

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

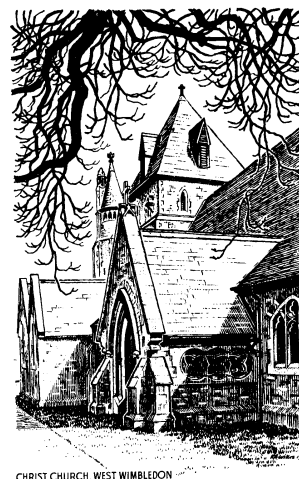
Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, 'Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, "To an unknown god." What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him – though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For "In him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said, "For we too are his offspring." Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.'

Acts 17.22–31

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

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.'

John 14.15–21



CHRIST CHURCH, WEST WIMBLEDON

Christ Church West Wimbledon

The post of Vicar is currently Vacant

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SUNDAY 14TH MAY 2023
EASTER 6 – CHRISTIAN AID WEEK



COLLECT

Risen Christ, by the lakeside
you renewed your call to your disciples:
help your Church to obey your command
and draw the nations to the fire of your
love, to the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

POST COMMUNION

God our Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ
give the water of eternal life:
may we thirst for you,
the spring of life and source of goodness,
through him who is alive and reigns,
now and for ever.

Amen.

10.00am PARISH EUCHARIST

Service led by Rev'd Alun Ford
with Junior & Senior Church

READINGS: Acts 17.22-31;
John 14.15-21

HYMNS: 19, 196, 90, 324

GREEN PRAYER

Father of Creation,
God of Compassion,
your world is groaning,
our hearts are groaning.

Our hearts ache,
we face missional paralysis,
not knowing what to do.

Lord have mercy,
Christ have mercy.

Amen.

Excerpt from
Jon Swales' prayer no 6:
World on fire.

6.30pm BCP EVENSONG

READINGS: Zechariah 8.1-13;
Revelation 21.22-22.5

HYMNS: 206, 156, 238

Psalm 36 v 5-10

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: Iris Rocksborough Smith (1998); Sue Rocksborough Smith (2019); David Lankey (2009); Richard Hodgson (2008)

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

THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY 17th MAY

9.15am TODDLER GROUP

NEXT WEEK

SUNDAY 21st MAY

EASTER 7

Services led by Archdeacon Simon Gates

10.00am PARISH EUCHARIST

with Junior Church / Senior Church

followed by

the Annual Parochial Church Meeting

6.30pm BCP EVENSONG

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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. Contributions to the plant stall will be very welcome. All donations will go towards buying plants for the garden's green spaces.

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.

As you may know, the **GRASS** at **CHRIST CHURCH** is cut by Bill, Kevin and Rob. They are very much hoping that one or two younger others may sign up to share this very satisfying job - the more people on the list, the fewer times they will need to do it! Please contact Tish or Julie, they will be delighted to hear from you.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK We are making a collection in church for Christian Aid Week which begins on 14th May. There will be envelopes in the pew sheets for donations. If you are giving by cheque please make your cheque payable to Christian Aid.

TOGETHER on THURSDAYS There will be tea in the Hall on **Thursday 25th May** at 3.00pm. Everyone is welcome. Please sign the list at the back of church if you plan to come, indicating if you would like a lift.

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.

