

**Dear Friends**,

On Monday it was lovely to see the gardeners, a group of volunteers, tending the grounds in the back garden. There are plans that the artisans, another group of volunteers led by Derek Jardine, are going to give the space the toddlers use an overhaul to make it safer and fun to use. Laura Skinner, who runs toddlers has some exciting ideas for the garden space, one of which is a mud kitchen. I am looking forward to seeing how it will all look and will hopefully post a picture in the news letter when the work is completed.

Kenny and Emily, our youth workers, paid tribute on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> to young people who have helped out during the pandemic. It was encouraging to hear what young people had been doing. One of my observations has been how all generations have been working together to provide support to those who have been a bit isolated during this time. If you had dropped by the café you would have seen the takeaway service in operation, with volunteers from late teens through to those in their



80s, a range of ages working together with Norma our café manager. It reminded me that as church we are all part of the body and we all have something we can contribute. The picture shows Charlie manning the take-away service in the café.

The café will hopefully reopen for sit down service on the 26<sup>th</sup> April. I think it might be quite busy, but hopefully the weather will allow the use of the courtyard as well as the tables inside. If you are able to get along it is worth a visit.

Praying this letter finds you well and hopeful for more visits from your family and friends as lockdown restrictions ease. Please contact us if we can help in any way or you have news to share.

With Love

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