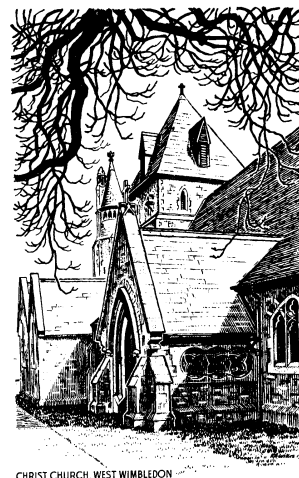


A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Standing before the high priest and the council, Stephen, filled with the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. 'Look,' he said, 'I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!' But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' When he had said this, he died. *Acts 7.55-60*

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

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.' Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.' *John 14.1-14*



CHRIST CHURCH, WEST WIMBLEDON

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The post of Vicar is currently Vacant

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Farhad Hedayati & Flis Banks

Director of Music: Tom Theakston



SUNDAY 7th MAY 2023

EASTER 5 — CORONATION OF KING CHARLES III



CORONATION COLLECT

O God, who providest for thy people
by thy power, and rulest over them in love:
Grant unto thy servant Charles, our King,
the Spirit of wisdom and government,
that being devoted unto thee
with his whole heart,
he may so wisely govern, that in his time
thy Church may be in safety,
and Christian devotion continue in peace;
that so persevering in good works unto the
end, he may by thy mercy come to thine
everlasting kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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.
Amen.

CORONATION PRAYER

Almighty God,
the fountain of all goodness,
bless our Sovereign Lord, King Charles,
and all who are in authority
under him;
that they may order all things
in wisdom and equity,
righteousness and peace,
to the honour of your name,
and the good of your Church and people;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Services led by Rev'd Bruce Rickards

8.00am HOLY COMMUNION

10.00am ALL AGE SERVICE

followed by cake and fizz in CHURCH

READINGS: Acts 7.55-end; John 14.1-14

HYMNS: 86, 482, 629, 493

6.30pm BCP EVENSONG

READINGS: Zechariah 4.1-10;

Revelation 21.1-14

HYMNS: 243, 282, 333 Psalm 147 vs1-12

FOR OUR PRAYERS

Those who are ill or in need: Dorothy Turner, Leslie Robertson, Wendy Rafferty, George Greenshields, Joyce Alice Boulding

Those who have died:

Anniversary of death: Brian Skelton (2004); Barbara Tanner (2017)

Link Parish of St Francis of Assisi, Barham Green, Zimbabwe.

THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY 10th MAY

9.15am TODDLER GROUP

NEXT WEEK—SUNDAY 14th MAY

EASTER 6

Services led by Rev'd Alun Ford

10.00am PARISH EUCHARIST

with Junior Church / Senior Church

6.30pm BCP EVENSONG

OPEN GARDENS on Sunday 4th June. Meet in the Church garden at 2.00pm. Four glorious gardens, ending with a lovely tea, garden quiz and plant sale. All donations will go towards buying plants for the garden's green spaces.

THE PARISH OFFICE will be closed on Friday 5th May.

CREATIONTIDE 2023 SERVICE A date for your diary: **Sunday 10th September** at 10.00am, we'll have a special Creationtide service with Jack Edwards, Diocesan Environment Officer for Southwark, as our guest preacher.

Read and download ***The Bridge*** from: southwark.anglican.org/thebridge

CREATIONTIDE 2023 DISPLAY

In the season of Creationtide we will think about God's Earth and all creation: The biblical mandate to care and the reality of climate change, pollution and extinctions. Once again, we'll have a display of pictures, photographs, Thank you. paintings and objects from church members. Please start collecting, cutting out, photographing and creating for this year's display. Contributions will be collected at church in July and August. If it's difficult for you to print photos, you can email them to Lucy Christie direct or via the parish office nearer the time.

THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

will take place on Sunday 21st May, after the 10.00am Service. At that meeting we will update our Electoral Roll—A list of everyone at Christ Church. If you are not on the list, we want you to be! A copy of the current list is at the back of church. If you need to join, take a form and hand it to one of the Churchwardens. Annual Accounts and Reports are available on the cross aisle.

Christian CARE Association, a local charity urgently needs a Deputy CARE Coordinator to assist the CARE Coordinator in its day to day running. All staff are volunteers and this job should take up the equivalent of 2 days a week. For more information see notice board at back of church or the charity's website <https://christiancaremerton.org.uk> volunteering section or speak to Pat Spencer.

CHARITY COLLECTIONS FOR THE BISHOP'S LENT APPEAL AND THE CHURCH MISSION SOCIETY

The Bishop's Lent Appeal raised £307.50 including Gift Aid and the Easter collection for The Church Mission Society raised £195. The Gift Aid on that will be claimed by CMS.

HALL CAR PARK Thank you for being considerate when you use the hall car park on a Sunday morning. It's possible to park four cars on both sides. Four can easily fit to the left of the hall (if you are facing it), and 4 smaller cars could park on the right. Thank you.

UPDATE FROM A ROCHA KENYA

For over 3 years we have partnered in prayer with A Rocha Kenya. Please pray for staff to navigate well through a period of transition as they have completed three projects and new ones have started in 2023. More detailed prayer requests are on the board in the prayer corner. The staff at A Rocha Kenya send greetings and, wonderfully, they are praying for us as we seek a new vicar and for our work as an Eco Church.

INTERREGNUM PRAYER

Merciful God, whose love is freely given to all in this Parish and Congregation, and throughout your whole creation, help us to grow in that love during our interregnum and the future.

Give us wisdom and courage, in our search for a new vicar, in the tasks that need to be done in the meantime,

and in the holding together of the congregation.

In the name of your son, our saviour, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

