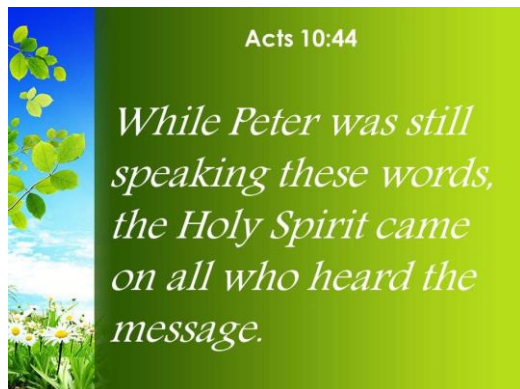


St James', Wulfstan Way, Cambridge

The Weekly Sheet 9 May 2021

6th Sunday after Easter / Start of Christian Aid Week



Today:

8.00 am Holy Communion in Church
9.30 am Children's Activity via Zoom
10.00 am Sunday Service via Zoom

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 on Monday between 10 am and 12 noon for individual quiet prayer and will remain open on Wednesday after the Eucharist, also until 12 noon.

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.

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 today and on 16th May.

Collect for today

Risen Christ,
by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:
help your Church to obey your command
and draw the nations to the fire of your love,
to the glory of God the Father.

Today's readings are:

Acts 10.44-end; Psalm 98; 1 John 5.1-6; John 15.9-17

Acts 10.44-end

Gentiles Receive the Holy Spirit

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Psalm 98

Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvellous things.
His own right hand and his holy arm
Have won for him the victory.
The Lord has made known his salvation;
his deliverance has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness
towards the house of Israel,
and all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.
Sound praises to the Lord, all the earth;
break into singing and make music.
Make music to the Lord with the lyre,
with the lyre and the voice of melody.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn
sound praises before the Lord, the King.
Let the sea thunder and all that fills it,
the world and all that dwell upon it.
Let the rivers clap their hands
and let the hills ring out together before the Lord,
for he comes to judge the earth.
In righteousness shall he judge the world
and the peoples with equity.

John 15.9-17

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Readings for next Sunday, 16 May (7th Sunday of Easter)

Acts 1.15-17, 21-end; Psalm 1; 1 John 5.9-13; John 17.6-19

Christian Aid Week, 9 – 15 May. We would still like to support Christian Aid this year and there will be an envelope with the Weekly Sheet if you come to Sunday 8 o'clock and a few in the foyer if you come to the Wednesday mid-week Eucharist. Alternatively there is the option to donate direct at <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/key-appeals/christian-aid-week>

Notice of Election for Diocesan Synod. Election for members to the Diocesan Synod for 2021-2024 (13 clergy and 9 lay representatives) takes place between 30 April and 1 August. The Notice of Election is displayed on our website under the 'PCC' tab; if any member on our electoral roll wishes to be nominated, please have a word with Steve.

APCM: Thank you to everyone who attended our recent on-line APCM Meeting. We are pleased to welcome Paul Cairns, Jon Griffiths, Rachel Shirley, Gordon West and Jennie Brandon as our new PCC members. Our grateful thanks to Pam Butler who stepped down as churchwarden, and also to Bill Broadhurst, Judy Ferrari and Christina Hood, who retired from their three year service on the PCC. Robert Monk continues as our Deanery Synod representative and Bill Broadhurst was elected as our second representative.

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.

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 on her usual mornings of Monday and Wednesday, and will be in the 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	Christina Hood, Elena and Lukas
Monday	Geoff Howard
Tuesday	Julia Hullyer
Wednesday	Elspeth Hutchison and family
Thursday	Barbara Irving and family
Friday	Judith and Peter Judd
Saturday	Janet and Donald Laming and family

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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

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.