

Notices

Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.
Amen



Elaine Almond is retiring as a Licensed Lay Minister. Join us in giving thanks for her ministry on Sunday 22nd May at 10am



The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Flower and Art exhibition to celebrate the Queen's 70th Jubilee:

30 May – 3 June 2022

**Join us and start planning **

The Annual Meeting will take place on Thursday 19th May at 7:30pm in the church.

If you would like to stand for the church council or as churchwarden, or volunteer to be a sidesperson, reader or to lead intercession, please fill in the appropriate paperwork

The Institution, Induction and Installation of The Reverend Chris Turner to be Vicar of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Borough Green
7pm Wednesday 18th May

IN OUR PRAYERS Please remember those who are ill or in special need at this time:
Pat Head, Alan & Margaret Soames, Gillian Aitkenhead, Barry Corbishley, Pam Jones, Brenda Hewson, Linda Vallance, Marion Alcock, Fred Williams, Sean Cloke, Laurence Francis
RIP: Celia Smith,

For changes or additions to the pew sheet please email: vicar.cogs@gmail.com



THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD BOROUGH GREEN

1906—2022



Vicar Revd. Chris Turner 882447 vicar.cogs@gmail.com (Not available Tuesdays)

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4th Sunday of Easter—8th May 2022

Welcome to the Church of the Good Shepherd

Today's Hymns

- 206** Jesus is risen, alleluia!
799 The Lord's my shepherd
209 Love's redeeming work is done
546 O Lord my God

The Collect

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**

Prayer after Communion

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



NEXT SUNDAY

09:00 Breakfast Church

10:30 Holy Communion



Please Note

This service is being streamed using Zoom and the front of nave and all the chancel are visible on screen

FIRST READING

Acts 9.36-43

In Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Psalm 23

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

He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

He shall refresh my soul and guide me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full.

Surely goodness and loving mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

, I will give you thanks for ever.

SECOND READING

Revelation 7.9-17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our

God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

GOSPEL READING

John 10.22-30

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.'

