



Welcome to our Service.



Tracy Kenny is speaking to us today.



Family News.

Jack is still weak in body but as determined as ever and it was good to have him worshipping with us last Sunday.

Joyce Dickerson has been very unwell this week and has had to spend several days in bed.

Rita Wing is feeling better, but has to wait several weeks before she will know whether the recent surgery has been effective.

Half term will provide a breather for our young people doing exams, and time for some more revision.

Ruth, (Christine's daughter) will be crossing the Atlantic this week and is still troubled by seasickness so is not looking forward to it.

Janice's mum is visiting for a few days and we hope she enjoys her stay.

Little Acorns

On Monday 45 children came to play with us, decorate flower pots, and to plant sunflower seeds at Little Acorns. We won't see each other again until Monday week because of the Bank Holiday, at which time we will start the big uninterrupted run up to the summer holidays. We are currently making plans for our summer party, which we are likely to hold on Monday 19 July. Because we plan additional activities (body-size bubbles, balloons, fancy coffees are just some of the ideas in the works!), we will need extra pairs of hands on that day, so if anyone would like to plan to come along for that day, we would be grateful - and we guarantee good fun.

We are also starting to make plans for the autumn - and for the first time in the fourteen years Little Acorns has been running, we are also considering summer plans. We hope to circulate dates and places to the families, to say 'we'll be playing here' in case they want to join us. These won't be Acorns events that we will have responsibility for, but are rather letting people know that we'll be in a particular park or venue if they want to come along on the same day. We are trying the first one at Gressenhall on Friday 2 July for a pre-school event, and sixteen Acorns mums and dads, plus all their little ones, have signed up to come!

We are always looking for more ways we can do more for the families in a way that will be meaningful to them, but without imposing more on our wonderful and dedicated volunteer base. Please let us know if you can get involved in any way, even if it's behind the scenes driving a computer!

This week at Wymondham Baptist Church:

- Thursday:** 7.30 pm Home group at 2 Albansfield, Wymondham.
- Friday:** 10.30am Lounge group at church.
- Sunday:** 10:30am Sunday Communion Service with Alan preaching.
6:30pm Cafe-style church with talk, questions and discussion on the theme: "What does God think about war?"

Please pray for:



- Monday:** Eileen and Mike Circuit and family
- Tuesday:** Karen George
- Wednesday:** Emma and Paul Smith and family
- Thursday:** Melanie and Nigel Calow and family
- Friday:** Helen and Rob Chambers and family
- Saturday:** Alan and Megan Barker, our link missionaries in Nepal
- Sunday:** Alan and Janice and the cafe-style meeting this evening

Why Did JESUS Fold the Napkin? Do you know why?

This is just beautiful.

Why Did Jesus Fold the Napkin?

The Gospel of John (20:7) tells us that the napkin, which was placed over the face of Jesus, was not just thrown aside like the grave clothes.

The Bible takes an entire verse to tell us that the napkin was neatly folded, and was placed at the head of that stony coffin.

Early Sunday morning, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and found that the stone had been rolled away from the entrance.

She ran and found Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved. She said, 'They have taken the Lord's body out of the tomb, and I don't know where they have put him!'

Peter and the other disciple ran to the tomb to see. The other disciple outran Peter and got there first. He stopped and looked in and saw the linen cloth lying there, but he didn't go in.

Then Simon Peter arrived and went inside. He also noticed the linen wrappings lying there, while the cloth that had covered Jesus' head was folded up and lying to the side.

Was that important? Absolutely!

Is it really significant? Yes!

In order to understand the significance of the folded napkin, you have to understand a little bit about Hebrew tradition of that day.

The folded napkin had to do with the Master and Servant, and every Jewish boy knew this tradition.

When the servant set the dinner table for the master, he made sure that it was exactly the way the master wanted it.

The table was furnished perfectly, and then the servant would wait, just out of sight, until the master had finished eating, and the servant would not dare touch that table, until the master was finished..

Now if the master were done eating, he would rise from the table, wipe his fingers, his mouth, and clean his beard, and would wad up that napkin and toss it onto the table.

The servant would then know to clear the table. For in those days, the wadded napkin meant, "I'm finished.."

But if the master got up from the table, and folded his napkin, and laid it beside his plate, the servant would not dare touch the table, because.....

The folded napkin meant,

"I'm coming back!"