

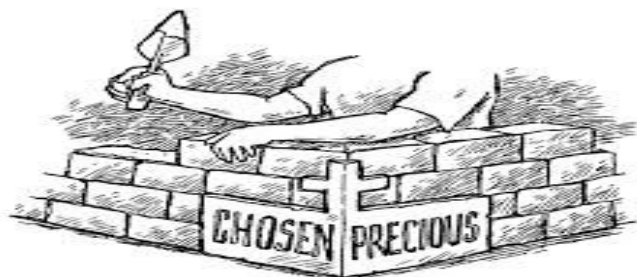
Sunday 21st May 2017
6th Sunday of Easter
09:00am Holy Communion

President and Preacher: Revd Sr. Elizabeth Shearcroft, C.A.

Readings : Acts 17:22-31 NT page 134
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Collect

Almighty God,
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us the gate of
everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going before us
you put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help
we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen

Diary Dates

Wednesday, 17th May

- Finance Committee Meeting, 7.30pm at 2 Fontaine Road

Thursday, 18th May

- CAIAS - 10:30am in the Common Room. Today: Give Us A Clue.

Saturday, 20th May

- Wey Island barbecue and sleepover (see notice)

Monday, 22nd May

- MAP group meeting. 7:30pm at 2 Fontaine Road

Wednesday, 24th May

- PCC Meeting, 8pm in the Common Room

Thursday, 25th May

- Ascension Day Deanery Holy Communion Service at St Leonard's, Streatham, 8pm. Launching "Thy Kingdom Come" and giving thanks for the work of our Deanery Synod and those who have served for the past three years. (President: Bishop Christopher)

Start the Day Right 9am

Morning prayer in chapel on Monday and Wednesday (please check with Marion re Bank Holiday Mondays in May).

Unfortunately we are unable to guarantee morning prayer taking place on Tuesdays & Thursdays so please check with Elizabeth for these days.

Accessible Light - 22nd July 2017

We would like to get an idea of how many want to come to this day with sacred space and prayer ministry, so if you plan to come **please sign up** as soon as possible on the sheet on the notice board in the foyer. There is further information on the notice board. We are limited to 20 people - but if fewer want to come from Immanuel we would like to be able to offer some places to other churches.

OUR APCM

If you missed the meeting on 30 April, please take copies of the reports which are available in the foyer. Unfortunately, despite our pleas, no one was found to replace our Churchwardens so we currently do not have any! PLEASE talk to Elizabeth if you can help. We are desperate!

Prayer pointers Easteride Prayer

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

- For guidance as we seek to fill the vacancies for churchwardens and two elected PCC members.
- For Celine Silvy Gittens and Evelin Joan Benson as we celebrate their for Baptism next week.
- For the refugee situation and any support we can offer.
- For those who run our local Foodbank; that our gift and their labours will share God's Love with others.
- For guidance and inspiration as we respond to 'Thy Kingdom come' ~ the Archbishops' Call to Prayer.
- For Kite Day taking place on our Common today.

Welcome Bags ~ the launch continues!

As part of our MAP (Mission Action Plan) a welcome pack has been created for all new members of our church. We are giving one to every family to showcase our new logo and to remind you what we have to offer. We hope that you will feel re-welcomed! We are asking for a non-compulsory contribution of £5 towards the cost of the pack. We will also be asking all congregation members to reconsider their regular Giving to God, starting with the new welcome pack. Many of you may wish to continue to give the £5 a week on top of what we currently receive, and that would be a huge blessing, but again it is not compulsory. Nevertheless please continue to hold your Giving in prayer as we at Immanuel need your help to do God's work. This launch is an exciting time for us and hopefully you will find the content of the Welcome Bag both useful and enjoyable.

WEY ISLAND BARBECUE AND SLEEPOVER

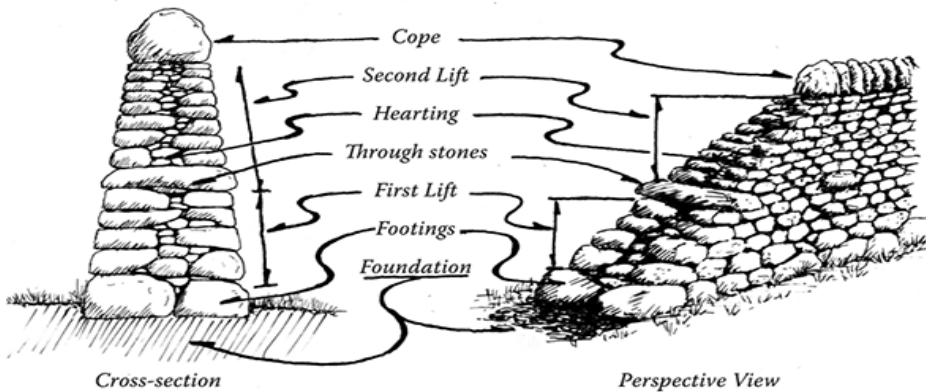
A church weekend for all the family, including pets. We travel by car to the island where we play games or chill out and relax, with a barbecue in the evening (please bring food). If you would like to stay over in the dorms you can drive back the next day (no pets overnight). There is no cost for this lovely weekend get-together. Sign up on the list in the foyer if you would like to attend.

Ministry Musings (14th May 2017)
Alleluia He is Risen

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So reflect this week ~ YOU are a living stone ~ a different shape and size from every other living stone ~ but that is the way God has created you. Each stone is important and has its valued and special place. Look at a dry stone wall ~ it relies on all the stones together for its strength ~ some form the foundation, others the footings, still more the hearting (filling) stones, then there are through stones and coping stones. If one is missing or out of place then the wall is weakened. They are chosen and precious to the creator and each has a special function. What type of living stone are you and have you let the creator guide you to your place in the wall?



