

News Sheet for Sunday 10th May – The Sixth Sunday of Easter

LINK FOR THE LIVESTREAM SERVICE - <https://cofewrecclesham.org.uk/streamed-services/>

Please click on the link from ten minutes beforehand and there will be the livestream link to take you to the service

Thank you to everyone involved in leading our worship today - also to Wendy for offering hospitality – and to Hazel for flowers, they are much appreciated...

THIS SUNDAY'S SERVICE – Sixth Sunday of Easter

8am – NO SERVICE

10am – Holy Communion – led by Rev Sandy Cavalier, Refreshments in the Hall after

Lectionary: Genesis 8.20-9.17; Psalm 66.7-18; Acts 17.22-31; John 14.15-21

The 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 Lord.

PRAYERS FOR Margaret Jeffery, Jenny Emberson, Stephanie & Norman Robinson, Tim Sturt, Gerald Martin, Andrew Jones and for all who are poorly. We give thanks for the healing and ongoing wellbeing of all recovering and on the mend from illness...

We remember all those dear to us whose years' mind falls around this time

(please let Chris know if you would like someone remembered by name ...)

Please also pray for the life and work of our Church, that we might be part of God's revival, and loving and transforming grace here in our place...

***Please note a change in our usual Services for Sunday 7th June –
8am Holy Communion - led by Rev Clive Richardson
10.30am will be a Non-Communion Service (details to follow)***

OUR NEXT MESSY CHURCH SESSION, **Fruits of the Spirit**, is on Sunday 10th May from 4pm-6pm. As always, we would welcome a few more pairs of hands to help. There are various roles including putting out tables/chairs in the hall after morning refreshments, leading a planned activity, serving food, or clearing up (from 5.15pm). It would also be lovely to see you if you would like to experience the warmth of a Messy Church session. Perhaps you would enjoy sharing refreshments or tea with our families. If you are able to offer help or plan to come along, please email messychurch@cofewrecclesham.org.uk with an indication of what you would like to do. We hope to see you then. Many thanks from the Messy Church team.

**** UPCOMING DATES & EVENTS ****

Saturday July 11th – Evening Harp Concert 7pm - Tickets £10 on sale from
www.ticketsource.com/st-peters-church-wrecclesham
tickets will also be available after 10am services from June

ST PETER'S COMMUNITY FAIR ON JULY 12TH needs your support. Apart from lots of help on the day we want people who can organise stalls and activities which will engage our village community, including some games for children. Could you organise a treasure hunt or suggest some other games? Do you have home-made produce, handicrafts or plants which we could sell? Could you man a stall? Please contact Kathryn with any offers / inspiration. kathrynbeehive@gmail.com 07796 065396.

SPONSORED WALK FOR ST PETER'S CHURCH Saturday 16th May, leaving St Peter's at 10:00 and arriving at the Cathedral approx 3:30 to 4pm. We can hopefully enjoy some prayer in the Lady Chapel if it is free and perhaps refreshments in the refectory. The full walk will be 12 miles in length, but for those who want a shorter walk they can join at Puttenham, or Watts Gallery on Down Lane. What do we need to make this happen? Firstly, walkers and sponsors! Also, people prepared to bring the walkers back from the Cathedral afterwards or bring walkers back from parking their cars at the Cathedral at 09:00 in the morning. The walk is open to all ages and will provide a wonderful fitness exercise for that week, along with lovely company, conversation & scenery enroute. Sign-up sheet is in church and Leverton Hall or email Steven Knowles Stevenknowles1@gmail.com

See the Church website for a link to the Just Giving Page for the Walk – they have already raised over £1,200 – can you help them reach £1500?

Notice from the PCC:

Our much-appreciated Parish Administrator, Christine Wilkes, is retiring at the end of June.

We are seeking to recruit a **Part-time Parish Administrator**

This role manages the overall administration of the parish and is the first point of contact for any enquiries.

