Welcome to everyone, especially if you are visiting or new to us! We’re delighted that you’re worshipping with us today. In this leaflet and on the Community Table (at the back of the Nave near the Baptistery) you’ll find more about what is happening in and around here.

- **Prayer points for this month**
  During these weeks of Lent, and as the building work gets underway in the Cathedral, we ask God to help us give attention to our own foundations, that our lives may be built on his love.

- **Today**
  The Reader assisting at the Cathedral Eucharist today is Kemble Everitt (Holy Trinity, Hatton).

**Coronavirus:** if you are anxious about the risk of infection, we recommend that you receive Communion “in one kind” (the bread alone), knowing that Christ is fully present in both bread and wine. **PLEASE DO NOT INTINCT** (dip bread in the chalice) as this not only increases the risk of infection if fingers touch the wine, but also potentially “contaminates” the wine with crumbs, making it a health risk for those who need to avoid gluten.

- **Today is Food Bank Sunday**
  All donations in cash or kind gratefully received. Last month I took 174 items to the warehouse including items you had donated and those bought with cash donations of £167. Richard Chamberlaine Brothers

- **Slow Sundays - Yoga session, today at 6pm**
  Led by a professional yoga teacher, these sessions are a chance to improve your fitness, make friends and connect with your thoughts. Each session costs £6 per person. Please bring your own mats, towels and water, and book by emailing events@coventrycathedral.org.uk

- **Closure of upper car park (from tomorrow)**
  Owing to the start of building work the upper car park will be inaccessible until the work is completed. We apologise for the inconvenience, but this is unavoidable. Isabel Merrifield

- **Revision of electoral roll**
  Applications to join the electoral or community rolls can now be made; forms are available on the Community Table (existing membership remains valid). Any queries, see me. Dave Goodall
**Prayer for Christian Service, Monday 2nd in Chapel of Unity, 4-5pm**
We will hear about, and pray for, the Street Pastors, who patrol the city centre every Friday and Saturday night between 10 pm and 3 am. “We are there to care for, listen to and help people who are out and about. Our aim is to ensure their safety”. Introduced by Isabel McIntyre (Coordinator, Coventry Street Pastors). John Lloyd, 024 7641 3004, jwlloyd49@gmail.com.

**Difference: the power of faith in a conflicted world, from Tuesday 3rd at 7pm**
The Cathedral’s Lent course runs over 5 sessions on every Tuesday in March in St Michael’s House. It explores what it means to follow Jesus in the face of conflict and see transformation through everyday encounters.

**Free concert by SoliDeisten Dresden, Saturday 7th from 1 to 2pm**
This concert is by a sextet of 3 male and 3 female soloists from Dresden, all of whom regularly perform as soloists far beyond Dresden and its surroundings. Their centre of attention is Bach’s motets or arias performed as solos – complemented by works from the Renaissance to the Modern Age set for six voices. In this concert, they will also focus on Lent and Spirituals.

**Reconciliation Book Group, Wednesday 11th at 2pm**
The Dean leads a group looking at John Paul Lederach’s book “Reconcile” (the 3rd session is on Tue 24th at 12:30pm). Contact alice.farnhill@coventrycathedral.org.uk to borrow a copy of the book. There will be two more sessions later in the year on different topics. All meetings will take place in the upstairs lounge in St Michael’s House. Bring your sandwiches if you wish!

**Advance notice: Community Half Day (including lunch), Saturday 21st, 10-2**
We will meet at Warwick Road URC from 10am-2pm to discuss the cathedral’s adopted values of “Hospitality, Faith and Spirituality, Art and Creativity, Reconciliation, Risk Taking, Excellence, Community”, discovering what these mean to us as the cathedral moves forward, particularly in the light of next year’s "Coventry - City of Culture". Please sign up on the Community Table.

**New Director of Music, succeeding Kerry Beaumont**
We are thrilled to have appointed Rachel Mahon to this post from September.

**Race Equality Advisory Group**
Bishop John is convening a group to address race inequality in the Diocese of Coventry and is seeking to recruit those from a BAME background to share their own lived experience. If you are interested in being part of the group please speak to Canon Kathryn.

**Cathedral Prayer Circle**
For emergency prayer, contact David Ogden on m: 0780 939 9793, e: david@ogden.me.uk.

Please send brief items of Cathedral news and events for the next edition of Cathedral Matters by the end of Tuesday 3rd March for publication next Sunday to cathedral.matters@coventrycathedral.org.uk or phone 024 7652 1227.