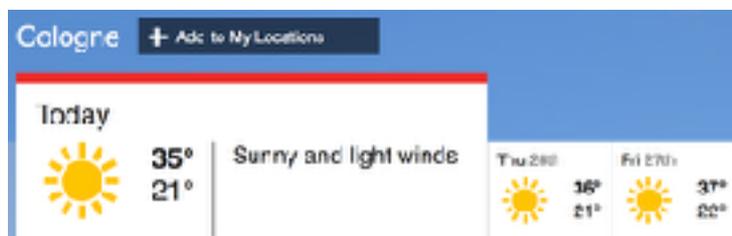




NOTICES

Thirsty???



Hospitals are warm places at the best of times but can you imagine the heat with temperatures here in Cologne reaching 37 degrees (that is 98.6 Fahrenheit)?? Unless you drink plenty of water, you soon will like some poor parched plant!

Trying to get my hospitalised dad (and, coming to think of it, my mum) to keep drinking requires the patience of a saint and the tenacity of a Rottweiler. It made me think of Jesus's words in John 4 verse 14 when he said: *"but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst."* When I think of the years I have spent thirsting for love, acceptance, being valued and forgiven . . . those were thirsty times indeed! And then Jesus Christ broke into my life and the rest, as they say, is history! As Dora is speaking this Sunday about turning water into wine, I will stick with the water in this heat but whatever your choice . . . if you don't know the Lord Jesus Christ as your saviour, his offer to you is still open! So just ask for it.

This Week

Sunday July 29th:

Morning Service: Dora Marlow will be speaking on the theme of: 'Miracles from the Bible' and her talk will be on 'Changing Water into Wine'.

Saturday August 4th:

Morning Prayer Meeting at the Church Office starting at 8am.

Sunday August 5th:

Morning Service: Dave Williams will be speaking on the theme of: 'Miracles from the Bible' and his talk will be on 'The Healing of Naaman'.

NOTE:

For the duration of the school summer holidays there will be no evening services!

For your Diary

Saturday August 18th:

Wedding of Jessica Faith Muir to Benjamin Armon

Service followed by tea & cake at 12:30pm at St. Alkmunds Church, Whitchurch.

Sunday September 2nd:

There will be a church PA and IT training session at the Civic starting at 9.00am (sharp!) on Sunday 2nd September. If you're interested in learning how to use the equipment, please do come along.

Other Items

Provision of food during the School Summer Holidays

Following on from the success of the trial we operated last Summer, where we were able to provide food for families who find the long summer holiday with no 'free school meals' a particular challenge we plan to extend the initiative this year.



In 2017 the trial was conducted in conjunction with Whitchurch Infants School and The Children's Centre. This year we are opening up the opportunity to some fifteen schools located within our area of operation. The offer will be to

provide two 'food-boxes' in week 1 and week 4 of the holidays. The 'box' will contain sufficient food to feed the children for a three week period - i.e. in place of their school meal.

Help in enabling us to provide some of the following items would be appreciated
 Long life milk or powdered milk, Pasta sauces, Tinned meat products (ham, meatballs, chicken, Bolognese, chilli etc), Tuna fish, Tinned spaghetti, Squash / fruit juice, Individual fruit juices for packed lunch, Sandwich fillers (meat/fish pastes, peanut butter, jam, spreads), Cake (long life and seal wrapped), Snack bars and chocolate biscuits, Individual packs of crisps.

Please leave in your normal depository bin – at your church , TESCO or Sainsburys. This initiative has been supported by the local schools and Children's Centre, Whitchurch Foodbank, and Churches Together.