



ST GERRANS  
CHURCH

July 2020

**PORTSCATHO**

**GERRANS**

**AMAZING!**

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who has shown that these two communities are very special and that it is a privilege to live here. To all those who have worked so hard to provide all the services we need, from bread to newspapers, sausages to hot meals and pills to petunias.

**We are being very well looked after**

**All of you are very much appreciated**

**And for all those innumerable acts of kindness by one to another**

**Re-opened for private prayer**

**Daily from 10am until 3pm**

**All are welcome to enjoy the peace  
they find in our ancient church.**

*A comment from a visitor*

*"What a sense of peace, God is here."*

**MAY IT BE TRUE FOR YOU TOO**



Welcome to a streamed  
service of Morning Prayer  
every  
Sunday at 10.am  
please join us

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of St Gerrans and St Philleigh



### What next?

We are extremely pleased that we have been able to open the doors of our church again even though at the moment it is limited to private prayer but as I write it seems as though we shall be able to extend this to include services in due course. However whilst our doors have been closed our congregation has grown. During these strange times of pandemic and crisis many many people have been drawn to our on-line services, some weeks as many as two hundred people. Quite a lot joining in this way are worshipping at a different time. It has become quite obvious that there are some who like 'church on demand' or to join in with services but not come into the church building.

There is much food for thought in what has been happening and it suggests that our patterns of worship in the future will need very careful consideration so that whilst reintroducing our services in the building we continue to meet those of our new large congregation who worship with us but not in the building.

We might think when everything is back to normal we can carry on as before but nobody knows what 'normal' might look like and we do know that we are worshipping online with many more people than ever attended services in the church building. Anne



**HAS BEEN VERY BUSY**  
Contributing to our streamed services every week with art  
and craft illustrating Jill's messages

**Breakfast on the beach**



**Refugee Week**



**The lost sheep**



**We are all different but  
God loves us all**



**AND IT'S FUN**





John Wesley's principles found in his writings and sermons have been written as a political manifesto, so relevant to our needs now.

## *John Wesley's Manifesto*

- 1. Reduce the gap between rich people and poor people*
- 2. Help everyone to have a job*
- 3. Help the poorest, including introducing a living wage*
- 4. Offer the best possible education*
- 5. Help everyone to feel they can make a difference*
- 6. Promote tolerance*
- 7. Promote equal treatment for women*
- 8. Create a society based on values and not on profits and consumerism*
- 9. End all forms of slavery*
- 10. Avoid getting into wars*
- 11. Share the love of God with everyone*
- 12. Care for the environment*

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