



# Stockport Sunday School

April 2020 Newsletter 2



Compass Point was empty on Easter Sunday due to the restrictions caused by the horrendous corona virus epidemic .

However, thanks to the technical skills of Stuart Dean, we were able to hold our first ever on-line service to celebrate this very special date in the Christian calendar.

After the opening welcome by Stuart as members checked in, we heard a recorded version of Isaac Watts much loved hymn 'When I survey the wondrous cross.'

Walter then went on to say the critical situation afflicting our country, and the world as a whole, was understandably causing much concern. However it shouldn't cause us to fall into despair. Instead, he asked us to reflect on the experience of the disciples following Jesus's arrest and subsequent crucifixion.

Judith Higgins then read, from St John's Gospel, Chapter 20, the account of Mary at the empty tomb and the subsequent appearance of Jesus to His disciples.

Their encounter with their risen Lord enabled them to put their trust in God, overcome their fears and spread the gospel news despite the risks involved.

So the Easter message for us, in the difficult days ahead, is for us to put our trust in God likewise, and whatever befalls, follow Christ's commandment to love our neighbours, both in our personal contacts, and also in the policies and actions that we require of those in authority and power.

After a time of prayer, we heard the rousing Easter hymn 'Thine be the glory ', followed by the closing prayer written by Norman and Joyce Sellers.

The service closed with a video sent in by Joyce Darvill, of her great niece, Lucy, singing the Gary Barlow song, 'Sing'.

Our thanks go to all who contributed to, and took part in, a very enjoyable and worthwhile time of worship.

OUR NEXT ONLINE SERVICE WILL BE SUNDAY 26TH APRIL AT 2.30PM.



## NORMAN AND JOYCE SELLERS' EASTER SERVICE PRAYER

Our Father,

Give us the faith to believe that it is possible for us to live victorious even in the midst of dangerous opportunity that we call crisis. Help us to see that there is something better than patient endurance or keeping a stiff upper lip. Trusting in Thee, may we have the faith knowing that all things work together for good to them that love Thee.

Through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

Amen



### TREASURER'S REPORT

A payment of £301.26 has been paid into the School No. 1 account from HMRC, gift aid on the donations for 2019.

If you make a donation at any time and are a tax payer, please see Joyce Sellers to sign a leaflet, which is strictly private and confidential, so that we can claim back gift aid.

### GET WELL SOON

We were sorry to hear that Charles Hunt has been in hospital for 5 days with chest pains, but are pleased to report that he is home again and feeling much better.

We send our best wishes to everyone else who has not been feeling well recently.



## Lancashire Hill Sunday School

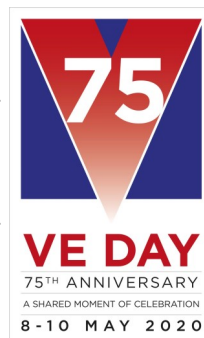
### ZOOM SERVICE

Thanks to everyone who joined the Virtual Service on Zoom - it was good to see people on screen as well as hear their voices. I am sure we will find new ways to use this technology in the future even when we are back to "normal".



For future newsletters maybe you would like to write a piece letting us know how you are getting on with staying at home.

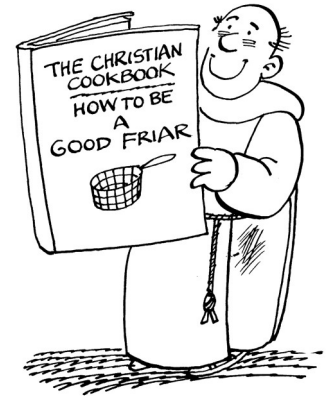
As next month we should be marking the 75th Anniversary of VE Day, but because of the current situation celebrations have had to be cancelled, would you like to tell us any memories of VE Day itself or the celebrations that you have taken part in over the years since to mark this important day. To mark this event, the first May Bank Holiday this year has been moved from Monday 4th May to Friday 8th May.





## KEEP BUSY

After receiving comments from people after the last newsletter how they enjoyed having the puzzles and would also like to see the recipes from Lancashire Hill included, we have included a few extra here for you from both Lancashire Hill and Compass Point, along with a few 'Smile Lines'.



### Recipe

## Spicy Chicken Fillets

Serves 4

*4 garlic cloves, crushed*

*150ml low-fat natural yogurt*

*1 tablespoon grated onion*

*1 chilli, de-seeded and finely diced*

*1 teaspoon each of ground coriander, cumin, fenugreek, paprika and ginger*

*Pinch of mustard powder*

*4 chicken breast fillets, cut in large strips*

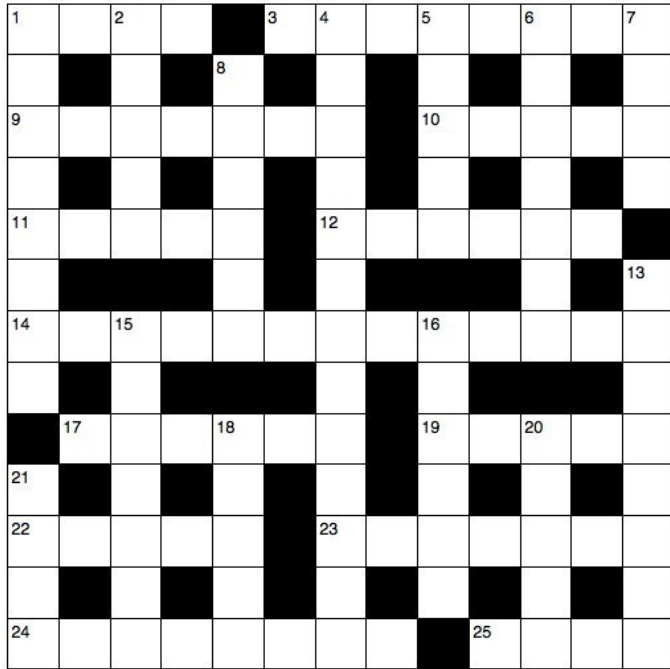
*Lime wedges*

Mix together the garlic, yogurt, onion, chilli, spices and mustard. Add the chicken and marinate overnight.

