



***Welcome to St Peter and St Paul's,
it is good that you are here!***



Collect for Today

**Risen Christ,
for whom no door is locked, no
entrance barred:
open the doors of our hearts,
that we may seek the good of
others
and walk the joyful road of
sacrifice and peace,
to the praise of God the Father.**

Amen

Post Communion Collect

**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

Acts 2: 14a, 22-32

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them:

‘You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him,

“I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;
therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
moreover, my flesh will live in hope.

For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One experience corruption.
You have made known to me the ways of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.”

‘Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

“He was not abandoned to Hades,
nor did his flesh experience corruption.”

This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

John 20: 19 - end

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Psalms 16 See page 6 for the refrain on-line and/or the insert

Giving

Jesus said: “Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are my brothers and sisters you did it to me.”

Support Babystuff Braintree
(see Susan Pedder) through
prayer and donations

Support Wethersfield through
prayer and donations of clothes
for young men

Please find boxes in the porch for donations

Leading Your Church into Growth Prayer (LYCIG)

God of Mission

*Who alone brings growth to your Church, Send your Holy Spirit to give
Vision to our planning,
Wisdom to our actions,
Joy to our worship,
And power to our witness.
Help our church to grow in numbers, In spiritual commitment to you,
And in service to our local community,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*



What's Going On?

Electoral roll

Every parish church in the Church of England has an electoral roll which is a list of people who are connected with or a part of St Peter and St Paul perhaps by attending worship or living nearby. The roll size contributes to decisions about the collection and distribution of resources. It gives you the rights to stand for election, nominate and vote for members of our PCC who are the Church Trustees. It also permits you and those related to you to get married here or be buried here.

The Church Electoral roll will be revised between 5th and 19th April. If you would like to be added to the roll please contact Carole March on carole.march@googlemail.com. **Please note this is not a full revision of the roll and if you are already on it, you do not need to do anything further.**

Annual leave - please note that Rev Rachel will be on annual leave for the week after Easter, and will be returning to work on Tuesday 14th April.

Bingo - every Friday in FSR, 1.30-3.30, all welcome!

Service times - a reminder that all Sunday services will be at 11am apart from the All Age service at 9.30am on first Sundays.

The date of the flower festival has been set for the weekend 16th and 17th of May. Please put this date in your diary. The theme this year is: Biblical Characters.

**We pray for all those who are bereaved and for those
who are sick in body, mind or spirit and by name**

Derek
Josie and Pat
Gina
Jason and his Family
Graham
Ernie Andrews
Dorothy
Helen
All families in crisis

Lord, send us the gift of
peace. We pray for the
gift of peace, that hatred
may turn to
understanding, anger to
compassion and horror to
hope.



Philip
Carol, Rob's mum
Alan
Joshua Manning
Penny and Mike
Derek and Jo
Sheila Vince
Arthur and Pauline
Colin and Judy
Carole and Geoff

Holy Communion

Wafers (gluten-free wafers are available on request) will be offered and wine. If you feel uncomfortable about sharing the chalice, receiving the bread alone is not a lesser action. If you would like a Blessing only, please bring your service booklet to the Altar rail. Church protocol is that we should not dip the wafer in the chalice as a matter of hygiene. If this at all worries you, please do not hesitate to discuss it with a member of the Clergy.

The Coming Week

[Morning Prayer](#) There will be Morning Prayer on Zoom at 9.00am
Monday to Friday. Use this link: [https://s05web.zoom.us/
j/88481892518?pwd=V8mnpUEQpqGa7nsIRvKtjOWHUzWNDt.1](https://s05web.zoom.us/j/88481892518?pwd=V8mnpUEQpqGa7nsIRvKtjOWHUzWNDt.1)



Morning Prayer live is held at church every Friday morning at 9 a.m. All are very welcome to join us.

April 19 **11.00am** Sung Eucharist
Psalm 116; Acts 2: 14a, 36 - 41; Luke 24: 13 - 25

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- Morning and evening prayer are available at:
 - <https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer>

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Please see the Website and Newsletter for more information

Are you on the Mailing list? If not and you want to be, please contact Mike H or Isobel

John 20: 19 - end

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.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So 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.' A 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.' Then 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.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But 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.

Psalm 16



Refrain: O Lord, you are my portion and cup

- 1 Preserve me, O God, for in you have I taken refuge; ♦
I have said to the Lord, 'You are my lord,
all my good depends on you.'
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, ♦
upon those who are noble in heart.
- 3 Though the idols are legion that many run after, ♦
their drink offerings of blood I will not offer,
neither make mention of their names upon my lips.
- 4 The Lord himself is my portion and my cup; ♦
in your hands alone is my fortune.
- 5 My share has fallen in a fair land; ♦
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 6 I will bless the Lord who has given me counsel, ♦
and in the night watches he instructs my heart.
- 7 I have set the Lord always before me; ♦
he is at my right hand; I shall not fall.
- 8 Wherefore my heart is glad and my spirit rejoices; ♦
my flesh also shall rest secure.
- 9 For you will not abandon my soul to Death, ♦
nor suffer your faithful one to see the Pit.
- 10 You will show me the path of life;
in your presence is the fullness of joy ♦
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.