

St James', Wulfstan Way, Cambridge

# The Weekly Sheet

28 April 2024

The 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter



## Today:

8.00 am Holy Communion  
10.00 am Parish Eucharist

Welcome to our services.

If you are visiting St James for the first time please introduce yourself to the vicar or a sides-person (the person who may have greeted you when you arrived and offered you service booklets). You may wish to complete a contact details card so that we can send you details of forthcoming events. These are available on the table in the foyer.

If it is your usual practice to receive bread and wine at communion, please feel free to do so at these services. We are following the Bishop's guidelines which stipulate that it is not permissible to intinct the bread (wafer) into the wine chalice. Therefore if you do not wish to drink from the chalice please return to your seat after taking the bread.

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## Today's readings are:

Acts 8.26-end; Psalm 22.25-end; 1 John 4.7-end; John 15.1-8

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## Our hymns at 10 o'clock are:

Opening:	Alleluya! Alleluya! Hearts to heaven	NEH 103
Offertory:	Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour	NEH 296
Communion:	Rock of ages	NEH 445
Final:	We hail thy presence glorious	NEH 310
Anthem:	O taste and see ( <i>Vaughan Williams</i> )	

## Collect:

Risen Christ,  
your wounds declare your love for the world  
and the wonder of your risen life:  
give us compassion and courage  
to risk ourselves for those we serve,  
to the glory of God the Father.

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## This Week:

Monday 29 <sup>th</sup>	9.15 am	Morning Prayer
	12 noon	Meditation Group
	2.00 pm	Staff Meeting via Zoom
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup>	9.15 am	Morning Prayer
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> May	9.15 am	Morning Prayer
	10.15 am	Mid week Eucharist at Dunstan Court
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	11.00 am	Pastoral Team Meeting
		<i>Church in use all day for polling purposes</i>

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## Dates for your Diary:

Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	Ascension Day service
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	6.30 pm	Puddings and Games evening
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	2.30 pm	Hymn service at Cherry Hinton Care Home
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	6.30 pm	Intercessions Workshop
	7.30 pm	PCC Meeting
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Bring & Buy Sale

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## Acts 8.26-end

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,  
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,  
so he does not open his mouth.

In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth.'

The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about

himself or about someone else?' Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?' He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

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## **Psalm 22.25-end**

From you comes my praise in the great / congre/gation;  
I will perform my vows in the / presence of / those that / fear you.  
The poor shall / eat and be / satisfied;  
those who seek the Lord shall praise him;  
their / hearts shall / live for / ever.  
All the ends of the earth  
shall remember and / turn to the / Lord,  
and all the families of the / nations shall / bow be/fore him.  
For the kingdom / is the / Lord's  
and he / rules over the / nations.  
How can those who sleep in the earth  
bow / down in / worship,  
or those who go down to the / dust / kneel be/fore him?  
He has saved my life for himself;  
my des/cendants shall / serve him;  
this shall be told of the Lord for / gene/rations to / come.

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## **1 John 4.7-end**

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in

love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, 'I love God', and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

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## John 15.1-8

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

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## Readings for next Sunday, 5 May (6th Sunday of Easter):

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

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Thank you to everyone who helped at, and came along to, our recent **Bring & Buy sale**. The amount raised can be found on the noticeboard.

Following our recent **APCM** our thanks to everyone on the PCC: Paul Cairns who stood down earlier in the year, new member Folma Buss, and Jennie Brandon, John Griffiths and Rachel Shirley who were all re-elected to the PCC. Pam Butler continues in the role of churchwarden.

Next week, on Thursday 2 May, the church will be in use for **polling purposes** all day and evening. **Please avoid coming into church** unless you are coming to cast a vote!

We will be holding an **Ascension Day service** here at St James' on Thursday 9 May at 7.30 pm. Everyone is welcome.

If you come in to church during the week for an activity and help yourself to water or a cup of tea, **please do remember to wash up and put away glasses and crockery** afterwards. We need to ensure kitchen sinks and worksurfaces are ready for the next group/user coming into church. Thank you. Pam Butler.

If you think you may have **left a food container, or tin**, in church in recent months, please take a look on the shelf outside the kitchen door. All items will be put out for recycling after 1 May.

### **Job opportunity: Fairbite Food Hub Coordinator**

St James' Church is advertising for a coordinator to manage its Food Hub project, which from July will be in partnership with Cambridge City Foodbank's 'Fairbite' network. The job is 10hrs per week, based at St James', and would particularly suit someone with experience in retail or community work. Job description can be found on our website ([stjamescambridge.org.uk](http://stjamescambridge.org.uk)) closing date 14 May. Please share this with your community!

**Coffee Rota** We are in need of at least two more people to help provide tea and coffee after the 10am service. The commitment would be roughly every 5 weeks, and the more people who help, the longer that time interval would be. Please speak to Fiona Broadhurst or Alison Giles if you would like to serve in this way.

**The office** will be open on Wednesday morning this week, 9.15 am – 1.15 pm. Caroline will be working from home on Monday and Thursday morning and has access to the office phone and email.

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### **Prayer for Friends and Congregation of St James'**

Sunday	Edward and Joanne Westrip, Saskia, Christian and Theo
Monday	Stan and Susan Wilson and family
Tuesday	Grae and Jacqui Worster, Susannah, Lizzie, Katherine and Caroline
Wednesday	Linda Appleby and family
Thursday	Sarah and Alex Aylward, Emily and Sophie
Friday	Helen Arnold and family
Saturday	John and Jackie Bartholomew and family

*If you would like to add your name to our prayer list please let Caroline in the office know.*

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### Weekly Church Activities

Junior Choir Practice	Mondays, 6.30 pm – 7.30 pm
Choir Practice	Mondays, 7.00 pm—8.00 pm
Lower Voices Choir	Wednesdays, 7.30 pm – 8.30 pm
Meditation Group	Mondays, 12 noon

### Community Activities

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

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We continue to provide a Zoom link for our 10 o'clock Sunday services:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88561908831?pwd=OTNzMEIRazBMdW5WV2pNcE5iRzIINQT09>

Meeting ID: 885 6190 8831

Passcode: 258631

Past issues of our parish magazine **Crosspiece** are 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.

If you are not a regular giver, or would like to top up your regular **donations**, you can do this by scanning the **QR code here** or by using the Donation Station in the lobby for cashless donations.

