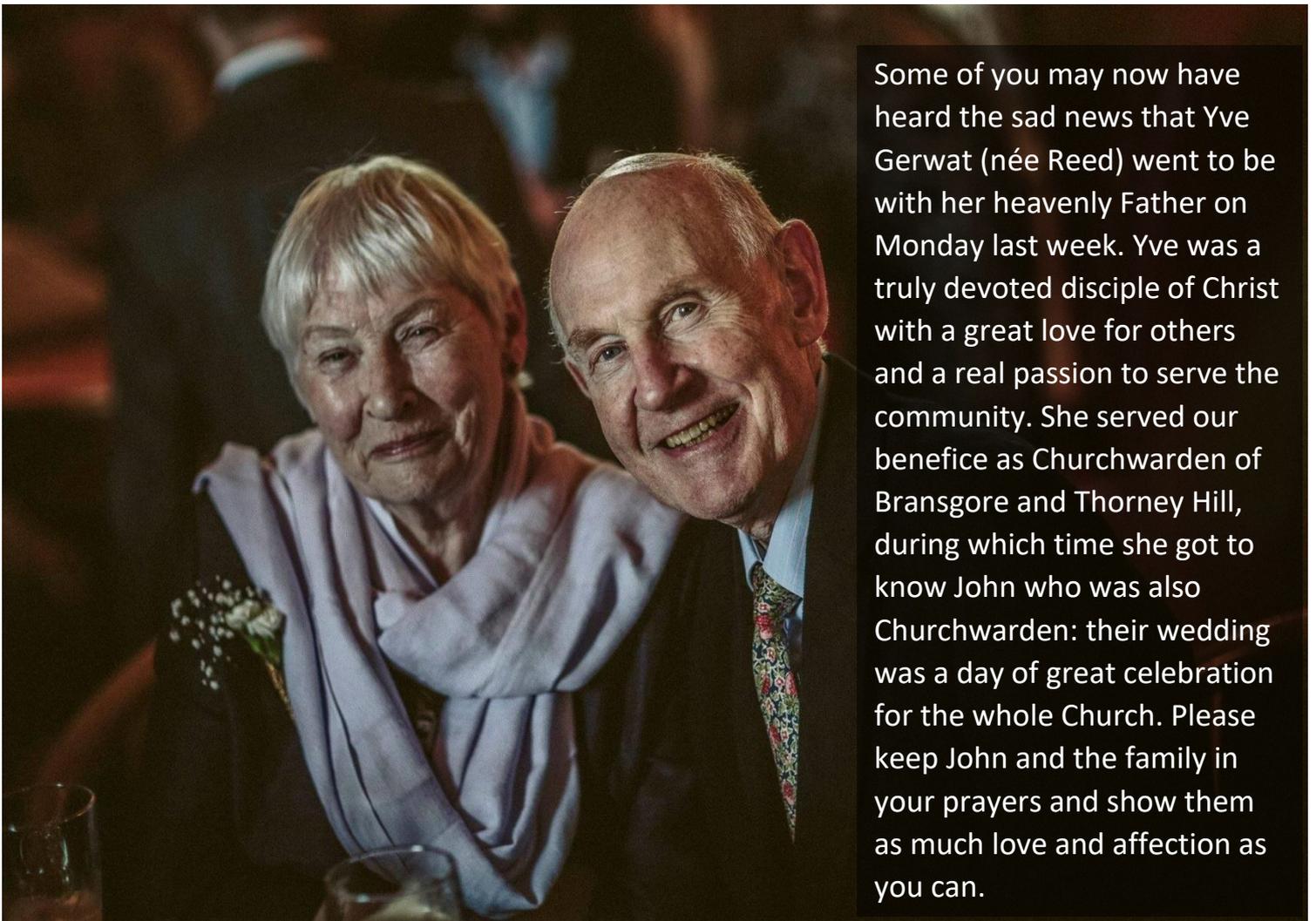
How have people responded to God? (21-23) What swap have people made? Is that a good swap?

