

St James', Wulfstan Way, Cambridge

# *The Weekly Sheet*

25 April 2021

4th Sunday after Easter



## Today:

8.00 am Holy Communion in Church  
10.00 am Sunday Service via Zoom

**11.00 am APCM**

As we continue to work within the government roadmap out of lockdown, we are now opening up the church for Sunday 8 o'clock Holy Communion. Our 10 o'clock Sunday services will continue via Zoom for the time being. Guidelines for social distancing, hand sanitizing and the wearing of face masks, will be followed.

## This Week:

**Individual private prayer and reflection.** The church will be open between 10.00 am and 12 noon on Monday and Wednesday for quiet prayer.

You are very welcome to come in to church but please respect social distancing rules of 2 metres, wear a mask, and use hand sanitiser upon entering and leaving the church. Please do not touch Bibles and other literature.

**Morning Prayer** will be held via Zoom at 8.45 am on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. We will be using a recurring link as given out in the Weekly Update email.

**Mid-week Eucharist** is on Wednesday, at 10.15 am, in church.

**Bible reading and Compline.** Please join us on Wednesday, at 8 pm, via Zoom.

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## **Dates for your Diary:**

### Sundays in May

At the 10am service (on Zoom) we will be reflecting on what the past year has felt like and what the effect has been on our neighbourhood and what we hope for as we plan ahead. We will reflect together as part of our worship time at 10am on Sunday 2nd, 9th and 16th May.

### 6th May - Polling in church

St James's building will be used for Polling between 7am and 11pm on 6th May. Please do not visit the church unless you are voting.

## Collect for today

Risen Christ,  
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:  
teach us to hear your voice  
and to follow your command,  
that all your people may be gathered into one flock,  
to the glory of God the Father.

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## Today's readings are:

[Genesis 7.1-5, 11-18; 8.6-18; 9.8-13]; Acts 4.5-12; Psalm 23; 1 John 3.16-end; John 10.11-18

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## Acts 4.5-12

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is "the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone."

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

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## Psalm 23

### The Divine Shepherd

A Psalm of David.

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures;

he leads me beside still waters;

he restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths

for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley,

I fear no evil;

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff—

they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil;  
my cup overflows.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD  
my whole life long.

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## **1 John 3.16-end**

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

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## **John 10.11-18**

'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

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## **Readings for next Sunday, 2 May (5th Sunday of Easter)**

[Baruch 3.9-15, 32-4.4 or Genesis 22.1-8] Acts 8.26-end; Psalm 22.25-end; 1 John 4.7-end; John 15.1-8

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**APCM:** Our APCM meeting will be held **today** at 11.00 am via Zoom. Papers for the meeting were sent out during the week to everyone on our Weekly Update email list.

Pam Butler is retiring after long and faithful service as churchwarden. Hatty Harris was elected as second churchwarden in October, and it is too much to ask her to fulfil this position on her own. **We urgently need another churchwarden.** In addition members of the PCC who have served their 3 year term will be retiring and we really need to elect **3 more members** to fill vacancies.

**Christian Aid Week, 9 – 15 May.** We would still like to support Christian Aid this year and there will be a few envelopes in the foyer for you to take if you come to Sunday 8 o'clock or the Wednesday mid-week Eucharist. Alternatively there is the option to donate direct – look out for the details in the Weekly Sheet next Sunday.

If you would like to add your name to our **prayer list of names that appear on the back of the weekly sheet**, please email Caroline (stjameschurchcambridge@yahoo.co.uk). We are currently updating the list and it would be lovely to include the names of newcomers to our congregation but also the names of others who regularly worship with us but may not have forwarded their wish to be included on the list.

**A million steps in a hundred days update.** A big thank you to everyone who donated to my walk 'to Inverness' for Arthur Rank. I am pleased to be able to say that I completed my 1000000 steps on Wednesday 7 April (well before the deadline of 20 April!) raising £480. I finished it with a walk at Wimpole and celebrated with a luxury hot chocolate! I very much enjoyed the challenge and now just have to make sure that I don't give up on the exercise.  
Eleanor Pippard

**Grass-cutting rota.** Stanley Wilson would like to thank all those who helped with the grass cutting last season. For the coming months, he is asking for new volunteers to join the rota. It is likely to be every 6 weeks (or longer if the numbers increase). The more volunteers we have, the fewer times those on the rota will have to participate. Please get in touch with Stanley by emailing sue@wilsonstutorhouse.plus.com – thank you.

**CMS Boxes.** Please hold on to your box until further notice. Thank you.

**Food Hub.** The Food Hub continues to operate on a Saturday morning between 10.30 am and 12.30 pm here at St James'.  
The food remains a basic food package ideally for those who are either struggling to pay for provisions or who cannot get to the shops or book an online delivery.  
The Food Hub is now able to receive donations again and these should be dropped off at church between 3 and 4 pm on a Friday afternoon. Look on the Queen Edith Community Forum website to find more details about those items most needed - and about how to donate financially. Thank you.

**Caroline** will be working from home this week on her usual work mornings (Monday and Wednesday) but will be in the church office on Thursday morning.

**Phone line.** The Church of England central team have supported the release of the Daily Hope phone line. Daily Hope offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a telephone line.  
The line – which is available 24 hours a day on **0800 804 8044** – has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services during the period of restrictions in mind. Find out more here - <https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-parishes/daily-hope-phone-line>

## Prayer for Friends and Congregation of St James'

Sunday	Eric and Rhena Clouston and family
Monday	Ellen and Andrew Collings, Sharn and Troy
Tuesday	James and Jennifer Day and family
Wednesday	Caroline and Tony Dickson and Helen
Thursday	Judy and Ron Ferrari and family
Friday	Denise Finlay and family
Saturday	Maureen Gibbs

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## Weekly Church Activities – currently suspended

Junior Choir Practice	Sundays, 11.15 am – 12 noon
Choir Practice	Mondays, 6.30 pm—7.30 pm
Meditation Group	Fridays, 1.30 pm—2.00 pm

## Community Activities – currently suspended

Beavers (6-8 yrs)	16thcambridgebeavers@gmail.com
Cubs (8-11 yrs, QE Schl)	Stephen Harrison, 07548 765421
Scouts (10½ - 14 yrs, QE Schl)	16thcambridgescouts@gmail.com

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Our parish magazine **Crosspiece** is available on the website.

If you are ordering goods from **Amazon**, please remember to use the Amazon link on the St James' website fundraising page. It doesn't cost you any more but gives St James a percentage of the price you pay.