

CHRISTIAN AID'S BIG BREKKIE: Today in the Church Hall 8.30 - 10.30 Please join us for bacon or egg baps, toast, tea & coffee. Proceeds to Christian Aid

THE MOTHERS' UNION are hosting a Cream Tea this coming Sat 12th May in the church hall from 14.30 - 16.00. There will be stalls and a raffle. We would love you to join us. If you can support us please put your name on the list in church, which will help us with the catering. Hope to see you.

VACANCY: The PCC wishes to appoint an Administrator and Building manager (8 hrs/wk). Please see the Vicar for details.

SUMMER FESTIVAL 2018: Sat. 7th July, 12md-4pm. We are ready to receive donations for stalls. Books and DVDs, China and Glass, Toiletries, Jewellery, Tombola prizes, Handbags are all needed. Please leave at the back of the church or put in the Hall upper room. Thank you.

DIARY DATES:

Summer Festival: Sat 7th July 2018 12md-4pm.

Advent Fayre: Sat 1st December 2018 12md-3.30pm

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Mission of the Month: Christian Aid



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Christ Church

For Christ. For you.

Welcome to our services today

Prayer Ministry is available during & after The 10.30 Service
Please join us for refreshments after The 10.30 Service

Sunday 6th May 2018 – Easter 5

- 0800 The 8.00 Service (Holy Communion 2)
- 0830 Big Brekkie for Christian Aid (in Church Hall)
- 1040 The 10.30 Service (Holy Communion)
- 1830 New Wine Celebration at CoGS
Speaker: Richard Hutchins

This Week's Activities

- Wednesday 0900 Morning Prayer
- 1930 Evening Wives (contact Norma Gibney)
- 1930 PCC Standing Committee
- Thursday 1000 The Thursday Service (Holy Communion)
- Friday 1000 Open Church Coffee Morning
- Saturday 0830 Ladies Breakfast at CoGS All ladies welcome.
Guest speaker: Eileen Jones.
- 0900 Church Cleaning
- 1430 Mothers' Union Cream Tea (in Church Hall)

Sunday 13th May 2018 – Easter 6

- 0800 The 8.00 Service (Holy Communion 1)
- 1030 The 10.30 Service

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

COLLECT

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:

grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ your Son 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 10:44-48

⁴⁴ While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message. ⁴⁵ The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on Gentiles. ⁴⁶ For they heard them speaking in tongues and praising God. Then Peter said, ⁴⁷ "Surely no one can stand in the way of their being baptized with water. They have received the Holy Spirit just as we have."⁴⁸ So he ordered that they be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked Peter to stay with them for a few days.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

SECOND READING: John 15:9-17

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

Glory to you O Lord

⁹ "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. ¹¹ I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. ¹² My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. ¹³ Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command. ¹⁵ I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. ¹⁶ You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. ¹⁷ This is my command: Love each other.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you O Christ