

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

WORSHIP

19TH MAY 2019

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

David Bell is taking our service and preaching today

This is a quiet communion service with a short reflection and no hymns.

Instead of a collection being taken during the service there is a collection plate at the back of the chapel. If you are a UK tax payer you can donate by Gift Aid and for every £1 you give, St John's gets an extra 25p. Please put your donation in one of the Gift Aid envelopes in the back of the seats, adding your name and address. If you would like to give regularly by Gift Aid, please see Jo Need. Thank you very much for your support.

COLLECT

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

ACTS 11.1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." This happened three

times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL – JOHN 13.31-35

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All: Glory to you, O Lord

When he had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, O Christ

POST COMMUNION

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS



Please pray for those who are ill and those in particular need of prayer

Among them Ann Cooper, Caroline Hellicar, Phil Harvey, Florence Hicks, Stanley Ball, the Hallidan family, Ruth and Lee Clift, Alan and Sue Bennett, Bill and the Higgins family, Fiona Boulton and Aleksandra.

And for those who have died.

Readings for next Sunday: Acts 16.9-15, Psalm 67, John 14.23-29

St JOHN'S NOTICES AND NEWS

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SERVICES

MAY

Sun 26th 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10am Parish Communion & Children's Church
With a farewell to Vicky

JUNE

Sun 2nd 7th SUNDAY OF EASTER

10am All Age Communion

Sun 9th PENTECOST

10am Parish Communion & Children's Church

Sun 16th TRINITY SUNDAY

9am Holy Communion,
10am Sacred Space with Children's Church

Sun 23rd 1st SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10am Parish Communion & Children's Church

Sun 30th 2nd SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10am Parish Communion & Children's Church
10am Baptism of Ivy Qoba
12noon Baptisms of Matthew and Genevieve Rawson

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Little Groovers Tuesdays 9.30-11.30am

May

22nd Memorial Service

23rd Polling Station in church

24th Church Quinquennial Inspection

25th Community Café 10am-12noon

Helene Keates There will be a Memorial Service for Helene here at St John's on Wednesday 22nd May at 2pm followed by refreshments.

Christian Aid Week 12-18 May Thank you to everyone who collected for or supported Christian Aid Week.

Farewell Vicky Vicky's final working days in the parish are Wednesday, Thursday and Friday this week and her final service at St John's is next Sunday 26th May at 10am. Her collation service at St James, West End, in Southampton is on Tuesday 25th June at 7.30pm followed by refreshments and everyone is very warmly invited to support her.

Lunch Club for vulnerable refugees

We are working with Refugee Action Kingston to set up a lunch club in the church for some of the most vulnerable refugees in the area. This is planned to run on Tuesdays from the end of May. If you'd be interested in getting involved please speak to Vicky, Mervyn or Mimi.

Trip to Iona in 2020

If you might be interested in spending a week with the Iona Community on the beautiful Scottish island of Iona, probably in September 2020, please speak to Isobel. Further details available on request.

Saturday Community Café and Book sale

On Saturday 1st June and 13th July the café will be open from 10.00-2.00pm with our book sale. Large variety of good second hand books for adults and children at very reasonable prices. The proceeds from the café on 1st June will be for Help for Heroes and on the 13th July for OXYGEN.

ECO GROUP Church users - please do not put any more green rubbish on the compost heap. Please use the green RBK bin for green rubbish. We want to clear the compost heap to allow space for other things. Please feel free to come and help yourself to compost, there will be bags available in the kitchen or bring your own. You will need to bring a shovel. We cannot guarantee weed free compost.

'Faith, Belief and Belonging' – organized by All Saints Kingston and Kingston University Chaplaincy

Thursday 23 May in All Saints, Market Place Kingston, 6:00 to 7:15 pm, refreshments from 5:30. Final discussion session introduced by Trainee Rabbi Gabriel Webber of Kingston Liberal Synagogue and Dr Sarah Mehdi of the Huda Surrey Islamic Centre Kingston. How can we be true to our different faiths and set out our beliefs, but still belong together, in an increasingly divided society.

Details from lgpacker123@gmail.com

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