



Stavanger Congregation Anglican Chaplaincy in Norway May 2017

We are an international congregation with people from many different Christian traditions and denominations. We seek to be a caring community that offers spiritual and practical support as well as opportunities for personal growth. You are warmly welcome to any of our services and events.

Dear Friends,

This year May is the ongoing celebration of Easter leading up to Pentecost in early June. Our bible readings tell us of the revelation of the risen Christ to the disciples and the steady realization of just what they have been witnesses to.

The meaning of it all is not yet certain for that comes with the receiving of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. However, they have come to realize that the man who walked among them and who has revealed himself as risen from death is not just a man but can only be God as well. Thomas who gets so much bad press says it in his acclamation, upon seeing the risen Christ, "My :Lord and My God."

Our calling is to discover that same thing, that our God who created everything, came to be one of us in order to die in our place, so that we can be reunited with him.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only son, that those who believe on him shall not perish but have life everlasting." *John 3:16*

May this be a season of realization for you and a looking forward to receiving the very power of God to direct you and enable you to do his will.

God bless you this May,

Revd. Peter Hogarth

Diary for May

**All services are held at Bethel Church,
Løkkeveien 59, Stavanger, unless otherwise stated.**

May(Sun) 7th	10.30	Café Church Revd. Peter Hogarth
14 th	10.30	Holy Communion with Children's & Youth Church Revd. Peter Hogarth
21 st	10.30	Family Communion Revd. Peter Hogarth
28 th	10.30	Holy Communion with Children's & Youth Church Revd. Peter Hogarth
June 4 th	10.30	Café Church + AGM After Revd. Peter Hogarth

Prayer Points

- o- Pray for our AGM
- o- Funding our work
- o- Guidance in our mission

Rotas for May 2017

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP /STUDY GROUP Midweek Fellowship

1st and 3rd FRIDAYS' each month,
Topic: The Book of Ruth

Invitation open to spouses or partners

Venue and speaker to be confirmed in the
email distribution and weekly notice

CHILDREN'S & YOUTH CHURCH

Children's Church activities will continue on 2nd
and 4th Sundays during the morning services

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

**Bethel Community need volunteers
Can YOU help?**

We need help in the following areas:
Children's Church (both leaders & helpers)
Worship Group Singers & Instrumentalists;
Welcome/Clear Up
PA & Sound System
Intercessions & Prayers

**If you feel that you are able to help in
any of these areas please speak to
Pastor Peter.**

CONGRATULATIONS! ☺

May Birthdays

**24th May Eliana Babinski
25th May Hamish Wright**

Sun, 7th	Café Church
Leading : Welcome/Clear Up: Reader: Intercessions: Music: Coffee:	Revd. Peter Hogarth Stephen & Yunita Peter Hogarth Peter Hogarth Music Group Cheryl Hogarth
Sun, 14th	Holy Communion with Children's & Youth Church
Leading : Welcome/Clear Up: Reader: Intercessions: Communion Cup: Music: Coffee:	Revd. Peter Hogarth Rumi Achije Rumi Achije Ijeoma Iro-Ukpai Igeoma Iro-Ukpai Caroline Townsend Jane Todd
Sun, 21st	Family Communion
Leading : Welcome/Clear Up: Reader: Intercessions: Communion Cup: Music: Coffee:	Revd. Peter Hogarth Juliet Chulwuma Sophia Gjovaag Peter Hogarth Cheryl Hogarth Veronica Nagel-Alne Libby Beaty
Sun, 28th	Holy Communion with Children's & Youth Church
Leading : Welcome/Clear Up: Reader: Intercessions: Communion Cup: Music: Coffee:	Revd. Peter Hogarth Rowena Naile Juliet Chukwuma Rumi Achije Rumi Achije Peter Hogarth Jean Peacock
Sun, 4th June	Café Church
Leading : Welcome/Clear Up: Reader: Intercessions: Music: Coffee:	Revd. Peter Hogarth Yunita & Stephen Stephen Hay Juliet Chukwuma Music Group Yunita

Stavanger AGM 4th June 2017 at Bethel after 10.30am Cafe Church

UK Military Chaplaincy at NATO

Chaplain Hogarth visits the JWC NATO base at Jättå on Thursday each week, usually to include the Bible study group at 11.00.

If you need assistance or would like to speak with the chaplain, please phone or leave a message for Peter at the UK Support Unit office.

terYOUTH ACTIVITIES

Pathfinder and CYFA activities will be notified to the groups during the month.

BIBLE STORY CLUB

The Bible Story Club is held at BISS (British International School of Stavanger) on Thursdays 15.15–16.00, during term time. Contact Denise Johnson

Giving

Bethel congregation members often ask how they can help us work in our community. You can financially support the work of our church in many ways:

- ✓ **Donating in the Sunday** collection basket.
- ✓ **Registering as a member**, which means that the state and kommune give us money. The government gives the chaplaincy approximately 800 NOK per person, per year. The payment is made for anyone with a personnummer, whether adult or child. **Membership forms are available at the back of the church.**
- ✓ **Giving tax efficiently** by donating directly to the main chaplaincy account in Oslo (account number 7029 05 14973). If you complete your personnummer on the form and donate annually 500-20,000 NOK, you will receive a tax rebate.
- ✓ **Giving directly** through your bank to Stavanger Bethel Congregation (account number: 3201 08 90631). If you intend to give regularly to this account, please let our treasurer, Rumi Achije know at talk2rumi@yahoo.com.

Deadline for the June 2017 newsletter

21May

Please submit items/information to:
Pastor Peter: revpastorpete@yahoo.co.uk

May Readings

7th 4th Sunday of Easter

Acts 2: 42-end

John 10:1-10

14th 5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 7: 55-end

I Peter 2:2-10

John 14:1-14

21st 6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 17: 22-31

I Peter 3: 13-22

John 14: 15-21

28th 7th Sunday of Easter

Acts 1: 6-14

I Pet 4:12-14; 5:6-11

John 17: 1-11

4th June Pentecost

Acts 2: 1-21

John 7: 37-39

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If you have suggestions or anything you wish to discuss, please contact Revd. Peter Hogarth or one of the Stavanger Committee.

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