

WHAT'S ON?

CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED: a 7-session DVD-based course on Zoom for anyone wanting to explore who Jesus is, why he came, and what it means to follow him. A new course has just started on Tuesdays (20:00-21:00). For more information or to sign up for this course, email Marcus on m.nodder@stpetersbarge.org

LIFE EXPLORED: a 7-session DVD-based course on Zoom for anyone wanting to explore the big questions of life. For more information or to sign up for this course, email Callum on c.elwood@stpetersbarge.org or Fiona on f.robbs@stpetersbarge.org

ZOOM BREAKOUT: today, straight after the service, there is a chance to ask questions via Slido.com (#6697) and to meet one another in breakout rooms. Meeting ID: 858 6551 9614 / Passcode: 576459

GUEST SERVICE: Sun Feb 7th at 11:00 online. 'Skin deep? Out outer surface and what it means to be human'. Interview with & talk by Dr Monty Lyman, author of best-selling book 'The Remarkable Life of the Skin'.

St Peter's Barge

London's Floating Church

Sunday 24th January 2021

Welcome!

*Callum Elwood is leading
and Marcus Nodder is preaching*

SONG: Christ is risen

Most merciful Father, our Creator and Judge,
we acknowledge and confess
that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed.
We have not loved you with all our heart;
and we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
We earnestly repent,
and are truly sorry for all our sins.
For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake forgive us,
and strengthen us to serve and obey you
in lives wholly renewed by your Spirit;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SONG: Jesus, strong and kind

READING: Psalm 27

SONG: He will hold me fast

READING: Mark 5:21-43

TALK

PRAYER

SONG: By faith

ZOOM Q&A:

Meeting ID: 858 6551 9614

Passcode: 576459

Questions: [slido.com #6697](https://www.slido.com/#6697)

NEXT SUNDAY

Date: January 31st 11.00am

Series: Good News

Title: Reality of rejection (Mark 6:1-29)

Speaker: Marcus Nodder

Mark 5:21-43
SICKNESS & DEATH

- fear and faith

**Do not fear, but have faith in Jesus
who rules over SICKNESS (5:25-34)**

- we fear sickness

- Jesus rules over sickness

➔ have faith not fear ¹

- will I be healed if I have faith?
- does having medical treatment show a lack of faith?
- what difference then does faith make?

**Do not fear, but have faith in Jesus
who rules over DEATH (5:21-24; 35-43)**

- we fear death ²

- Jesus rules over death

➔ have faith not fear ³

‘Monstrous it is that many who boast themselves Christians are gripped by such a great fear of death, rather than a desire for it, that they tremble at the least mention of it, as of something utterly dire and disastrous. Surely it is no wonder if the natural awareness in us bristles with dread at the mention of our dissolution. But it is wholly unbearable that there is not in Christian hearts any light of piety to overcome and suppress that fear...by a greater conviction...Will not faith compel us ardently to seek what nature dreads?...No-one has made progress in the school of Christ who does not joyfully await the day of death and final resurrection’. (John Calvin)

¹ 2 Corinthians 4:16; 12:8-9; Romans 8:18,21; 2 Timothy 4:20; Colossians 4:14; 1 Timothy 5:23; Isaiah 38:21

² Hebrews 2:15

³ John 11:25