

First Reading at Service

Reading from the New Testament

Acts 1: verses 6 to 14

The Ascension of Jesus

So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.'

Matthias Chosen to Replace Judas

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with

certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading at Service

Gospel Reading

John 17: verses 1 to 11

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

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus Prays for His Disciples

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. 'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking

on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

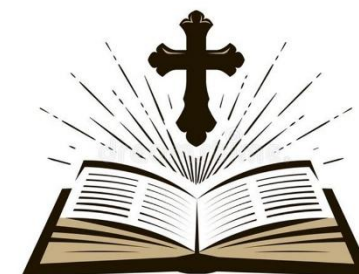
This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Reading from the Old Testament

Ezekiel 36: verses 24 to 28

I will take you from the nations, and gather you from all the countries, and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. I will put my spirit within you, and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.



Notices

Refreshments – Refreshments – everyone is welcome to join us after the service for a chat and have a cuppa and biscuit served at the back of church. Please sign up for June if you are able to help with serving drinks.

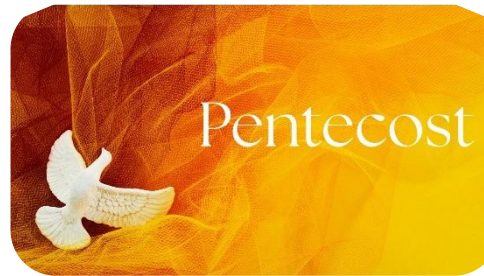


Surplus furniture – We are looking for small comfortable chairs, small bookcases or side tables to help furnish the creation chapel. If you have anything suitable you would like to donate, please send a photo via email to Michael Heap at this address: - redbrickinteractive117@gmail.com



Next Week

24^h May – Pentecost
Holy Communion – 9.30am



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**WELCOME TO
ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH
KIRK LANGLEY**

**Sunday 17th May 2026
The Seventh Sunday of Easter
Sunday After Ascension Day**



Today's Service is Holy Communion

*If you have a prayer request, please pass to
the Church Warden*

Please take this leaflet home with you for reference