

19 April, 2026, Third Sunday of Easter



Services today

8am – Holy Communion, (Revd Chris Collinge)
10am – Holy Communion, (Revd Chris Collinge)
Young Church in the hall

Hymns for 10am today:- 509, 360, 409, 228

Next Sunday, 26 April

8am – Holy Communion
10am – Holy Communion
10am – Young Church in the hall.
11.30am – Celebration of Wholeness and Healing
1pm – Baptism, Oliver Goldsmith

INTERCESSIONS - Our prayers have been asked for Lorna and Charles, Hazel and Elle, Jane, Janine, Julie.

COLLECT

Almighty Father,
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples
with the sight of the risen Lord:
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;
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.

READINGS

Acts 2: 14a + 36-41

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them:

³⁶ Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

³⁷ Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?”

³⁸ And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

³⁹ For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.”

⁴⁰ And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation.”

⁴¹ So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

Luke 24: 13-35 On the Road to Emmaus

¹³ That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹

⁵ While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them.

¹⁶ But their eyes were kept from recognizing him.

¹⁷ And he said to them, “What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?” And they stood still, looking sad.

¹⁸ Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?”

¹⁹ And he said to them, “What things?” And they said to him, “Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him.

²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened.

²² Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive.

²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see.”

²⁵ And he said to them, “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken!

²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?”

²⁷ And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

²⁸ So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, ²⁹ but they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, for it is towards evening and the day is now far spent.” So he went in to stay with them.

³⁰ When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them.

³¹ And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight.

³² They said to each other, “Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?”

³³ And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, ³⁴ saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!”

³⁵ Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Living God,
 your Son made himself known to his disciples
 in the breaking of bread:
 open the eyes of our faith,
 that we may see him in all his redeeming work;
 who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.



YOUNG CHURCH - This Sunday we will be hearing about two men walking along a road and bumping into someone special. We will play a blind-fold game for the story. Play pin the tail on the fish, play seeing mini treats game and make a Feet collage for our Young Church board.

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**THANK YOU TO EVERYBODY WHO SUPPORTED
 our Annual Meeting last Sunday.
 Your presence really does make a difference...**

BINGO Monday 7.30pm for 7.45pm in the hall. Everybody welcome !,

The **Bible Study Group** will meet again on **Tuesday April 21st**. The area of study may be the life and times of King David- everyone is welcome. Chris' phone number is 07790366241.

Thursday 23 April, 7:30pm - Emmaus Road Fellowship in church.

Community Hub Saturday 25 April 1030-1230

Bible Course:

We are starting the Bible Course on Friday 1 May in the hall. 5-6:30pm. At the moment we have three people signed up. You might want to consider coming to the first session (called “Introducing The Bible), to see if it is for you. No obligation to continue but please let me know if you are thinking of attending session 1.

Session 1 - Introducing the Bible

Session 2 - Genesis: The Story Begins

Session 3 - Exodus: The Story of Freedom

Session 4 - Kings: The Story of Power

Session 5 - Exile: The Story of Loss

Session 6 - Jesus: The Story of Rescue

Session 7 - Acts: The Story of Mission

Session 8 - Revelation: The Story Completed.

The next time for **Churchyard Care** is **Saturday 2nd May from 10.00am** and we would love your company and help for however long you can spare. The session will end at mid-day, with refreshments in the hall at 11.00. Work and chat will be varied, no gardening experience is needed and we have tools. Please wear gloves and stout shoes/boots