- 4 hours a week

- Details of hourly rate in application pack
- Work flexibly from home

You will need good administrative and computer abilities, strong interpersonal skills, and be able to prioritise and work independently. Application details from: churchwarden@cofewrecclesham.org.uk Closing date for applications 2.6.2026

NEW TREASURER FOR ST PETER'S – CAN YOU HELP?? We need someone to take over the role. There would be a hand over to help and support. Please speak to Gerald, 07831 352331, or any one of our PCC if you can help or know of anyone who can. Thank you.

“Please support our campaign to keep a Vicar in the Parish of Wrecclesham to lead the worship, the work, and the community of St Peter’s”

An update on progress - we have received donations of over £5,000 so far and are very pleased with this good start to the campaign. We are most grateful for all contributions.

St. Peter’s Church is entirely self-supporting. In order to fund a Vicar for Wrecclesham, we need to increase our income, from parishioners and the wider community, by at least another £25,000 per annum. Gifts can be made using this link which takes you to St Peter’s Church Parish Giving Scheme page, or you can telephone 0333 002 1271, Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm, quoting parish number 170617058.

<https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/wrecclesham-st-peter-farnham>

Enhance your gift to St Peter’s Church, through Gift Aid adding 25% to your giving, if you are eligible. Or please make a donation using the card machine at the back of the church.

We are very grateful for all donations - there is no donation too small If you have any ideas or suggestions to help with our fund raising, please speak to the Churchwarden or a member of the PCC, or email

EVENING PRAYER via zoom. A new monthly gathering for evening prayer in the Celtic style. Next meeting is Thursday May 14th at 8pm. **(Please note change of date)**. The zoom code to use is: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78058577536?pwd=EclONrW7khqmw7ja01VnOZ4u2T8ZiL.1>

MORNING PRAYER via zoom continues on Wednesdays at 8.30pm, now using the Anglican form. If you are interested in participating in either of these or want to know more, then contact Kathryn (kathrynbeehive@gmail.com).

NEXT SUNDAY’S SERVICE –7th Sunday of Easter

8am – Holy Communion **10am** – All Age Service (No Holy Communion) – with Refreshments in Hall after

THE YOUTH CAFE meets on Wednesdays in term time at the Leverton Hall 3:15pm-4:45pm. The Youth Cafe provides a safe, supportive and welcoming space for young people to socialise, have fun, and get free refreshments.

NEWS SHEET – please let **Chris Wilkes** know of any notices you would like included – **by Thursday lunchtime if possible**. Email: parishadmin@cofewrecclesham.org.uk – Tel/text: 07902 768597

WRECCLESHAM OVER 60’S – On 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month @ 1.30pm – a lovely group meet at the Leverton Hall – please pick up a leaflet for information....

FARNHAM FOODBANK BASKET IS LOCATED ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE CHURCH BY THE DOOR

Please only donate long-life goods – fresh and perishable goods cannot be accepted – thank you for all that you contribute. Lizzy Hendry kindly takes the food to the Foodbank for us.

Contact: mail: info@farnham.foodbank.org.uk or call 07901 58153 visit website farnham.foodbank.org.uk

DIOCESE NEWS - If you would like news and info from the Diocese, please sign up to their [weekly parish brief](#).

Readings

First Reading: Genesis 8.20-9.17

Then Noah built an altar to the LORD, and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird, and offered burnt-offerings on the altar. And when the LORD smelt the pleasing odour, the LORD said in his heart, 'I will never again curse the ground because of humankind, for the inclination of the human heart is evil from youth; nor will I ever again destroy every living creature as I have done. As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease.'

God blessed Noah and his sons, and said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth. The fear and dread of you shall rest on every animal of the earth, and on every bird of the air, on everything that creeps on the ground, and on all the fish of the sea; into your hand they are delivered. Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you; and just as I gave you the green plants, I give you everything. Only, you shall not eat flesh with its life, that is, its blood. For your own lifeblood I will surely require a reckoning: from every animal I will require it and from human beings, each one for the blood of another, I will require a reckoning for human life. Whoever sheds the blood of a human, by a human shall that

person's blood be shed; for in his own image God made humankind. And you, be fruitful and multiply, abound on the earth and multiply in it.'

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.' God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

Second Reading Acts 17.22-31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, 'Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, "To an unknown god." What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him - though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For "In him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said, "For we too are his offspring."

Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.'

Gospel John 14.15-21

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them