

This weekend Summertime ends – don't forget to put the clocks back one hour on Saturday night!

<https://www.lacotechurch.ch/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Bible-Sunday-Oct-25-oos-1.pdf>

Dear La Côte Church family and friends,

This Sunday is Bible Sunday, so I thought I'd share with you some of my favourite Bible passages. I love those beautifully written chapters towards the end of the book of Job which describe the wonders of creation, for example, from chapter 38:

*Can you bind the chains of the Pleiades,
or loose the cords of Orion?*

Do you know the ordinances of the heavens?

Can you establish their rule on the earth?

*Can you hunt the prey for the lion,
or satisfy the appetite of the young lions,
when they crouch in their dens,
or lie in wait in their covert?*

*Who provides for the raven its prey,
when its young ones cry to God,
and wander about for lack of food?*

This oldest text in the Bible still speaks to us today - God created a majestic world, full of wonder, and our sense of awe in the face of such beauty hopefully informs how we treat it. Another favourite of mine are some very challenging verses in the letter of James, from chapter 5:

Listen! The wages of the labourers who mowed your fields, which you kept back by fraud, cry out, and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. You have lived on the earth in luxury and in pleasure; you have fattened your hearts on a day of slaughter.

This is a warning to rich oppressors that God will bring justice to the workers they have mistreated. We can see obvious applications to our world today, whether it be people on zero hours contracts, garment workers in Bangladesh or people trapped in modern slavery. These ancient texts are full of wisdom for contemporary living... what is your favourite part of the Bible, and why?

Your word,
that lamp for our feet,
reveals to us

the stony ground
we often tread upon,
where, stumbling
in our weakness,
we reach out a hand
for you to hold,
asking simply
that you lead us
once again
to firmer ground,
toward that rock
upon which
our journeying began,
where, in safety
we can rest awhile.

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<https://www.faithandworship.com/prayers Bible.htm#gsc.tab=0>

Louise Burrows

WORSHIP THIS COMING SUNDAY 25th October 2020

Bible Sunday: knowing God through Scripture

Zoom Service of the Word at 10.00, followed by break-out groups.

Here is the link for you to click on to join us:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89788843138?pwd=eDdyOEhMN0ZBd3pXS2FEVU92WjMxdz09>

Meeting ID: 897 8884 3138

Passcode: 923891

Please print off a copy or have one on another screen for the service, so we can see whoever is leading us (**order of service attached**). Contact [Louise Burrows](#) with technical difficulties. This Sunday there will be no in-person worship, if you cannot join us for the zoom service, please watch the **pre-recorded service**. We aim to send out a link to this early on Sunday afternoon.

Could you be our next Church Council Secretary?

Job description: taking the minutes at monthly council meetings and AGM, correspondence with the Diocese, preparing the AGM annual report.

Trial period: initially six months, to see if the role is a good fit.

If you think you could be for you: please contact [Liz Bramley](#)

Giving online and in person

Many thanks as ever for your giving to the life of our church and thus to our mission and service within and well beyond our community.

Here are the details for online giving:

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Merci beaucoup, diolch yn fawr, Geoff Senogles.

COMING UP DURING THE WEEK

Tuesday 27th September, 9.30-10.30 Prayer Group to be decided whether in-person or Zoom. An email will be sent to the group nearer the time. Please let Peta Tracey know tracey.p@bluewin.ch if you are not a regular participant and would like to join us, or if you have requests for prayer, in confidence. Thank you.

Wednesday 28th October, 20:00 Council meeting on Zoom.

Friday 30th October, 9.30-11.00 Coffee, cake and catch up in Gingins Parish Rooms. Please contact [Alice Debell](#) with any queries.

Monday to Saturday, 7.30 – 8.00 Morning Prayer by zoom – ALL are welcome – either to dip in and out or attend regularly.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85122087785>

Meeting ID: 851 2208 7785

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Our own **Cate Bichara** will be speaking at the **Geneva Peace**

Conference on Thursday 5th November at 6.30pm. [Click here](#) to

register, then scroll down the agenda to the session on 'Why Authentic

Feminine Leadership is critical for building peace'. *You need to sign up in advance.*

Online retreats and spiritual refreshment from the Ignatian Spirituality Community in Geneva. [Click here](#) for more details

Pilates and stretch classes for all ages At La Fraternelle Church 6 rue Juste Olivier, Nyon
contact Movementministrynyon@gmail.com for more info.

The Gift Box Project needs your help more than ever, as the situation in the Eastern European countries we help means the boxes are more humanitarian aid than just a Gift Box. The children receiving our Gift Boxes are suffering in some of the worst conditions. Their parents are unable to do much as many have lost their jobs or suffer from quarantine; they lack help, medical attention, money, food, schooling and computers for online teaching, etc. Please help us to help them and bring a little happiness and joy to their lives [click](#). The updated website has videos and more useful information [click](#) We have also listed different ways you can help the Gift Box Project if you are unable to make a box. We will accept boxes from 29 October until 16 November. Thank you. Tyrrian Livesley, giftboxappeal@gmail.com

La Côte Advent Calendar

This year, La Côte Church will have its very own virtual advent calendar! We are seeking contributions from you, to make this an uplifting, fun, encouraging and/or challenging way to prepare for Christmas together virtually. Anything that can be uploaded to the internet can be included in this calendar - text, images, video - let your imagination run wild. You might find something already on the internet or want to prepare something of your own. If you would like to contribute something to the calendar, please contact [Louise](#).

FURTHER USEFUL RESOURCES

THE HOLY SHED – Meeting up online with Revd Dave Tomlinson
For half-an-hour at 7.30pm on Sunday evenings Dave, who you may remember from our Bossey day in February, entertains and inspires us with parables from everyday life, insights into tough questions

about God and the Bible, what it really means to be a Christian, prayers and 'a toast to life'. Either tune-in live to the Holy Shed Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/theholyshed/> or watch afterwards on YouTube: https://youtu.be/seG_mMEWefE

Dr Clare Amos's blog: <https://faithineurope.net/> includes each week a reflection on the lectionary readings for the week and some life-giving prayers and poems.

LA COTE ANGLICAN CHURCH IS ON TWITTER AND ON FACEBOOK!

Please let [Peta Tracey](#) know if you would like info about a church event to be 'tweeted' or tweet to @lacoteanglican

Follow us on <https://mobile.twitter.com/lacoteanglican>

Follow us on facebook.com/LaCoteChurch

WORK WITH THOSE SEEKING REFUGEE STATUS

Mentoring opportunities: *Please contact [Andrea Goovaerts](#).*

Accommodation: *Please speak to [Diantha Terry](#) with any thoughts you have.*

Do you have jobs that need doing?

Please contact [Diantha Terry](#).

Carolyn Cooke