



Sunday 22nd February—Lent 1

10.00am: Holy Communion



Hymns:

- 56 - Forty days and forty nights
- 524 - What Adam's disobedience cost
- 231 - O for a closer walk with God
- 235 - O Jesus, I have promised (omit v. 2)

Organ Voluntary

Durch Adams Fall ist ganz verderbt (BWV 637) by J. S. Bach

*Through Adams fall is totally spoiled
all human nature and being,
the same poison is bequeathed to us
from which we cannot be delivered
without the solace of God . . .*

Collect

Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness,
and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:
give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit;
and, as you know our weakness,
so may we know your power to save;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Reading: Genesis 2:15-17,3:1-7

¹⁵ The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶ And the LORD God commanded the man, ‘You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; ¹⁷ but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.’

3 Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, ‘Did God say, “You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?”’ ² The woman said to the serpent, ‘We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; ³ but God said, “You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.”’ ⁴ But the serpent said to the woman, ‘You will not die; ⁵ for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God,^[a] knowing good and evil.’ ⁶ So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. ⁷ Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

4 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ² He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³ The tempter came and said to him, ‘If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.’ ⁴ But he answered, ‘It is written,

“One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.”’ ⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶ saying to him, ‘If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, “He will command his angels concerning you”, and “On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.”’

⁷ Jesus said to him, ‘Again it is written, “Do not put the Lord your God to the test.”’

⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; ⁹ and he said to him, ‘All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.’ ¹⁰ Jesus said to him, ‘Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

“Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him.”’

¹¹ Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Benefice Services:

Wednesday

10.00am—Midweek Communion

Sunday 1st March, Second of Lent

8.00am, BCP Communion at Crockham Hill

10.00am, Welcome Eucharist for Revd Emma at Crockham Hill

10.30am, Holy Communion at Westerham: in modern language with hymns. Everybody's welcome.

Readings: Genesis 12:1-4a; John 3:1-17

6.00pm, Choral Evensong at Westerham.

Readings: Psalm 55 or 56; Jer 6:22-end;

Whoever you are, wherever you live, whichever church you consider 'yours', whatever life is like for you and regardless of money, status, (dis)ability or anything else, you are welcome at any service in the Benefice.

New Associate Minister for the Benefice

Licensing Service for Rev'd Emma Wylie at St Mary's, Westerham on 23rd Feb at 7:30 pm followed by refreshments

Welcome Service at Holy Trinity, Crockham Hill on 1st March at 10am also followed by refreshments

NOTICES

Foodbank gifts: Always grateful to receive non-perishable goods.

Bereavement Café: 2pm-4pm At Bridges Centre in Edenbridge, on the third Monday of the month.

Crockham Hill Drop in Café —future dates Wed 18 March.

10.30am—Harris Room

Holy Trinity APCM— **Thursday 26th February** at 7pm in the School Hall. We are looking for a Churchwarden and PCC Secretary, as well as three new PCC Members. If interested please contact Lorraine Ashley for details.

It's Your Calling: The next day for exploring how God might be calling you is on **Saturday 28th February** at the St Benedict's Centre. God's people are a pilgrim people, and we are all called to on the move, spiritually and in vocation. The new year is the perfect moment to spend some time with others, asking God to show us what new thing he is calling us to. **Speak to Revd Dave if you think this might be for you.**

Church Flowers — Our lovely team of Church Flower Fairies is looking for new members. The commitment is just once or twice a year, and you'll be paired with someone experienced, so please do come along and see if it's something you might enjoy.

For more information, please speak to Annie Blissett on **01732 864182** or [**anne.blissett@outlook.com**](mailto:anne.blissett@outlook.com)

Please note that as from 28th February, notices for the pewsheet should be sent to the Benefice office in Westerham by 12 noon on a Wednesday.

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