

NOTICES

Sunday 27th April

6.00pm Calstone: Evensong
 10.00 Cherhill: Holy Communion
 11.15 Compton Bassett: Morning Worship
 11.15 Heddington: Morning Worship

Monday 28 th April	10.00 Heddington Coffee Morning 7.15 Prayer Meeting
Tuesday 29 th April	9.15 Little Fishes
Wednesday 30 th April	1.30pm Home Group at the Rectory
Saturday 3 rd May	12.30 Heddington: Wedding
Sunday 4 th May	10.30 Calstone: Benefice Communion

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If you need help with safeguarding issues, please contact the Safeguarding Officer on 07864 000906

27th April 2nd Sunday of Easter Acts 5.27-32 John 20.19-31



Almighty Father,
 you have given your only Son to die for our sins
 and to rise again for our justification:
 grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and
 wickedness
 that we may always serve you
 in pureness of living and truth;
 through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
 who is alive and reigns with you,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God our Father,
 through our Saviour Jesus Christ
 you have assured your children of eternal life
 and in baptism have made us one with him:
 deliver us from the death of sin
 and raise us to new life in your love,
 in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
 by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Next week:
 3rd Sunday of Easter**

**Acts 9.1-6
 John 21.1-19**

Welcome

We hope you feel welcome at our church and find it a place where you can meet with God. If you are unsure about anything, please ask the person who gave you this sheet.

We love children and we understand they will make some noise; don't worry about it! However, if you feel your youngest ones would benefit from playing quietly in a corner, do ask the people who welcomed you and they can point you in a suitable direction. We may even have the odd book or toy for them to play with.

A **loop system** may be provided in this church. Please ask or check by switching your hearing aid to the "T" position.

PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET HOME WITH YOU

Old Testament Reading: Acts 5.27-32

The apostles were brought in and made to appear before the Sanhedrin to be questioned by the high priest. 'We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name,' he said. 'Yet you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and are determined to make us guilty of this man's blood.'

Peter and the other apostles replied: 'We must obey God rather than human beings! The God of our ancestors raised Jesus from the dead – whom you killed by hanging him on a cross. God exalted him to his own right hand as Prince and Saviour that he might bring Israel to repentance and forgive their sins. We are witnesses of these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.'

Gospel Reading: John 20.19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you!' After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

Again Jesus said, 'Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.' And with that he breathed on them and said, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.'

Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord!'

But he said to them, 'Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said,

'Peace be with you!' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.'

Thomas said to him, 'My Lord and my God!'

Then Jesus told him, 'Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.'

Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Confirmations

On Saturday 10th May at 6.30pm a few of our members are being confirmed at Salisbury Cathedral. These are always great events, and all are welcome to join. Ask me if you want more details. Matt

Upcoming APCM Meetings

Yatesbury – 7th May at 5pm
Cherhill – 12th May at 7pm