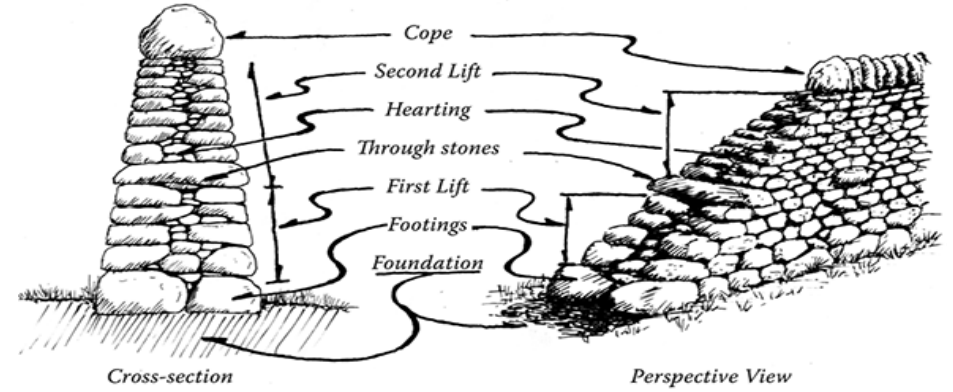
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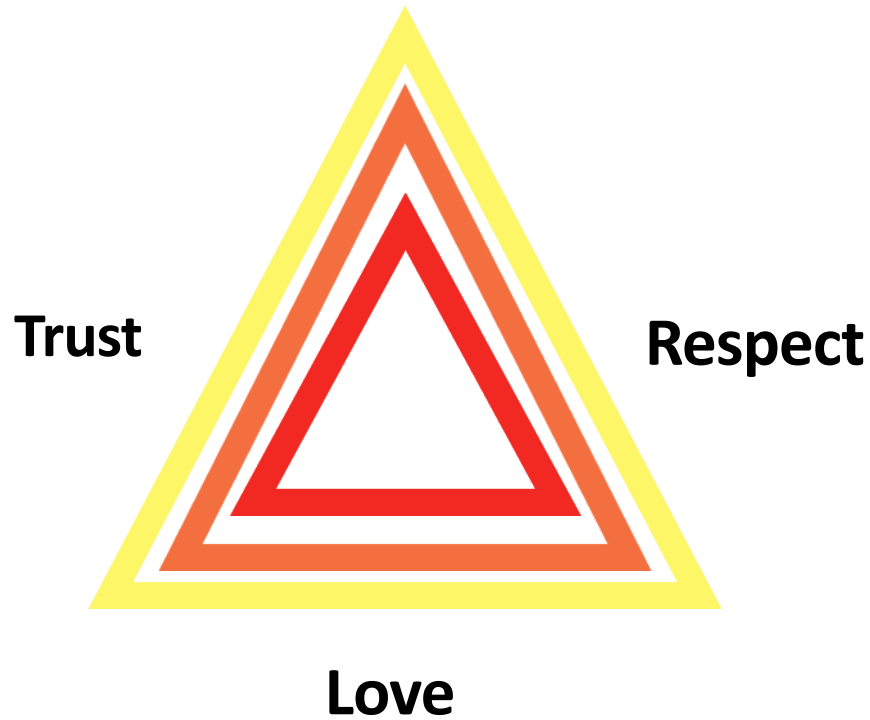
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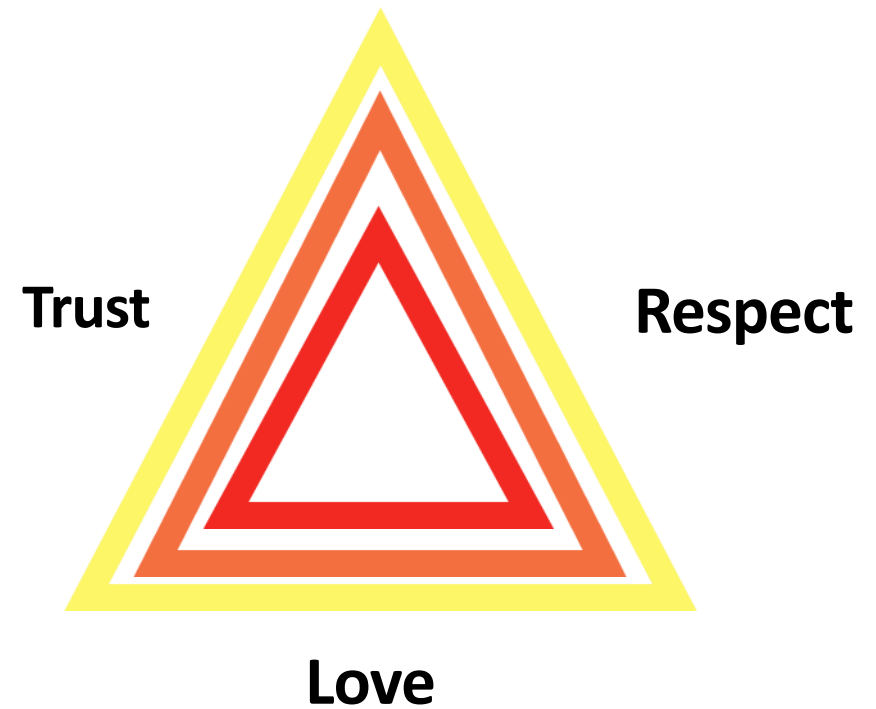
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