

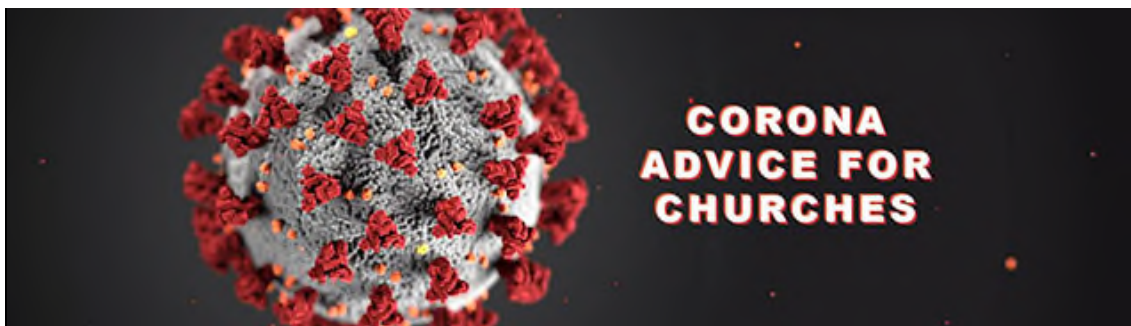
Updated Coronavirus Guidance for churches

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Following the announcement of a lockdown in England from 5 November, the [initial guidance from the Government](#) states:

Places of Worship will be closed, unless they are being used for:

- Funerals
- To broadcast acts of worship
- Individual prayer
- Formal childcare or where part of a school
- Essential voluntary and public services, such as blood donation or food banks
- Other exempted activities such as some support groups

It also allows Local Authorities, faith leaders and members of the Royal British Legion to organise outdoor Remembrance Sunday events at a public war memorial or cenotaph. **Unless you have a public war memorial in your church grounds or you are working with the Local Authority at a public memorial you should not hold a Remembrance Sunday event.** You may however, broadcast an individual laying a wreath at a memorial within your church building as part of your online worship service on Sunday.

Nick has created resources that can be used by churches for Remembrance Sunday these can be found on the [EBA YouTube channel](#)

Baptists together will be updating their guidance following the announcement which can be found [here](#).

Different churches have found different solutions to providing online content for their members during the pandemic. Maybe the second lockdown has got you wondering if live streaming is something your church would like to try - but you are not quite sure how this can be done.

OBS is a free (yes free!) software package which can be used for live-streaming. EBA are hosting a free webinar to help you explore and use this software. In the webinar we'll be providing an introduction and overview of OBS, what it is, what it does, and how it can be used in the production and live streaming of video content for your church.

The Webinar will be led by Rev Rob Hughes from West Mersea Free Church and will take place over Zoom on 1st December at 1030am.

To book a place and receive login details please email EBA Secretary.
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