

### A reading from the first letter of John

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life – this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us – we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 John 1. 1 – 2.2

### Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

It was evening on 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.

John 20. 19 – end



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**Sunday 8 April 2018 Second Sunday of Easter**



#### Collect

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

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.

#### Green Prayer

Dear Father, prayer is a mystery.  
We do not understand how it works  
or how our feeble petitions reach  
you, the Creator of the universe.  
We only know that Jesus prayed  
and opened the way into your  
presence. Help us to follow his  
example and his teaching,  
and to learn to pray  
as we breathe – more naturally,  
more readily and more often,  
and always in your Name.  
Amen. (Llewellyn Cumings)

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#### 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

##### READINGS

1 John 1. 1—22  
John 20. 19—end

#### 10.00am Parish Eucharist

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1 John 1. 1—22  
John 20. 19—end  
HYMNS: 462, 744, 402, 623

#### 11.15am PCC Meeting

#### 6.30pm Sung Evensong (BCP)

##### READINGS

Genesis 3. 8—15  
Galatians 4. 1—5  
HYMNS: 636, 2, 624  
Psalm 85



## FOR OUR PRAYERS

### Those who are ill or in need:

Finley; John Titterington; Harry Watson; Pauline Shepheard-Walwyn;

### Those who have died: Mary Jarvis

**Those whose anniversary of death falls this week:** Eric Clark (2001), Valerie Finch (2000)

**Link Parish:** The People of St Francis of Assisi, Barham Green, Bulawayo

### THIS WEEK

#### Tuesday 10 April

11.00am Morning Prayer

8.00pm Book Club

#### Thursday 12 April

8.00pm Brass Group

#### Friday 13 April

10.00am Friday Group, Truman Room

7.30pm Adult Choir

#### NEXT SUNDAY 15 APRIL—Easter 3

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Eucharist

6.30pm Evening Prayer

### NEXT WEEK

#### Monday 16 April

8.00pm Junior Church Leaders at Tish's

#### Tuesday 17 April

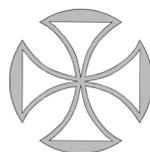
11.00am Morning Prayer

#### Thursday 19 April

8.00pm Brass Group

#### Friday 20 April

7.30pm Adult Choir



**THANK YOU** to everyone who helped in any way with the Holy Week and Easter services this year.

**THANK YOU** to Elaine Chester and Karen Chinn for decorating the church so beautifully and to all those who have contributed towards the cost of the Easter flowers.

**THANK YOU** to our wonderful Junior Church Leaders who planned the recent very successful Kids Activity afternoon. Lots of fun was had—and you will all appreciate the beautiful Easter Garden in which every child had a hand!

**PCC AND SYNOD ELECTIONS AT THE APCM** are approaching—forms to sign are in the cross aisle. There are vacancies for both the Church Council and the Deanery Synod. **The Annual Meeting is on April 22 after the 10am Morning Service** and the first PCC meeting is on April 25.

**SPRING EDITION OF THE PARISH NEWS** is now available—take your copy—suggested donation is £2.50. Many thanks to Naomi and Brenda and those who have all contributed to another bumper edition.

### 10.00am SERVICE - ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN

There are paper puzzles and craft activities in the Truman Room for children up to 12 years old. Please help yourself at any time during the service.

### GARDEN TOOLS FOR CHRIST CHURCH

If anyone can spare some garden tools in reasonable condition for use in the church gardens please contact Hazel Bate 07962 811990. Particular items we are short of are fork, hoe, leaf rake, leaf hand collectors, sharp arm length long handled loppers, sharp pruning saw, wheelbarrow, bag liners.

### HALL BOOKINGS VOLUNTEER

We are looking for a volunteer to take over management of occasional hall bookings. Presently this involves manning the hall mobile, confirming bookings and liaising with the volunteers who open and shut the hall on a weekend rota. It is expected the hall will remain available for bookings until Summer 2019. Please contact Michael or Stefan Bown if you're interested.

### 2018 PARISH TRIP TO ASSISI AND ROMAN COUNTRYSIDE from 3—12 September 2018

The trip is more or less full but a few extra places could be found for those who would like to go. Leaflets and booking forms are available on the table in Church. Please contact Chris Larkman (020 8542 0612/07950 642550) or [chrislarkman@gmail.com](mailto:chrislarkman@gmail.com) as soon as possible if you are interested in joining the group.

**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC POST** is currently being advertised nationally. Please pray that the right candidate may be found to continue our musical tradition at Christ Church. Meanwhile we are very grateful to our Choir and visiting Organists.

**SCAFFOLDING** is going up around the church as the stonework has to undergo some (expensive) repairs. The letter published last week gives more details about this work—do take a copy today. **If you would like to contribute, please place your donation in a white envelope and mark it STONEMWORK—and do gift aid if you are able.** Any queries, please speak to the Wardens, Sal or Julie.