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'Myths are made for the imagination to breathe life into them.' Albert Camus.

Come along to our next Poetry Please at 10.30 on Friday 1st May when our theme will be 'Fantasy - myths, legends and folklore.' Everyone's welcome!



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AGM FEEDBACK

Thanks to all who contributed to the discussion at our AGM. We were asked what, in 2025, we would like to celebrate that fulfilled our Mission Statement.

Here are some responses:

'The World's Most Exciting Book' course; the welcome and friendship offered in the church (especially for those who come on their own); Messy Church and Messy Morning; community lunches; worship; times when we meet (e.g. BBQ); Noah's Ark; craft days; Foodbank; ; sharing God's love through our activities. Also that we keep up our attendance despite declining church membership.

And what in our Mission Statement do we need to work on next?

Outreach; courses (such as Alpha and Emmaus); communication and, if we have capacity, promoting the church through our activities. Other ideas included increasing donations and more volunteers.

Something for us all to reflect on in this!



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PENTECOST SUNDAY

We celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit to the Church at Pentecost - Sunday 24th May.

O breath of love, come breathe within us,
renewing thought and will and heart;
come, love of Christ, afresh to win us,
revive your church in every part!

O wind of God, come bend us, break us
till humbly we confess our need;
then, in your tenderness remake us,
revive, restore - for this we plead.



O breath of life, come sweeping
through us,
revive your Church with life and power;
O breath of life, come cleanse, renew us
and fit your Church to meet this hour.

Elizabeth A. P. Head (1850-1936) altd

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

'Urban farming has changed my life.'

Fridah lives in Dagoretti, Kenya, with her children and grandson in a rented corrugated metal shelter

without running water. Life was unpredictable. Some days there was enough. Some days there

was not. The worry returned every morning. To support her family, Fridah sells vegetables at a market stall. She travelled long distances six days a week to buy produce.

Fridah's situation began to change when she joined Imarisha Kilimo, an urban farming project run by Christian Aid's partner, Beacon of Hope. At first, the idea felt impossible: 'I was wondering, where can someone farm here in Nairobi?' But through training, tools and seeds,

Fridah began to see what was possible - even in the smallest spaces. 'I discovered I could sow here. Right where I stand,' she shared.



Hidden at the end of a narrow alley, behind a simple gate, Fridah has created something remarkable. In a

place where you'd never expect it, vegetables now grow in repurposed containers, and leafy greens climb every available space. Here, in the heart of the city, Fridah is growing her own food.

Read Fridah's full story on [Growing hope in a small city space | Christian Aid Week](#)

Christian Aid week begins on May 10th. Please support this Christian Aid appeal and help others find security and peace



What's on in May?

(In the Christian Centre unless otherwise stated)

Fri 1st 10.30-12 noon **Poetry Please**

Weds 6th & 20th 10am-12 noon **Craft Group**

Thurs 7th 2.30-4.30pm **Flower Arranging Group**

Sun 10th **Messy Church cancelled**

Thurs 14th & 28th 2-4pm **Board Game Café**

Sat 16th 10.30-11.30am **Book Club**

Sun 17th 10.45 **Messy Morning**

Tues 26th 12.30pm **Community Lunch**

Every Sunday 10.45am **Morning Worship**

Every Tuesday 10-12 noon **Coffee Drop-in**

Wednesdays 7.15pm **Home Group**, (dates to be advised - please check weekly worship sheet e-mail)

Every Friday 7.30pm **Table Tennis**

LIFTS TO CHURCH

For those who find it difficult to get to church, it may be possible to arrange for someone to bring you. Several drivers already offer this to members of the congregation. In addition, following our AGM, Monika Schiffer has offered to co-ordinate lifts when needed. She can only do so, of course, if she has several volunteers who will offer to drive people to church!

If you can offer lifts occasionally or regularly, please speak to Monika. If you need a lift, she will try to arrange some help for you. Monika can be contacted on 07548 366322 or 01296 696925.