Scrape most of the yogurt from the chicken, and chargrill or grill for 3-4 minutes on each side.

Serve with lime wedges, rice and a green veg or salad.





### Across

- 1 'Therefore let us — passing judgment on one another' (Romans 14:13) (4)  
 3 'I — — these persons here present' (Marriage service) (4,4)  
 9 According to a prearranged timetable (Numbers 28:3) (7)  
 10 Group of eight (5)  
 11 The cell into which the Philippian jailer put Paul and Silas (Acts 16:24) (5)  
 12 — Taylor, pioneer missionary to China (6)  
 14 Otherwise known as the Eucharist, Breaking of Bread, the Lord's Table (4,9)  
 17 'So that after I have preached to others, I — will not be disqualified for the prize' (1 Corinthians 9:27) (6)  
 19 Attend to (3,2)  
 22 Approximately (Acts 4:4) (5)  
 23 Tea rite (anag.) (7)  
 24 Rule of sovereign (8)  
 25 Test (anag.) (4)

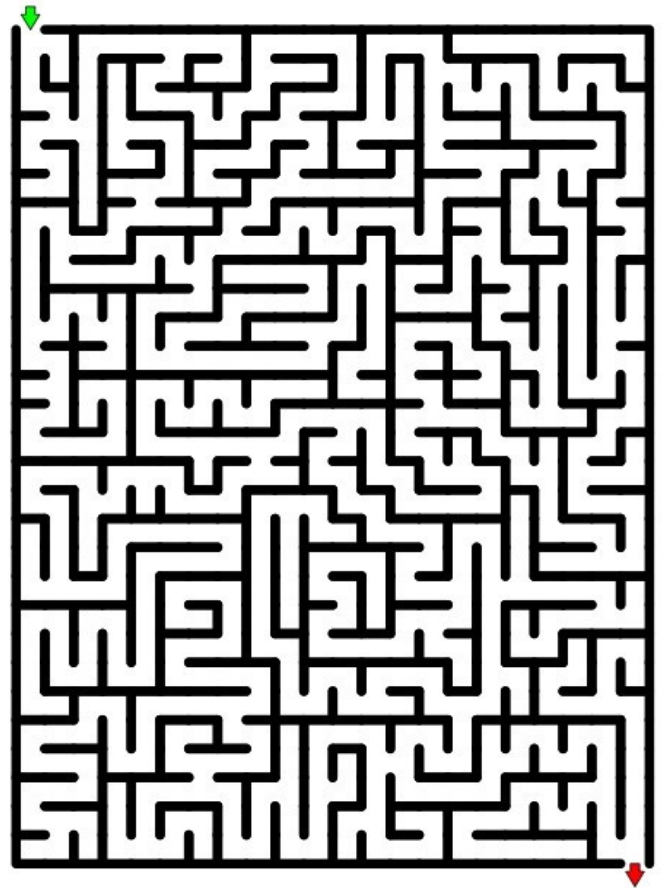
### Down

- 1 The name of the street where Judas lived in Damascus and where Saul of Tarsus stayed (Acts 9:11) (8)  
 2 'The playing of the merry — , sweet singing in the choir' (5)  
 4 'We have been saying that — — was credited to him as righteous' (Romans 4:9) (8,5)  
 5 Dr Martyn — Jones, famous for his ministry at Westminster Chapel (5)  
 6 Port at which Paul landed on his way to Rome (Acts 28:13) (7)  
 7 Observe (Ruth 3:4) (4)  
 8 Minister of religion (6)  
 13 'I am — of this man's blood. It is your responsibility' (Matthew 27:24) (8)  
 15 'Greater love has no one than this, that he — — his life for his friends' (John 15:13) (3,4)  
 16 Archbishop who calculated that the world began in 4004BC (6)  
 18 'No one can — the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit' (John 3:5) (5)  
 20 Establish by law (5)  
 21 Product of Gilead noted for its healing properties (Jeremiah 46:11) (4)





Can you make your way around the maze, starting at the green arrow and finishing at the red arrow.



...er... the good news is the youth-group have made a great start by pressure-washing the west window...

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**KEEP SMILING**

**Don't Break'em**

There was a very gracious lady who was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country. "Is there anything breakable in here?" asked the postal clerk. The lady paused for a moment. "Only the Ten Commandments," she said politely.

**Packet?**

A small boy was asking his mother where he came from and when he heard his mother's explanation, he replied: 'Mummy, when God planted the seed in your tummy, was there a photo of me on the packet?'

**Darts**

Players picked for St Andrew's darts team will be pinned to the board on Thursday.

**Notices Displayed At A Garden Centre**

- Any unaccompanied children will be sold as garden gnomes or slaves.
- Children found misbehaving will be asked to take their parents home immediately.

**From church notice-sheets:**

Next Sunday Mrs Brown will sing a solo at the morning service before the vicar preaches on the subject of 'Terrible experiences and how to survive them'.

At the Easter Service, Mrs Jones, the Youth Leader, was asked to come to the front and lay an egg on the altar.

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