

Highlights of the week



“Thy Kingdom Come” began on Ascension Day and the BSL Church Worship Facebook Group and YouTube channel will be publishing a reflection in BSL each day at 10am.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/BSLChurchWorship/>

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMo0_lugBjEMuL00tzGRdDw

As always, this group is the best place to look for on-line services and information about services that are interpreted each week.

Greenbelt are releasing some on-line resources and the Signs of God interpreters who usually work at the festival to provide access are in conversation with them about providing interpreting. You can see the first video – a sermon by Becky Tyler who has Cerebral Palsy – here:

https://youtu.be/TxxvYFp7_gc

The Church of England streams a service each Sunday at 9am with subtitles and a BSL interpreter
<https://www.youtube.com/user/ArchbishopsCouncil>

This week’s service is interpreted by Naomi Barry

Mark Smith’s Youtube channel always has a Sunday offering, accessible to hearing and Deaf people
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC58Dhkrtr-LEYwtQDNvl-Ng>

Word of Hands (Birmingham) have a short act of worship with sermon each Sunday
<https://www.facebook.com/Word-of-Hands-108830290750913/>

Metropolitan Tabernacle has a Deaf Ministry page on Facebook where you can see interpreted sermons and talks

<https://www.facebook.com/tabernacledeaf/videos/217680262931217/>

The Catholic Deaf Association offers a signed mass each week:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC6X7UcIFJr28oqXnelJksUQ>

Other resources

Spring Harvest Home – teaching from this year’s Spring Harvest online event will be freely available until the end of “Lockdown”.

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLjF0wwkjiOOoCYxsxPogyhIWhyqYljQl->

BSL Daily Devotions <http://bsldailydevotions.co.uk/>

a short devotion based on a Bible verse for each day

Go! Sign Website has some lovely videos of parables of Jesus in BSL

<https://gosign.org.uk/resources/parables-from-the-bible/>

If you are looking for Bible Study material, you can see the Christianity Explored Course translated into BSL: <https://gosign.org.uk/resources/christianity-explored/>

And some beautiful worship songs in BSL <https://gosign.org.uk/unique-hands-worship/>

Sign & Word: <https://www.facebook.com/Sign-Word-104888514514363/>

Christian BSL offers a good selection of prayers and readings in BSL, together with a searchable vocabulary database of church and faith related signs <https://christianbsl.com/>

Streamed services with interpreters:

Many Churches are now making their streamed services accessible by including BSL/English interpreters and/or subtitles. Below is the list as currently known. New to the list this week is Holy Trinity Brompton.

Please let me know of any others you find.

London (12.30pm)

<https://kingschurchlondon.org>

Tadworth (12.30pm):

<https://www.merlandrisechurch.org.uk>

Stafford: (10.30am)

<https://www.youtube.com/user/RisingBrookChurch>

Bromley (10am):

<https://bromleytownchurch.com/churconline>

Worcester (10.30am):

<https://woodgreenchurch.co.uk/events/bsl-sunday-service-stream/>

Kerith Community Church (9.30am)

<https://kerith.church/>

Bilton Evangelical Church (10.30am)

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWfflkKkMTGQlpExy_mxjKA

Belfast Christian Fellowship Church (10.00am)

<https://www.youtube.com/c/cfcbelfast>

Derby Vineyard:

<https://www.facebook.com/DerbyVineyard/live>

Preston Minster

<https://prestonminster.online.church/?fbclid=IwAR1AOWayC-VnE6t2RSKcCqbUgSh7tsBreRsroyeC4sS17-w9nSjFs8BxeP8>

St Matthew's Church, Walsall:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcCTg_AWYgM_NbjHVbL9wJw

Bridgewater Baptist Church Eccles:

<https://www.facebook.com/churchlifebbc/>

Holy Trinity Brompton: HTB at home

<https://www.htb.org/athomebsl>

Support for ministers and leaders

Several of our colleagues have continued to stay in touch with Church members by having meetings via Zoom or Skype, or online Bible Studies. Join the Deaf Ministry Facebook Group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/deafministryuk/> to share experiences and ask for advice.

Zoom is also being used for meetings of Chaplains in various places. Again, the Facebook Group is a good place to start if you want to know more, or drop me an email (gill.behenna@churchofengland.org) and I will try to find you the advice you need.

How to use Zoom

There is really useful information, given by Clark Denmark in BSL here:

https://youtu.be/fM2PUQDR_Qo

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