

# ABINGTON AVENUE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH



Sunday 7 April 2024 -Welcome to today's service which is led by Dave Hefford in the Gathering and Revd Jane Wade in the Sanctuary.

Verse for the week: On the road to Emmaus: ...beginning with Moses and all the prophets, He (the risen Jesus) explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself [Luke 24 v.27]

What's On: week beginning 8 April 2024

Monday 8 April	-	-
Tuesday 9 April	9:30-11:30	Badminton (Upper Hall)
Wednesday 10 April	12-12.30 19:30-21:00	Synod prayer visit (Sanctuary)  (Church Members meeting Conference Room)
Thursday 11 April	9:00 - 11:30	Prayer and Bible Study (Conference Room)
Friday 12 April	10:00-13:30	Welcome Space/Friday Lunch (Centrum/Conference Room)
Saturday 13 April	10:00-13:30	Child Contact Centre
Sunday 14 April	10:30-12:00 18:30-20:00	Morning Worship 7UP (Upper Hall)

This table shows church activities during the week. There are also regular and one-off hires. If you wish to use or access church rooms, please check availability with the church office.

For further details of our events please see website [aaurc.co.uk](http://aaurc.co.uk)  
or contact the Church Office: [office.aaurc@gmail.com](mailto:office.aaurc@gmail.com) Phone: 01604 604623

The church Office hours are Monday - Friday 9.30-12.30

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If you would like the church to pray for a concern you have, please speak to the Minister or member of the leadership team.

Some suggestions for your prayers this week:

8/4	Pray for yourself insight from God on how the Bible, both Old and New Testaments, shows us God's plan for our salvation in what Jesus has done.
9/4	Pray for the life of the church at AAURC - for new people to feel called to join us in mission here.
10/4	Pray for the many nations of the world facing instability.
11/4	Pray for those in your street/apartment block who you know only vaguely and for the opportunity to know them better.
12/4	Pray that God will make us positive people - positive about our faith and positive about the power of the Holy Spirit that energises us in mission and service.
13/4	Pray for the drought-torn areas of the world.
14/4	Pray for more opportunities to work in mission with the other churches in the Abington area.

## Our services are live streamed.

Please be aware that today's service will be livestreamed on Facebook and the recording may stay there up to 3 months. Every effort is made not to film the congregation unless folk have agreed. If needed, please discuss further with Revd. Jane Wade.

## Upcoming events:

10th April 2024 - 12-12:30pm - Prayer Pilgrimage by Richard Knott - Children and Youth Development Worker (Synod) - Sanctuary - All are invited to join Richard in the Sanctuary at the above date and time, to join in prayer. Alternatively, you can pray at this time when Richard is at the church wherever you are physically located or send any specific prayer requests for your church and community that Richard can include in his prayers. These requests do not need to exclusively focus on children, young people, and families. Please send any requests to [trainingpa@urc5.org.uk](mailto:trainingpa@urc5.org.uk)

10th April 2024 - Church Members meeting 7:30-9pm - Conference Room.

21st April 2024 - Sharing Lunch - Conference Room



The Organ Voluntary this morning is a setting, of Katherine Tynan's beautiful poem, All in the April evening.

In view of the appropriateness of the words to this season, members of the congregation might wish to meditate on the meaning of the poem as the music is played.

*All in the April evening, April airs were abroad.  
The sheep with their little lambs passed me by on the road.  
All in the April evening I thought of the Lamb of God.*

*The lambs were weary and crying with a weak human cry,  
I thought of the Lamb of God going meekly to die.  
Up in the blue mountains, dewy pastures are sweet.  
Rest for the little bodies, rest for the little feet.*

*But for the Lamb of God, up on the hill-top green,  
Only a cross, two stark crosses between.  
All in the April evening, April airs were abroad.  
I saw the sheep with their lambs, and thought of the Lamb of God.*