



The Parish of Pentyrch
and Capel Llanilltern

Welcome

2nd May 2021

Easter 5

The priest will greet the people during Eastertide with:
Alleluia! Christ is Risen

*The people respond joyfully: **He is risen indeed, Alleluia!***

In our Parish we pray today for Field Terrace, Pentyrch, from the electoral roll for Clive Thorogood and for the Altar linen volunteers at St Catwg's. In our Diocese we pray for the Cowbridge Ministry Area, Ministry Area Leader: Stephen Adams, Lay Chair: Andrea Harries. In the wider church we pray for The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East

The Lord be with you **And also with you**

Let us pray

The Collect for Easter 5

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. **Amen.**

A reading from 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.) 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 worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. 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. 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?' Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. 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?' He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. 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. 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.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

A reading from 1 John 4. 7-21

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, 'I love God', and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The

commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22. 25-31

From you comes my praise in the great / congrega/tion :

I will perform my vows

in the / presence of / those that / fear you.

The poor shall eat / and be / satisfied :

those who seek the Lord shall praise him;

their / hearts shall / live for / ever.

All the ends of the earth shall remember and / turn to the / Lord :

and all the families of the / nations shall / bow be/fore him.

For the kingdom / is the / Lord's :

and he / rules / over the / nations.

How can those who sleep in the earth bow / down in / worship :

or those who go down to the / dust / kneel be/fore him?

He has saved my life for himself;

my des/cendants shall / serve him :

this shall be told of the Lord for / gene/rations to / come.

They shall come and make known his salvation,

to a people / yet un/born :

declaring that / he, the / Lord, has / done it.

At the Gospel all remain standing and face the Gospel Book

Alleluia, Alleluia! Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint John

Glory to Christ our Saviour.

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. 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. 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. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to Christ our Lord.

PARISH NOTICES

We will be sharing Evening Prayer (via zoom)

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 5pm

Those wishing to join in this office are asked to ensure the Parish Secretary has your email details. clivethorogood@gmail.com

Why not join us for a coffee morning
(via zoom) on Wednesday at 10.30am

The Parish of Pentyrch and Capel Llanilltern
Presents:

“Father and Sons”

Music for Harpsichord and Baroque Violin by

J.S. Bach

W.F. Bach

C.P.E. Bach

Sunday, May 2nd, 5.00pm



Marc Elton
(Baroque Violin)



Despina Aomatidou
(Harpsichord)

A free, live-streamed concert



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