St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury

reflecting Jesus Christ



Sunday 21st April 2024

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Today's Service

9.30am Parish Communion

President and Preacher: The Revd Juliette Hulme

Gloria (Mass of St Thomas) David Thorne Sanctus/Agnus Dei (German Mass) Schubert Hymn 121 This joyful Eastertide Gradual Psalm 23 Easter Alleluia & sentence David Ogden

Offertory hymn: 461 There's a wideness in God's mercy

During Communion: I give you a new commandment Peter Nardone

Final hymn: 457 The king of love my shepherd is

Organ Voluntary: Gigge - Doctor Bulles Myselfe John Bull

6.00pm Choral Evensong St Andrew's Chapel

Minister: Canon Judy Anderson

Setting: Walmisley in D minor Responses: Seal Psalm 81: vs 9-17

Introit: This joyful Eastertide. Trad arr Charles Wood.

Hymns: 124 Ye choirs of new Jerusalem; 115 Now the green blade riseth

Anthem: Rejoice in the Lord alway (anon)
Organ Voluntary: Voluntary VII John Stanley

Next Sunday, 28th April

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

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For your prayers

As we give thanks for the joy of Easter, we also give thanks for the whole Church in South Sudan, its witness in troubled times and the long ministry of Bishop Elijah in the Diocese of Cueibet. We pray for the projects we as a deanery are funding, that the work may not be interrupted.

We pray for the church throughout the world; for faithfulness in worship and joy in service.

We pray for our world, for justice and prosperity for all for its people and for respect and care for the whole of creation.

We thank you, God, for our Nadder Valley Benefice, for its beautiful villages and churches and its caring communities. We pray for your guidance as we look towards the future with fewer clergy.

We pray for all who minister in our Benefice, for our congregations and for our communities, that we may discern your voice in these changing times and know the guidance of your Holy Spirit. Through your risen Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lent Boxes

Thank you to all who took Lent Boxes to support the British Red Cross - Israel and Occupied Palestinian Territory Appeal. Please would you bring your box back, to any service, by the end of this month, so that we can send our donation.

Lent Lunches

The Lent Lunches, provided by the three Tisbury churches, raised just over £1,000, which has been sent to Wiltshire Air Ambulance. Thank you very much to those who catered, those who served and all who attended the lunches.

The Collect for the Fourth Sunday of Easter

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The New Testament Reading: Acts 4.5-12

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is

"the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone."

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing.

He shall feed me in a green pasture: and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

He shall convert my soul: and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:

for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me:

thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life :

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost:

as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Gospel: John 10.11-18

Jesus said, 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

Open Gardens

Fonthill House

Sunday 28th April

The grounds of Fonthill House will be open from 12.00-5.00 on Sunday 28th April. Admission £10, in aid of Seeds4Success. You can read about this very worthwhile charity at https://www.seeds4success.org.uk

Old Fonthill Abbey Gardens Sundays 5th and 19th May

The grounds of Old Fonthill Abbey, SP3 6SP, will be open between 10.30am and 4.30pm, in aid of Cure Parkinson's and local charities. Come and enjoy a walk around the woods and lake and admire the bluebells – donations on the gate (£10 suggested donation). Why not enjoy BBQ sausages for lunch, or a cup of tea with delicious cake? Dogs welcome on leads.

Annual Meetings and Church Electoral Roll

Our church Annual Meetings this year will be held on **Sunday 12**th **May** at 10.45am (after the 9.30 Parish Communion service) in the church. Do please come!

If you would like your name to be added to the church Electoral Roll, please complete the form which is available in church, and return it to Trish Liddiard, our Electoral Roll Officer, by Sunday 28th April at the latest. The current list is displayed in the porch - if your name is already there, there is no need to fill in a form.

Have you considered becoming a member of the PCC (Parochial Church Council)? This is your opportunity to contribute to decision-making about church matters - do talk to Juliette or Judy if you would like more information.