

Updates for the week of 22nd March 2020

Sunday, 22nd March 2020

A National Day of Prayer for Mothering Sunday

11am Live online service led by Rev Mark Slaney.
[youtube.com/channel/UCqMz31V_plsq89v_KXAAICw](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqMz31V_plsq89v_KXAAICw)

7pm Place a light in your windows, a sign of the Light of Christ, the constant in these times of uncertainty and isolation.

All physical community gatherings and activities for our congregation have, as you hopefully know by now, been suspended until further notice.

YMCA Edinburgh has also cancelled its AGM, which was planned for the coming Friday.

You will all have a bit more time to finish reading some more books to pass on to the **Christian Aid Book Sale** once the new week for it has been decided.

MWiB Easter Offering is being postponed until October with services to take place in November, all being well.

Fresh Start has decided to suspend collecting donations from the public in order to curb potential virus spread in handling so many items. They are seeking to provide their services through other means, widening the area they cover with food and supply packs for as many people as they can. If you check in on their website for further details and a donations page for funds to help. freshstartweb.org

Much thought and effort is being put towards keeping people in touch through online internet means, through phone calls and practical help if needed:

CEMC Keeping Touch is one Facebook Page to check in on.

forthvalleycircuit.org.uk and **methodistchurchinscotland.net/resources-2/worship-resources-for-online-and-at-home/** have many links to resources including services streamed live.

Further contact details will follow. Email Helen at revhelen@chjenkins.plus.com if you need to talk or wish to organise help for yourself or to offer yours.