
Pew-sheet for Sunday 1st June

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

(Sunday after Ascension Day)

Today's services

Liturgical Colour: White

8.45am Morning Prayer on Zoom

Meeting ID 833 3035 8290

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10.00am Holy Communion at the
church of St John the Evangelist,
Wicken

4.00pm Celtic Footsteps *Different
Paths* at the church of St Nicholas,
Potterspury

Collect for today

O God the King of glory, you have
exalted your only Son Jesus Christ
with great triumph to your kingdom
in heaven:

we beseech you, leave us not
comfortless, but send your Holy
Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us
to the place where our Saviour
Christ is gone before,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Post Communion prayer for today

Eternal God, giver of love and
power,
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us
into all the world to preach the
gospel of his kingdom:
confirm us in this mission, and help
us to live the good news we
proclaim; through Jesus Christ our
Lord. **Amen**

Readings for this morning's service of Holy Communion

First Reading: Acts 16.16-34

¹⁶ One day, as we were going to the
place of prayer, we met a slave-girl
who had a spirit of divination and
brought her owners a great deal of
money by fortune-telling. ¹⁷ While
she followed Paul and us, she would
cry out, 'These men are slaves of the
Most High God, who proclaim to
you^[a] a way of salvation.' ¹⁸ She
kept doing this for many days. But
Paul, very much annoyed, turned
and said to the spirit, 'I order you in
the name of Jesus Christ to come
out of her.' And it came out that
very hour.

¹⁹ But when her owners saw that
their hope of making money was
gone, they seized Paul and Silas and
dragged them into the market-place
before the authorities. ²⁰ When they
had brought them before the
magistrates, they said, 'These men
are disturbing our city; they are
Jews ²¹ and are advocating customs
that are not lawful for us as Romans
to adopt or observe.' ²² The crowd
joined in attacking them, and the
magistrates had them stripped of
their clothing and ordered them to
be beaten with rods. ²³ After they
had given them a severe flogging,
they threw them into prison and
ordered the jailer to keep them
securely. ²⁴ Following these
instructions, he put them in the
innermost cell and fastened their
feet in the stocks.

²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas
were praying and singing hymns to
God, and the prisoners were

listening to them. ²⁶ Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. ²⁷ When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸ But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' ²⁹ The jailer^[b] called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰ Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' ³¹ They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' ³² They spoke the word of the Lord^[c] to him and to all who were in his house. ³³ At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. ³⁴ He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

For the Word of the Lord;
Thanks be to God

Gospel: John 17.20-26

Hear the Gospel of our Lord,
Jesus Christ, according to John.
Glory to you, O Lord

²⁰ 'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us,^[a] so

that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴ Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵ 'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶ I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

The coming week's services and prayer

Wednesday 4th June

8.00pm, a short service of **Night Prayer** on our South Cleley [Facebook page](#).

Thursday 5th June

There is no meditative prayer meeting this week.

Sunday 8th June

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10.00am Holy Communion at
Yardley Gobion

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Church Buildings

Our buildings are open at the following times:

Cosgrove Daily 10am to 4pm

Potterspurty Daily around 9am to 5pm,
or until after the last service of the day

Yardley Gobion Monday to Saturday
10am to 4pm, Sunday 12noon to 4pm

Wicken – the church can be opened if
anyone would like to go in. Please see
the notice outside for details of who to
contact.

What else is coming up?

- **Tuesday 3rd June – 9.00– Little Lambs** – Potterspurty
- **Thursday 5th June – 10.30 - Coffee Morning** – Cosgrove (17 Main St)
- **Tuesday 10th June – 9.00 – Little Lambs** – Potterspurty
- **Saturday 14th June – 10.30 – Church Café Plus** (with Jackie's jewellery valuations) – Potterspurty

- **Tuesday 17th June – 9.00 – Little Lambs** – Potterspurty
- **Tuesday 17th June – 12.45 – Nic's Kitchen** – Potterspurty

Additional Lectionary readings for this Sunday

Revelation 22.12-14, 16-17, 20-21

¹² 'See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. ¹³ I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.'

¹⁴ Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

¹⁶ 'It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.'

¹⁷ The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.' And let everyone who hears say, 'Come.' And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

²⁰ The one who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.' Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

²¹ The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

Psalm 97

You, Lord, are most high over all the earth.

1 The Lord is king: let the earth rejoice; ♦ let the multitude of the isles be glad.

2 Clouds and darkness are round about him; ♦ righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.

3 Fire goes before him ♦ and burns up his enemies on every side.

You, Lord, are most high over all the earth.

4 His lightnings lit up the world; ♦ the earth saw it and trembled.

5 The mountains melted like wax at the presence of the Lord, ♦ at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

6 The heavens declared his righteousness, ♦ and all the peoples have seen his glory.

You, Lord, are most high over all the earth.

7 Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in mere idols. ♦ Bow down before him, all you gods.

8 Zion heard and was glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoiced, ♦ because of your judgements, O Lord.

9 For you, Lord, are most high over all the earth; ♦ you are exalted far above all gods.

You, Lord, are most high over all the earth.

10 The Lord loves those who hate evil; ♦ he preserves the lives of his faithful and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

11 Light has sprung up for the righteous ♦ and joy for the true of heart.

12 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, ♦ and give thanks to his holy name.

You, Lord, are most high over all the earth.

**Most high and holy God,
enthroned in fire and light,
burn away the dross of our lives
and kindle in us the fire of your love,
that our lives may reveal the light and life
we find in your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Please take this pew-sheet home
with you after today's service.**

**You may wish to use the
readings during the week for
your own prayer and reflection.**