

Highcliffe and Bransgore Methodist Churches

Dear Friends, both near and far,

We are in the time of resurrection and Hallelujah is our cry!

Welcome to the fourth week in our six week Resurrection to Pentecost series, "Jesus builds His renewed Church." This week's title is, "Jesus strengthens his church" using the text from Luke 24: 36-49. The previous weeks are always on our YouTube channel along with the links to the Worship at Home sheets should you have missed any particular week or just want to use them again.

For those of you new to church and for the rest of us who could do with a reminder, the local gathered church is a body of people, learning, struggling, growing in faith and doing life together following Jesus. Here we have no hierarchy, no human head and no special inner groups or cliques, any roles we undertake we do so willingly and humbly as our service to God. Jesus Christ is the head of the body, which is the church (from the letter to the Colossians 1:18) and we are all under his authority alone.

Deacon Paul Wayne brings our preaching message on both the video and in the Worship at Home sheets with his wife, Marie, reading the Bible texts. Our first worship song has Derek and Janet singing God's praises which I hope you will stand and join in with enthusiastically from your homes. This week's Bible study is provided for us by Kathy.

Should you require prayer for any situation you are facing or have any questions or comments you are very welcome to contact me, this is an invitation for all who receive these resources, either directly or forwarded by a friend, just click "reply" to this email.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to this week's resources and to those who faithfully every week distribute the printed versions to those who cannot receive them electronically. Be blessed as we use them together to worship our extraordinary God.

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