

**8.30 am Sunday morning prayer** at Holy Trinity

**9.45 am Eucharist** at Holy Trinity and online

**Coffee (11 am), Service of the Word (11.30) at Christ the King**

**7 pm Evening Prayer** by phone: dial 0333 016 0300

Enter Room number : 34424525# ... then Enter PIN: ask for PIN#

**Thank you for adding your voice to our worship today**



This week we are asked to pray for Carol Martin, Caroline, Audrey, Keith Battarbee, Jasmine, Phil, Martin Beaumont, Desiree, Valerie Lines, Albert & Joyce, Pearl Evans, Dowler, Tony Smith, Lauren, Jon, Mel, Lee J, Pat Greenwood, Michael Bungay, Emer, Matthew, Leanne, Sandy, Brendan, Fran Carroll, Rebecca & Sam & Evelyn.

We remember those who have died including Jane King, Danny Fraylick, Luke Rowland-Morris; and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time including Sheila Davies (19<sup>th</sup>), Daniel Lucraft, Christine Gaules (23<sup>rd</sup>).



*Holy Trinity church costs £23.01 per day to maintain (an increase of 41p on last year). If you would like to contribute to our basic running costs, you can donate via this QR code.*



## THIS WEEK

### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April

Morning Prayer 8.30 am HT

Eucharist 9.45 am HT

Service of the Word 11.30 am CtK

Evening Prayer by telephone 7 pm

**Mon - Thu** Morning Prayer 8.15 am in church (Holy Trinity) and via Zoom (meeting ID 853 6081 3492 ask for passcode).

### Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April

Christ the King singers 7.30 pm CtK

### Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April

Coffee, craft & chat 2 – 4 pm CtK

### Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April

Art Club drop-in 10 am – 12 noon HT

### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April

Morning Prayer 8.30 am HT

Eucharist 9.45 am HT

Eucharist 11.30 am CtK

Evening Prayer by telephone 7 pm

## NOTICES

**Privacy notice:** Our 9.45 Eucharist is live-streamed to YouTube to reach out to those who cannot attend in person. If you sit behind the first two pews, you will not be on camera. (We never show congregants receiving Communion.)

**Easter Raffle:** Thank you to anyone who sold tickets, donated prizes or bought tickets and helped raise £600.

**FOHT Afternoon Tea** Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May at 2 pm. Tickets £15 per person (£13.50 for Friends' members).

Contact Karen or Becky for tickets.

Donations for raffle or hamper welcomed.

**Invitations to sit, kneel and stand** are suggestions. Please feel free to adopt whatever posture works for you as an aid to worship and prayer.

**Induction loop:** Our audio system can transmit sound directly to hearing aids with a "T-coil" setting, reducing background noise for clearer audio.

**Sunday Evening Prayer:** Just pick up the phone at 7 pm and dial in. Usually there are 6-10 of us on the line. After a brief chat, we press \*1 to mute so we can concentrate on the voices of the two-to-three people leading that day. Once or twice a month we use BCP (traditional language), Our half-hour service ends with everyone saying The Grace together. Questions? Ask any minister.

**Christ the King Singers** are a friendly, community choir. You don't have to read music; you don't have to attend Christ the King! If you are willing to have a go, and SMILE while you sing, we'd love you to join us as we prepare a Pentecost celebration. We rehearse on Tuesday evenings at CtK.

**Community Donations:** Every week we contribute to the Vineyard Church's Food-Shed. This month they especially need: baked beans, UHT milk, and tinned meat or tinned fish. We also collect for Grace Community Church's Children's Clothes Bank, particularly underwear and socks for ages 3-18 (no babywear, please).

## SAVE THE DATES

**Saturday 23 May:** evening confirmations at St Albans Cathedral. Do save the date to come along and support our candidates!

**Saturday 20 June:** Pilgrimage to St Albans for a vibrant procession, powerful worship, and a festival that fills the streets with colour, music, and life.

## ***Eucharist for 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter***

The Lord be with you.

**and also with you.**

Alleluia. Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*We pray:* **Come, Holy Spirit,  
fill the hearts of your faithful people,  
and kindle in us the fire of your love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*We sing: The strife is o'er (AMNS-78)*

*We kneel or sit to confess our sins.*  
**My God, for love of you  
I desire to hate and forsake all sins  
by which I have ever displeased you;  
and I resolve by the help of your grace  
to commit them no more;  
and to avoid all opportunities of sin.  
Help me to do this,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*The president declares absolution.*

**Glory to God  
and peace for all his people;  
we worship you, give thanks so true, honour and praise.  
Glory to God in Jesus, Son and Saviour:  
you take away our sin  
and for mercy we pray.  
*Glory to God! Glory to God!  
Peace from the highest heaven: sing glory to God!***

