

Newsheet 28th April 2024

Alleluia Christ is Risen! He is risen indeed Alleluia!

Welcome to St Paul's Egham Hythe especially if you are here for the first time. Do stay for refreshments after the service. To join our mailing list email office@speh.org.uk



Hymns: 573 Praise to the Lord, 445 May the Fragrance of Jesus, You Are the Vine (below), 2 Abide with Me

Collect: Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion: Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Acts 8:26-40 Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.)²⁷ So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship²⁸ and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah.²⁹ Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.'³⁰ So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?'³¹ He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him.³² Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: 'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth.'³³ In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.' The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?'³⁵ Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus.³⁶ As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?'³⁸ He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him.³⁹ When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing.⁴⁰ But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

John 15:1-18 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower.² He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit.³ You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you.⁴ Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me.⁵ I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.⁶ Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned.⁷ If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.⁸ My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

Hymn: You are the Vine

You are the Vine
We are the branches
Keep us abiding in You

And we will go (And we will go)
In Your love (In Your love)

You are the Vine
We are the branches
Keep us abiding in You

And we will go (And we will go)
In Your Name (In Your Name)

That the world (That the world)
Will surely know (Will surely know)

For prayer this week

- For the ministry of our churchwardens and members of the PCC.
- For those who live in Farm Close, Beech Lodge, Farmers Road, Field View
- For those who are ill and have asked for prayer including baby Albert, Edna, Hazel, Pauline, Jon, Alma, Corinne, Ann, Mary, Laura, Amrita and Kamal.
- For those who mourn and at their year's mind we remember, David Simmonds, Pamela Norfolk, Paul Clay, Gary Atkins

What's on 28th April- 5th May 2024

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| Sunday 28 th April 10am | Holy Communion (streamed to YouTube and zoom room) |
| Monday 7.30-9pm | Bible Study Group (see below) |
| Tuesday 9.30am 3-4.30pm 7-8.30pm | Prayer Space in church Youth Space Foodbank in church |
| Thursday 9.30-11am 1pm 2pm | Stepping Stones Tea and chat in church Communion |
| Saturday 9.30am 10am | Prayer Space Open Space |
| Sunday 5 th May 10am 7.30pm | Holy Communion (streamed to YouTube and zoom room) Pub Social @ Thames Side Brewery, Staines. All welcome |

Contact office@speh.org.uk for zoom joining codes and to sign up for weekly email updates

Bible Study Group: All are welcome to join our bible study group which meets fortnightly on Mondays from 7.30pm – 9pm in the church vestry. This term we are thinking about the theme of '**Confidence in a Complex World**'. The next gathering will be on Monday 29th April.

APCM: A big thank you to all who attended our annual meeting last Sunday. We are delighted to announce that Diane Oliver and Elizabeth Rosier were elected churchwardens and Alison Bingham, Christine Oxenham and Leigh Doe were elected to the PCC.



Receiving Communion: Starting next Sunday (5th May) we will be trialling a return to receive directly from the chalice at communion. Please note that this is entirely optional and those who wish to continue having the host intincted may do so. For those wishing to receive from the chalice, could you please make this known to either the clergy or wardens as it will help the process to go that bit smoother. Thank you