One in worship Open in faith Outward in community





Sunday 28 April 5th Sunday of Easter

8am Methodist Holy Communion

10am Choral Eucharist

In All Saints and on our Youtube channel

Music & Hymns

364, 394, 107, 276, I the Lord of sea and sky (words inside) Setting: Darke in F (Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei) Anthem: O taste and see (Vaughan Williams)

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.

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.

Readings

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.

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.

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.

I, the Lord of sea and sky,

I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in deepest sin, My hand will save. I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Here I am Lord. Is it I Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them, Whom shall I send? Here I am Lord.....

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide Till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? Here I am Lord.....

Prayer Matters

Elections

For all the candidates for the Mayor of London and London Assembly. Give them strength and courage to stand for all the people of London.

Peace

For all those countries suffering wars and conflicts. For the wounded and displaced. May they find a place of safety and be hopeful for the future.

Spring

We give thanks for the changing of the seasons. With new life in livestock, produce, plants and flowers. May we continue to learn to protect our world.

Our church

As we start to prepare for our annual parochial church meeting, elections of church wardens and committee members. We give thanks for those working hard to get the annual report ready.

Those who are sick or in need

Tim Clarke, Mary Birch, Mavis Adenakan, Christopher Pick, Lauren Davidson, Fiona Harman, Ruth Kirk Wilson, Harriet Greene, Gwynneth Pedlar and any known to us.

Those with longer term needs

Mary Allen, Jeremy Baker, Julian Greene, Simon Berlyn, Rosemary Cave, Judy Clarke, Wisdom Kari Kari, Anthony Backs, Isabelle Backs, Hannah Sharma, Norma Prior; all who support and care for them.

Those who have lately died

Sylvia Ryan, Hyacinth Brown, Elizabeth (Libby) Mayall and any known to us. All those who mourn.

Those whose year's mind falls at this time Peter Justice, Valerie Kyte and Phil Daniell.

The full version of Prayer Matters is at www.all-saints.org.uk/this-sunday-at-all-saints.

Notices

Electoral roll revision

The church electoral roll is being revised until next Sunday. Application forms are in the welcome hall.

PCC and churchwarden elections

There are two churchwarden places and three PCC places. Information and forms in the welcome hall. Please get yourself nominated and seconded before 12 May.

Christian Aid fundraising run

This Saturday 4 May, Peter Moorey, Head of Church Engagement and Community Fundraising at Christian Aid is running from Crystal Place to Waterloo, visiting all 21 Christian Aid supporting churches in South London. He'll arrive at All Saints at 10.30 am to 11am so please come and cheer him on. Christian Aid Week begins on 12 May.

Deanery Ascension Day Eucharist

St Peter's Streatham on Thursday 9 May at 7.30pm with choir members from ASWD, St Leonard's and St Peter's.

Dulwich Festival Artist's Open House at All Saints

11/12 May and 18/19 May, 11am to 6pm. Please sign up for church sitting. Diane Eagles is showing photographs and ceramics from artist residencies at The Ness of Brodgar Archaeological dig, Orkney. Neolithic mini pot workshops throughout each weekend by donation for participation.

Junior choir concert

After the morning service on Sunday 12 May, downstairs in the cafe area. Come and listen to our young musicians performing. Retiring collection towards the Timothy Penrose Music Fund.

Funerals

Sylvia Ryan: Tuesday 7 May at 11.30 am at All Saints (NB later time).

Hyacinth Brown: Wednesday 8 May at 11am at All Saints.

Giving to All Saints

Please scan the QR code to follow to make a gift to our parish (or set up regular giving). Thank you.



The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Antonia Castellucio.

During this week

Morning & Evening Prayer on Zoom Tuesday to Friday at 9.15 am & 5.15pm on www.all-saints.org.uk/services-this-week

The church is open for private prayer Tuesday to Thursday 10am to 12 noon

Monday: Prayer for Ukraine at 6pm

Wednesday: Knit & Natter at 2pm

Thursday: Tulip Café at 11am for over 65s and their carers in the café area Drop-in Spanish lessons between 10am and 12pm in church

Friday: SmAll Saints at 10.30am for babies, toddlers, parents & carers

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10am All Age Eucharist

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