

27 April 2025 : Second Sunday of Easter

**Welcome to our services today.** If you are a visitor and usually take communion in your own church, we hope you will share the sacrament with us. We share the common cup. If you would prefer to have your wafer intincted, then please give it to the chalice assistant to do so. If you are not a communicant, please still come to the altar, but carry a book, and you will receive a blessing. Do join us for Fairtrade refreshments in Church House after the 9.00 am service and at the back of church after the 11.00 am service.

Please take this sheet home with you as a reminder of events in the coming week which you might want to join in with, or pray over.

#### **COLLECTS FOR TODAY'S SERVICES**

## Collect:

Almighty Father,
you have given your only Son to die for our sins
and to rise again for our justification:
grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness
that we may always serve you
in pureness of living and truth;
through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

# Post Communion:

Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen. **Today's readings** with their pew bible page numbers are:

<u>First Reading</u>: **Acts 5: 27-32** (page 1097)

The apostles were put in prison by the Jewish authorities for preaching the resurrection. This is Peter's defence of their action before the Sanhedrin. God's witnesses cannot keep silent.

Second Reading: Revelation 1: 4-8 (page 1233)

This Easter season we shall hear each week from the often difficult Revelation of John. This opening greeting is more than a conventional letter: it extols the glory of Jesus, first-born from the dead, and the God who was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever.

Gospel Reading: **John 20: 19-31** (page 1089)

On the first Easter evening, Jesus appeared to his disciples with his habitual greeting of peace, and a gift of the Holy Spirit. Thomas must wait another week until he can see, believe and adore.

9.00 am Matins (Sung) (BCP)

Psalm 150 (Oxford Psalter page 276)

11.00 am Family Communion

**6.00 pm Evensong (Sung)** (BCP) (No sermon)

Psalm 16 (Oxford Psalter page 41)
Isaiah 53: 1-6 & 9-12 (page 740)
Hymn 101 (omit \*vs)
Luke 24: 13-35 (page 1061)

Hymns 119 & 331

Intercessions: In our prayers this week we remember Cerys, Rex, Janet, Freddie, Anu, Andrea, Clive, Imelda & Mike, Charlotte, Arthur, Samson, Yvonne, Heather, Corinne, Hilda, Jenny, Mary & Geoff, George and Judy, Margaret, Karen and David, and all who care for and about them.

The funeral of Kay Kearley will be on 28 April at 1.00 pm at Hampden Chapel, Chilterns Crematorium.

The funeral of David Lowe will be on 23 May at 2.45 pm in church, followed by refreshments at The Wheel in Naphill.

#### WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

**MONDAY 28 April** 

7.30 pm Hughenden Community Singers: Church

**TUESDAY 29 April** 

11.00 am Midweek Holy Communion: Church

7.30 pm Bellringing Practice

**WEDNESDAY 30 April** 

7.30 pm Deanery Synod Meeting: Church

**THURSDAY 1 May** 

9.30 am Toddler Group: Church

7.30 pm PCC Meeting: Church House

**SATURDAY 3 May** 

8.30 am Men's Breakfast: Church House

Next Sunday:

4 May: Third Sunday of Easter

9.00 am Choral Communion (Common Worship) 11.00 am All Age Service 6.00 pm Evensong (Sung) (BCP)

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

- **3 May Men's Breakfast** at 8.30 10.30 am in Church House. Our speaker is Fiona Turner who works for ShelterBox as their Rotary Engagement Officer, a role she has been in for three years. ShelterBox is an emergency disaster relief charity set up in 2000 from an idea from the Rotary Club of Helston in Cornwall. Over its 25-year history it has supported three million people with shelter and aid items to help them recover following disaster or conflict. Fiona will be explaining how they work, where they work and ways to get involved. Please invite a friend, neighbour or colleague too all are welcome but please sign-up on ChurchSuite. Please note our extremely small kitchen means the number of attendees is restricted to 26. Payment by cash only on the day please.
- **13 May Chiltern Arts Festival: Piano Through The Ages** at 6.00 pm in Church. Beethoven, Chopin, Debussy & more... Some of the Purcell School's most talented young pianists present a programme that explores how music for keyboard has developed with the advances in the instruments themselves. Tickets available from www.chilternarts.com or call 01442 920303.
- **26 May Boundary Walk and Picnic** A long walk for the fit and energetic. Or a shorter walk for the less so. A Picnic for everyone, even if you've not walked. And finally a Cairn back at church. Details will be on the website, hugheden parishchurch.org.uk/BoundaryWalk or talk to Andrew Collard or Mike Hill.
- **14 June Napfest** is back and we are looking for volunteers to support the village fete day on Saturday 14th June. Can you help? We would like people to help serve at the bar from 10.30 am 3.00 pm. If you are willing to help with this

please email lucy.rippon@gmail.com and let me know your preferred time slot. We are also organising a kids crafts and games table. Please email chris@hughendenparishchurch.org.uk if you are able to help with this. Please consider signing up so the church has a visible presence at this important community event.

**5 July – S.P.A.C.E invites you to a Retreat Day** for men and women at St Katherine's retreat house and grounds. Parmoor, Nr, Frieth. Saturday 5 July 10.00 am to 4.00 pm. An opportunity to find 'space' in beautiful, traquil, rural surroundings. Guest Speaker, Fiona Castle, speaking on "Making the most of the moment and Living without regret". £10 per person to cover costs. Bring your own picnic lunch. Tea and Coffee provided. If you'd like to come and to book your place please email lucy.rippon@gmail.com. Payment by bank transfer or cash. If you'd like further information please speak to Lucy Rippon, Ann Callow or Jan Peters.

## **GENERAL**

Marathon for Lighthouse Ben Sharp will run the London Marathon on Sunday 27 April, fundraising for Lighthouse Central. The charity has a bold ambition to plant Lighthouses around the UK, bringing God's Kingdom to children and young people - but it needs your help for that. Please would you sponsor Ben for his 26.2 mile effort? http://bit.ly/ben262



**New address** for Judy & George Wilson: Southerdown Care Home, Worcester Road, Chipping Norton, OX7 5YF

**ChurchSuite** If you are new to the church or have yet to sign-up to receive emails about church activities, you can do so at hughendenparishchurch.org.uk/signup or you can ask for a paper form.

**Please let Keith or Helen know** of any member of our church family who is unwell, in hospital, housebound, lonely or in need of support.

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