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Easter Sunday 5 April 2026 Baptism Sunday

Greetings Pastor Steve will lead this morning's service. **Chrissie Coe** will be leading the intercessory prayer. **Caroline Lovell** will be reading the bible passage. **Pastor Steve** will be bringing the Lord's Word to us today from John 20: 19-31



Morning Worship is being **live streamed** at 10.30 am, it will be available on our YouTube channel and can also be accessed any time after.

Our Prayer Ministry Team will be available for anyone who would like prayer before or after the service.

Offerings: We invite you to place your tithe and offerings in the box at the entrance to the Worship Centre. Thank you for your gift to the Lord's work here at WRBC.

Please join us for **tea and coffee in the reception area** after the service.

There will be no zoom meeting this evening.



Today and every Sunday

THIS WEEK:

Foodbank: Monday **CLOSED**

Community Café: Thursday 10am - 2pm in the Church Hall

DCF: Thursday 2pm - 4pm in the reception area

Community Café: Friday 10am - 2pm in the Church Hall

SPECIAL NOTICES:



The Phoenix Male Voice Choir of Norwich is delighted to announce two forthcoming Spring Concerts, taking place on consecutive weekends. Both events will showcase the same captivating programme.

Saturday, 11 April, 14:30 at Mile Cross Methodist Church, NR3 2RU.

The afternoon matinee, entitled 'Unaccompanied!', features a rich and varied repertoire performed entirely 'a cappella'—just our male voices, with no instrumental support.

Saturday, 18 April, 19:30 also at Mile Cross Methodist Church. Join us for an enchanting evening as our Singing Men once again present 'Unaccompanied!', celebrating the power and harmony of unaccompanied male voices.

Tickets for each concert are priced at £10 and can be purchased from the Choir's online Box Office at: <https://NorwichPhoenixMVC.org/tix> . On-the-day admission is also available from 14:00 for the matinee and from 19:00 for the evening performance, subject to venue capacity. All major debit and credit cards are accepted at the door.

British Sign Language: one-day training day

We are excited to announce that we are planning to host a one-day British Sign Language (BSL) training event, led by Signs of God. Renowned for their excellence in the Christian community, as well as among BSL tutors and professional interpreters, Signs of God are dedicated to fostering the use of British Sign Language within Christian settings. Their mission is to enable and encourage the full participation of BSL users in the Christian faith.

The training day is set to take place on a Saturday, either in September or October, and is open to both deaf and hearing participants. The session will run from 10:00 to 16:00 and refreshments will be provided. However, we kindly ask attendees to bring their own lunch. The cost for the day is £20 per person.

If you are interested in joining us for this enriching day, please let the office know by the end of April so we can reserve your place.



The next meeting of **DCF (Disabled Christian Fellowship)** will be on **Thursday, 9 April at 2pm** in the reception area. Pastor Steve will be leading communion at this meeting - come and enjoy fellowship with us. **I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore - Revelation 1 v18**



Walking in the light of the Saviour

Ruth Lilley, a regular contributor to Network Norfolk, offers encouragement to those whose paths seem dark, or who may be unsure which road to take.

Many times, over recent years, I have come to a place where it seems just too tricky to take the next step. I have felt lost, angry, hurt, numb, wounded, even broken. However, something within me has kept

enabling me to take that next step. I'm not sure what keeps me, keeping on – maybe it is hope for the brighter day.

A few days ago, I was listening to a song called "Without You" by Aodhán King and the opening lyrics are, "Light my way, I don't know these roads." I realised that, right now, I really do not know these roads I am travelling on. If I rely on my own strength, my own wisdom, I am not going to make it through without rash words and many apologies.

I feel helpless because I really do not know these roads. I do not know how to navigate the pain I witness. Pain that is sometimes sad, sometimes angry, and pain that is unnecessary. The mindset of 'it will make you stronger; it will create resilience' is not as clear as it once was.

I find myself having to dig really deep, to let go again and again. 'These roads' are new and it feels harder to walk them than it ever has before.

Maybe it's because I am focusing on 'not knowing these roads' and instead I should be looking to the first part of the lyrics – 'light my way'. As the song continues, it says, 'I can't live without you, I can't do this solo, I don't know my way alone.' Something needs to shift, and as I am not able to control the world around me, the shift must begin within me. As I accept that 'I don't know these roads', I must also accept that I am not walking them alone. The best, brightest, most beautiful light is guiding my path.

"The Lord is my light and my salvation— whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life— of whom shall I be afraid?" Psalm 27:1 (New International Version). I need to reset, to shift my focus. If I am to continue along these unknown roads, my gaze can no longer focus on my fear of taking unknown steps. Each step I take, whatever chaos it brings, can be taken with the certainty of not being alone. It can be taken with the certainty of strength by my side. It can be taken with the certainty of light and hope shining upon the next step.

My heart can take courage because the Lord is with me, I need not be afraid. When I fix my gaze on what is known, rather than being weighed down by what is unknown, it will be brighter. It might not be easier, there is likely to still be mess, but I am safe walking with my Saviour.

	Sunday 5 April 2026 Easter Sunday	Sunday 12 April 2026
Leader	Pastor Steve	Stuart Budden
Preacher	Pastor Steve	Pastor Steve
Intercessor	Chrissie C	Claire S
Bible Reader	Caroline L	Paul C
Projector	Paul C	Joseph
PA	Hayden	Hayden
Welcome Team	Sandy L & Mo C	Maggie P & Martha U
Refreshments	Allison F-P & Ann F	Tony & Pam S