



THE FRIENDS OF ST JOHN'S CHURCH, CARDIFF

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NEWSLETTER

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Dear Friend,

THE CHURCH.

The church is steadily making progress towards a more normal pattern of life following the covid restrictions. It has over the summer months started to be open for a couple of hours most weekdays, for visitors and private prayer. Just recently, Friday noon Eucharist has restarted, and some of its regulars are once again attending. The bells are ringing on Sunday mornings. The choir continues to develop. The pattern of services online on weekdays and Sunday afternoons is being continued, supported by people away from Cardiff, as well as locals. There is no longer a limit on the number of people that can attend services, and the congregation is growing back towards its pre-pandemic levels. We are beginning to host events for outside organisations, but this is not yet back to normal, and this year there will not be the many carol services for other groups that we regularly used to have each December.. Sadly, as yet we have not been able to re-open the Tea Room.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

There will again be no Friends Annual Festival this year, but we will be holding our Annual General Meeting in the church on Sunday 9th October at 11.30am, following the 10am morning service. It will again be a short formal meeting confined to essential business as required by law. Now that the covid restrictions are lifted, there is no limit on attendance numbers. Members are invited to attend the meeting, and the service beforehand, if they are able. For this reason, we are not providing proxy forms as we did during the restrictions of the last two years, and hope as many as possible people will attend in person. If anyone wants to vote on the motions, and won't be able to make it to the meeting, they can contact the Hon. Secretary who will make arrangements. The Annual Report with notice of the meeting is enclosed with this newsletter. Minutes of the 2021 Annual General Meeting are available on the Friends website.

Finally, can I offer best wishes to all members in the hope that things will be fully back to normal by next year.

Richard Hall, (Hon.Sec.)