COLLECT

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness

and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:

grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life,

so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our

who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

FIRST READING

The reading from Acts must be read as either the First or Second Reading.

Either Acts 10:44-end

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

While Peter was speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Or Isaiah 55:1-11

PSALM Psalm 98

R The Lord has made known his salvation.

Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvellous things. His own right hand and his holy arm have won for him the victory. The Lord has made known his salvation;

his deliverance has he openly shown in the sight of the nations. R

He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness

towards the house of Israel. and all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Sound praises to the Lord, all the earth:

break into singing and make music. R

Make music to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the voice of melody.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn

sound praises before the Lord, the King. R

Let the sea thunder and all that fills it. the world and all that dwell upon it. Let the rivers clap their hands and let the hills ring out together before the Lord,

for he comes to judge the earth. In righteousness shall he judge the

and the peoples with equity. R

SECOND READING

Either 1 John 5:1-6 A reading from the first letter of John.

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Or Acts 10:44-end

GOSPEL John 15:9-17

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

Jesus said to his disciples: "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

POST COMMUNION

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness,

through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.





SIGNPOST

The weekly newsletter of
St George's, Tuffley with St Margaret's, Whaddon
Worshipping, Caring, Pioneering,
'Growing God's Kingdom'

Welcome to all Diary Dates from 5th to 12th May 2024

Sun 5	EASTER 6		
	10.30am	St G's	Parish Communion
			with 4 Baptisms
			Crucifer: Roger
			Readers: Linda/David
			Intercessions: Derek
			Coffee:
	4.00pm	St M's	Evensong &
	_		Banns of Marriage
Mon 6	May Day Bank Holiday		
Tue 7	9.30am	SH	Coffee Pot
	10.00am	St G's	Parish Communion
	1.30pm	MH	Fun & Free
	5.00pm	LC	Evening Prayer
Wed 8	8.15am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
	2.00pm	LC	Discussion Group
	7.00pm	SH	PCC meeting
Thu 9	Ascension Day		
	10.30am	St M's	Parish Communion
	2.00pm	SH	Art Group
Fri 10	7.30pm	MH	Entertainers
Sun 12	EASTER 7 CHRISTIAN AID WEEK		
	9.00am	St M's	Parish Communion &
			Banns of Marriage
	10.30am	St G's	Parish Communion
			Crucifer: Sylvia C
			Readers: Paul/Sylvia E
			Intercessions: Susan
	4.00	0: 141	Coffee: Dianne/Erna
	4.00pm	St M's	Family Praise

St G's = St George's, St M's = St Margaret's,
MH = Main Hall, SH = Small Hall, SL = Softley Lounge,
LC = Lady Chapel

Keep bringing items for the Foodbank on a Sunday.

Collection point is the tray at the back of the Church. The Foodbank are in URGENT NEED OF LONG-LIFE FRUIT JUICE & MILK, (not chilled) TINNED VEGETABLES, SHOWER GEL. Thank you.

Art Group 30th May

Julie Palmer has kindly agreed to lead another session for the Art Group. This will be looking at colour mixing and will be on Thurs 30th May from 2.00 pm until 4.00pm. Even if you don't normally come to the group, why not come along that day?

Holiday Club from 6th to 8th August

We are hoping to run a Holiday Club again, following a similar pattern to last Summer. For this to be viable, we will need at least 16 adults each day. Please would you sign up at the back of either church if you're able to offer any time and energy to the Holiday Club. Thanks to those who have already done so!

We pray for...

Laura, Angela, Margaret, Mark, Johanna, James, Peter, Hans, George, Jenny, Hilary, Sarah, Wendy, Terry.

Banns of Marriage:

Ist calling at St Margaret's for: -Jack William King & Sarah Elizabeth Freeman

Hymns at St George's:

13 108 Remembrance by Matt Redman 727

12th to 18th May 2024 is **Christian Aid Week**. Christian Aid will be focusing on the worldwide cost-of-living crisis faced by many people. The **bucket** is almost ready to put in an appearance from next Sunday onwards.

Fun and Free 14th May

We are struggling for volunteers for Fun and Free on 14th May (1.30pm to 4.30pm) and may have to cancel. Any help that afternoon would be hugely appreciated by both Rachel and Laine.

The **Electoral Roll** will be on display on the noticeboard until Sunday 12th May. To vote at the APCM, be elected to the PCC, or be appointed to any other post your name must be on the Electoral Roll. Enrolment forms are available at both churches. Completed forms should be handed to your Electoral Roll Officer, either Margaret Barber or Jill Ponter, or to Glenda or to a Churchwarden. Thank you

Pentecost is on Sunday 19th May. We shall be holding our **Pentecost Party** on Saturday 25th May. From 10.00am. Are you free to help out? If yes, please tell either Rachel or Susan.

Laine's farewell and lunch

On **Sunday 26th May**, there will be a joint service at St George's at 10.30am to celebrate all Laine has brought to us over the last two years, to say thank you and pray for her and her family as they move on to St Lawrence Barnwood. There will be no 9.00am at St Margaret's. A shared lunch will follow the service. A list will soon be available to note what food you might bring. Thank you.

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