**Glory to God whose majesty and mercy  
seen in the Son, love's holy one,  
Jesus the Lord.**

**Glory to God  
for Jesus Christ our Saviour  
who with the Holy Spirit and Father  
is one.**

***Glory to God...***

**Glory to God the hope of every people;  
Give us that light in human sight,**

**Spirit and truth.  
Glory to God whose love in Jesus risen  
takes every life and moment  
to heaven above!  
Glory to God...**

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*The president prays the collect prayer.*

*We may sing:*

**When all the world was sleeping,  
and the sun had gone to bed...  
up jumped Lord Jesus  
and this is what he said:  
I have risen, risen, risen,  
I have won us a new start!**

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A reading from the first letter of Peter.

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

*(1 Peter 1: 17-23)*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

On the day of Pentecost, Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd,

‘Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.’

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, ‘Brothers, what should we do?’ Peter said to them, ‘Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.’ And he testified with many

other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added to their number.

*(Acts 2: 14a, 36-41)*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*We sing: Thine be the glory (AMNS-428)*

*Gospel reading:*

Alleluia! Your words, O Lord,  
are spirit and life. Alleluia!  
Open our hearts to your word.

**Alleluia! Your words, O Lord,  
are spirit and life. Alleluia!  
Open our hearts to your word.**

Rejoice, all the earth,  
for the night is gone!  
Our God has raised us up from death  
in Christ Jesus the Son.

**Alleluia! ...**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *Luke*.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

On that same day, two of the disciples were going to a village called Emmaus...

Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognised Jesus; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread. *(Luke 24: 13-35)*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*We listen to the sermon*

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has  
spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to  
come. Amen.**

*We are led in intercessions.*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Merciful Father,

**accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.**

**Amen.**

*The president introduces the Peace*

The peace of the Lord be always with you: **and also with you.**

*We share the peace with a wave.*

*We offer our gifts as we sing: We have a gospel to proclaim (AMNS-431).  
We use Eucharistic Prayer D.*

The Lord is here.

**His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to Lord our God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*The president leads our praises to God for his mighty acts and we  
respond*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,**

**God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*We join the prayer:*

This is his/our story.

**This is our song:**

**Hosanna in the highest**

*We recall the Last Supper, the Prayer continues, and concludes*

Father, Son and Holy Spirit:.

**Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever.**

**Amen.**

*We kneel or sit:*

**Our Father, who art in heaven,**

**hallowed be thy name;**

**thy kingdom come;**

**thy will be done;**

**on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation;**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,**

**the power and the glory,**

**for ever and ever. Amen.**

Lord, we died with you on the cross.

**Now we are raised to new life.**

We were buried in your tomb.

**Now we share in your resurrection.**

Live in us, that we may live in you.

**O Lamb of God,**

**you bear the sin of all the world away;**

**you suffered death our lives to save;**

**have mercy now, we pray.**

**O Lamb of God,**

**you bear the sin of all the world away;**

**you set us free from guilt and grave;**

**have mercy now, we pray.**

**O Lamb of God,**

**you bear the sin of all the world away;**

**eternal peace with God you made;**

**give us your peace, we pray.**

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Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*Please join us in Communion if you have ever been confirmed or formally prepared for Holy Communion. Others are warmly invited to carry this leaflet to the front and the priest will pray a blessing for you.*

*Our communion wafers meet the requirements both of Coeliac UK and the Church of England. We offer the common cup. If you do not wish to drink from the cup but want to acknowledge the sacramental presence, you may touch the chalice base, or take it into your hands for a moment, before saying "Amen". Those at home are invited to pray:*

**I worship and adore you, Lord Jesus Christ,**

**present in bread and wine, and present in your people, who are gathered in spirit.**

**In this moment I join with them to receive you in my heart, and in our community.**

**May you, enthroned on the altar, be now enthroned in my heart, may you, present**

**in bread and wine, feed and renew my soul,**

**may you, who gives yourself to us again, fill us with grace, and heavenly blessing.**

**Even as I am fed, may my hunger for you and for your reign of justice and peace**

**increase, that I may, with your Spirit, work for that day when your kingdom shall**

**come on earth as it is heaven. Amen.**

**You have opened to us the Scriptures, O Christ,**

**and you have made yourself known**

**in the breaking of the bread.**

**Abide with us, we pray,**

**that, blessed by your royal presence,**

**we may walk with you  
all the days of our life,  
and at its end behold you  
in the glory of the eternal Trinity,  
one God for ever and ever. Amen.**

*We hear notices.*

*We sing: Ye choirs of new Jerusalem (AMNS-73)*

*We remain standing for the blessing.*

Alleluia. Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

**In the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

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