

Easter 2

Sunday 8 April 2018



This Sunday

8am

President:

Said Eucharist (BCP)

Rev. Canon Bill Norman

10.30am

President:

Lay Deacon:

Preacher:

Readers:

Intercessor:

Setting:

OoS:

Readings:

Sung Eucharist

Rev. June Boyce-Tillman

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Susanna Long

Charlie Dyer

Rose Harley

St. Thomas

Special

Acts 4.32-35

I John 1.1-2.2

John 20.19-end

6.30pm

Officiant:

Psalm(s):

Readings:

Evening Prayer

Eve of The Annunciation /

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Christopher Serbutt

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Wisdom 9.1-12

Galatians 4.1-5

Collect, Hymns and Readings

Introit:

The Strife Is O'er (NEH 119)

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.

First Reading:

Acts 4.32-35

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. ³³With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. ³⁵They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading:

1 John 1.1-22

A reading from the first letter of John

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life - ²this life was

revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us -³we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. ⁴We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; ⁷but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; ²and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual:

- 1 Christ, our companion, gloriously alive,
We can share your darkness, we can
share your life.
In the rocky cavern, dead your body lay,
Till the shining angels rolled the stone
away.
*Christ, our companion, gloriously alive,
We can share your darkness, we can share
your life.*
- 2 Risen in glory, Christ still meets us here,
Lovingly enfolds us, quietens our fear.
So the faithful household sings the joyful
hymn:

'Grief can't last for ever; death has lost its sting.'

Chorus

3 Christ's glorious living is for us to share.
Lost in adoration, trust will be our prayer.

Help us through the darkness, lead us through the night,

Guarding deep within us, visions of the light.

Chorus

(Tune: NEH 120)

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Gospel Reading:

John 20.19-end

The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.'

²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'

²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' ²⁸Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' ²⁹Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Offertory:

Ye Choirs Of New Jerusalem (NEH 124)

Communion:

Jerusalem The Golden (NEH 381)

Post Communion Prayer:

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.

Dismissal:

Now Is Eternal Life (NEH 114)

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who made Holy Week and Easter such a success and such an outreach to our local community. Whether you delivered postcards, helped with or attended any of the services or undertook one of the tasks of which there seem to be so many at this time of year your help and support was very much appreciated.

Ministry Team

SERVICE FOR LADY DAY

Monday April 9, 8pm

There will be service to mark Lady Day (The Annunciation) on Monday April 9 at 8pm

AROUND THE TABLE

Wednesday April 18, 7.30pm

The next session of Around the Table, the St. Mary's Bible Study Group, is on Wednesday April 18 starting at 7.30pm and finishing around 8.30pm with Compline.

We will be continuing our study of Mark's Gospel with the first of two sessions on discipleship. The sessions are designed to be stand-alone, so if you haven't been before, or you've missed one or two, it won't matter.

No matter where you are on your Christian journey, you are more than welcome. If you have any questions, please speak to Chris Serbutt.

WEDNESDAY GROUP

Wednesday April 26, 1pm

The next meeting of the Wednesday Group will be on Wednesday April 26 immediately following the lunchtime Eucharist. For more information, please speak to Rev. Eileen or to Daphne Clarke.

INTERNATIONAL LUNCH

Saturday April 28, 12-2pm

Come and enjoy tastes from around the World, for £5. If you would like to contribute to lunch please tell me what you will be bringing.

Diane

Community News

LOVE BALHAM

Saturday June 9

Our friends at Church of the Ascension on Balham Hill have invited the St Mary's community to join them this year in their annual day of service to the community, known as 'Love Balham'. This is a day to witness through helping our neighbours: by car-washing, gardening, decorating, even nail-painting! More information to follow, but please mark your calendar now for this fun and important opportunity.

Box On The High Road

During April, which is Bowel Cancer Awareness month, we will be supporting Bowel Cancer UK and Beating Bowel Cancer, reg. charity 1071038. Bowel cancer is the second cause of all cancer deaths in the UK, together we are trying to stop deaths from bowel cancer.

Coming Up

Sunday 8 April *Easter 2*

8am Said Eucharist (BCP)

10.30am Festal Eucharist for Easter Day

6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP)

Monday 9 April *Lady Day*

8am Morning Prayer

8pm Service for Lady Day

Tuesday 10 April

8am Morning Prayer

Wednesday 11 April

8am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Said Eucharist

Thursday 12 April

8am Morning Prayer

Friday 13 April

8am Morning Prayer

Saturday 14 April

9.30am Morning Prayer

Wednesday 18 April

7.30pm Around The Table

Wednesday 25 April

1.15pm Wednesday Group

Saturday 28 April

12pm International Lunch

Sunday 29 April

12pm APCM

Saturday 9 June

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Our Prayers This Week

Our world:

- For people who have to suffer living under corrupt regimes

Our church:

- For all those who ministered to congregations and individuals over Easter that they come back refreshed or find time for their own spiritual refreshment

For the repose of the soul of:

- Winnie Mandela
- Dietrich Bonhoeffer
- Martin Luther King

A complete list of prayer requests can be found in the printed version of this pewsheet

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