How does God respond to this? (the point here is that God lets us go the way we have chosen)

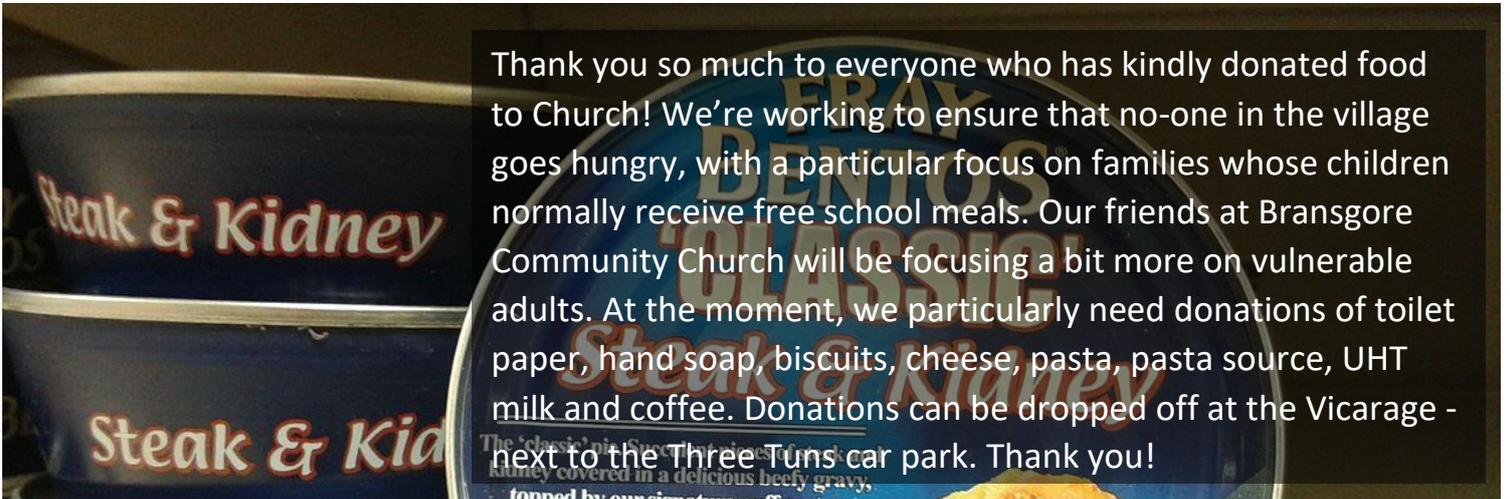
What do verses 28-32 tell us about what people are like? Do you think that's true?

What's the evidence in the world around us?

How does our passage today help us to understand why Paul says what he does in 1.16-17?



Some of you may now have heard the sad news that Yve Gerwat (née Reed) went to be with her heavenly Father on Monday last week. Yve was a truly devoted disciple of Christ with a great love for others and a real passion to serve the community. She served our benefice as Churchwarden of Bransgore and Thorney Hill, during which time she got to know John who was also Churchwarden: their wedding was a day of great celebration for the whole Church. Please keep John and the family in your prayers and show them as much love and affection as you can.



Thank you so much to everyone who has kindly donated food to Church! We're working to ensure that no-one in the village goes hungry, with a particular focus on families whose children normally receive free school meals. Our friends at Bransgore Community Church will be focusing a bit more on vulnerable adults. At the moment, we particularly need donations of toilet paper, hand soap, biscuits, cheese, pasta, pasta source, UHT milk and coffee. Donations can be dropped off at the Vicarage - next to the Three Tuns car park. Thank you!



Ben is collecting a list of names of those who are willing and able to help out in a number of practical ways: dropping off meals, doing shopping, collecting prescriptions and cataloguing butterfly collections (perhaps not the last one). Please get in touch if you've not done so already.