

CLAPHAM :: KEASDEN :: AUSTWICK :: ELDROTH CHURCHES WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

'You are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing.'

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Colossians 1.15-28

15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; **16** for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. **17** He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. **18** He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. **19** For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, **20** and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. **21** And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, **22** he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him— **23** provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

Luke 10.38-42

38 Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. **39** She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. **40** But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and



Detail from the Martha and Mary window, Austwick Church

asked, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.' **41** But the Lord answered her, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; **42** there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.'

Today's services: 9.30 Austwick Holy Communion, **11.00 Clapham** Easy Church,
6.30 Eldroth Evening Prayer

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Psalm 52

- 1 Why do you glory in evil, you tyrant,
while the goodness of God endures continually?
- 2 You plot destruction, you deceiver;
your tongue is like a sharpened razor.
- 3 You love evil rather than good,
falsehood rather than the word of truth.
- 4 You love all words that hurt,
O you deceitful tongue.
- 5 Therefore God shall utterly bring you down;
**he shall take you and pluck you out of your tent
and root you out of the land of the living.**
- 6 The righteous shall see this and tremble;
they shall laugh you to scorn, and say:
- 7 'This is the one who did not take God for a refuge,
but trusted in great riches and relied upon wickedness.'
- 8 But I am like a spreading olive tree in the house of God;
I trust in the goodness of God for ever and ever.
- 9 I will always give thanks to you for what you have done;
**I will hope in your name,
for your faithful ones delight in it. Amen**

Prayers

The Church of Pakistan (United), The Most Revd Dr Azad Marshall, Moderator.

Those in ill health. Those who have died: *David Thomas.*

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

MUSIC IN TODAY'S SERVICES *Sunday 20th July*

9:30 **Austwick** Holy Communion; 6:30 **Eldroth** Evening Prayer *

Opening hymn: 476 Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim

Gradual Hymn: 407 Lord, thy word abideth

Music before Communion: 341 Blest are the pure in heart

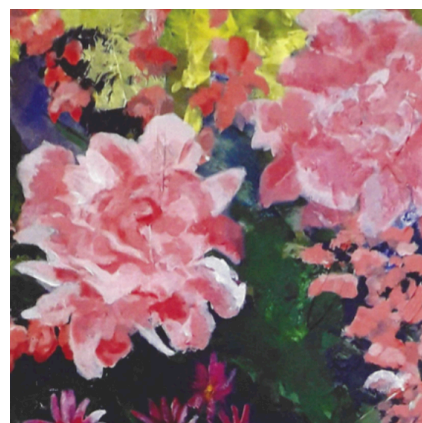
Closing hymn: 339 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart

* **Also today: 11:00 Clapham** Easy Church

**‘The Flower Show’ Fine Art Exhibition takes place
between 2nd to 17th August daily, 11.00 - 5.00,
at Settle Quaker Meeting House, Kirkgate.**

Vibrant floral-themed works by five professional artists and others will be on display. Proceeds will go to the British Shalom-Salaam Trust (BSST) which supports grassroots inter-community projects in Palestine and Israel, helping Palestinians, Jews and others work together for a future of peace and co-operation. <http://www.bsst.org.uk>

Pictured: Sue Sands, Peonies (detail)



CHURCH SERVICES THIS SUMMER

27 July Trinity 6

9.30 Austwick Holy Communion

11.00 Clapham Holy Communion

3 August Trinity 7

9.30 Eldroth Holy Communion

11.00 Clapham Holy Communion

6.30 Newby Chapel Evening Easy Church: Ephesians

10 August Trinity 8

9.30 Austwick Holy Communion

11.00 Keasden Holy Communion

17 August Trinity 9

9.30 Austwick Holy Communion

11.00 Clapham Easy Church

6.30 Eldroth Evening Prayer

24 August Trinity 10

9.30 Austwick Holy Communion

11.00 Clapham Holy Communion

3.30 Keasden Summer Walk

31 August Trinity 11

10.30 Keasden Benefice Holy Communion (Revd Steve Rathbone)

7.00 Clapham New Inn Church in the Pub (to be confirmed)

Also, each Wednesday:

10.30 Austwick Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

COME ALONG TO OUR SUMMER EVENTS

Saturday 26 July 10.00-2.30:

CLAPHAM AND KEASDEN PARISH FETE

IN CLAPHAM CHURCH AND GROUNDS (see back page)

Saturday 2 August 6.30:

SUMMER BBQ AT KEASDEN HEAD

Sunday 24 August 3.30:

SUMMER WALK

A CIRCULAR WALK FROM ST MATTHEW'S CHURCH KEASDEN

CLAPHAM AND KEASDEN



PARRISH FETE

Family fun
whatever the
weather!

DUCK
RACE
2.00pm

SATURDAY 26th JULY

10.00am - 2.30pm

St James' Church and Churchyard, Clapham

Something for everyone, children and adults alike, including:

Teddy Zip Wire, Crafts and other stalls, Face Painting,

Tombola, Raffle, Bacon Butties, Cakes and Teas.

Admission free. Everybody's welcome: bring your family and friends!

Proceeds to the churches of St James, Clapham and St Matthew, Keasden