



ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, ALNWICK

24TH APRIL 2016

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

WE ARE AN EASTER PEOPLE 'ALLELUIA!' IS OUR SONG

WELCOME!

A very warm welcome to St Michael's – especially if you are with us for the first time. Please do stay behind after the 9.30 and 11.15 am services for tea/coffee and a chat. If you receive Communion at your own church, you are invited to do so here or, if you would prefer, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

Large print books and a loop system are available.

This leaflet gives details of readings, services and other events in the near future – please take it home with you to read and then use as a reference for the coming days.

8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION

President The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott
Preacher John Cooke
Reader Rob Wilson

9.30 am PARISH EUCHARIST

Setting: Mass of St Cedd

President The Rev'd Colin Perkins

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Parents with babies and very small children are most welcome to take them to the Children's Corner (at the back of church) at any time. For young people and older children, Junior Church is in the Parish Room



INTROIT HYMN

641 Glorious things of thee are spoken

1ST READING

Acts 11:1-18

Reader: Sue Baines-MacNeill

(Page 126 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)

These Acts are those of the risen Christ in and with his church. The Jerusalem church here calls on Peter to justify his eating and preaching among Gentiles, and they realise that the new life in Christ is not restricted to a privileged few.

2ND READING

Revelation 21:1-6

Reader: Judy Jobson

(Page 257 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)

Our weekly readings are giving us some of John's visions of the glory of the risen and ascended Christ, worshipped in heaven by all the faithful. At the end of this age, John believes, there will be a new heaven and a renewed world, and God's presence will fill them both.

GRADUAL 203 Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!

THE GOSPEL John 13:31-35
(Page 105 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)

The Gospel takes us back to the night of the Last Supper. Judas has gone out to betray Jesus, who now speaks of his own destiny not as a failure but as glory, fulfilling to the uttermost God's way of love.

SERMON John Cooke

PRAYERS Intercessor Patricia Kind

OFFERTORY HYMN 198 At the Lamb's high feast we sing

After the Offertory, the service continues with the Eucharistic Prayer which starts on page 8 of the Eastertide booklet

COMMUNION HYMN 204 If Christ had not been raised from death

FINAL HYMN 507 We have a gospel to proclaim

11.15 am LATE MORNING WORSHIP

Leader Jane Brown
Address Emma Mavin

2.00 and 3.00 pm HOLY BAPTISM *Please pray for:*

Wilfrid Gale Patten
Elliot Robert Johnstone



6.00 pm SUNG EVENSONG (BCP, 1662)

Readings: Daniel 6:6-23 *(p. 841 of the Old Testament in the pew bible)*
Mark 15:46-16:8 *(p. 52 of the New Testament in the pew bible)*

Reader: Rosie Buxton

Office The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott

Preacher The Rev'd Colin Perkins

Hymns 691 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Psalm 98 *(Page 471 of the small Prayer Book)*

608 Christ is our cornerstone

200 Christ the Lord is risen again

209 Love's redeeming work is done

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK...

That we may learn Christ's way of love

Thanksgiving for our Baptism

All suffering as a result of recent earthquakes in Ecuador & Japan

The wonder of creation

The anxious & depressed

WORSHIP AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 25 th	10.30am	Funeral of Victoria Banbury
	2.00pm	Fabric Committee in church
Tuesday 26 th	9.30am	'Gateway' planning meeting in church
Wed 27 th	10.15am	Holy Communion
	2.00pm	Pastoral Visitors Group at the Vicarage
Thurs 28 th	9.15 am	Mini Michaels

Next Sunday: 1st May *The Feast of Ss Philip and James*

Transferred from Monday 2nd May

8.00 am	Holy Communion	Isaiah 30:15-21	(CW 1122)
		Ephesians 1:3-10	(CW 1123)
		John 14:1-14	(CW 1124)
9.30am	First Sunday Eucharist		
6.00 pm	Sung Evensong, BCP 1662	Job 23:1-12	John 1:43-51



Have you made a note in your diary of our **90TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION** for our Queen? On Sunday 12th June we will have a joint act of worship at **10.00am** followed by our usual tea and coffee and then a celebratory lunch for which tickets will be on sale very soon. Please note that on the previous Sunday (5th June) we will hold our normal 9.30 am and 11.15 am morning services.

We look forward to our **DEANERY EVENSONG** at Holy Trinity, Embleton at 6.00pm on Sunday 22nd May. We are fortunate that Bishop Christine has agreed to be the preacher on that occasion. Please do make a note of the date and watch out for further details about sharing transport.

Alnwick's **BAILIFFGATE MUSEUM** is currently having a bit of a facelift and so is shrouded in scaffolding. The Museum helpers are most anxious to let people know that they are still open as usual, so - please - help to spread the word!

ALNWICK DISTRICT FOOD BANK now needs two volunteers to help with membership and communications work. The trustees would be glad to hear from anyone who feels they could help with either of these areas. Interest in helping people in food poverty and computer communication skills are the only requirements! Please contact ADFB by email (alwickdistrictfoodbank@gmail.com) giving a phone number if you are interested - for a telephone discussion.

Thanks for your continuing support by donating non-perishable items to **THE FOOD BANK**. These can be left here in the Food Bank box at the back of church or in the Food Bank bins in Costa, the Co-op and Iceland, which are emptied every week by our wonderful volunteers.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2016 (Sunday 15 May – Sat 21st)

The envelopes have landed! There are 12 bundles and the sign-up sheet at the back of church this morning. Please consider taking one to help the town's yearly 'big bash' for Christian Aid. (We are actually one of only two towns in the area which has managed to increase it's giving year on year!)



Amendment to last week's pew sheet - The amount collected by all the churches together through door to door collecting was not £4069 as stated but £4621, of which St. Michael's collected £926.

Thank you

Do look out for some interesting developments in the north aisle in the near future. Following discussions in the P.C.C. the Archdeacon has given permission for the removal of a number of pews for an experimental period. During that time we will be able to consider some imaginative options for the use of the space which will be generated.

FUTURE DIARY DATES – MAKE A NOTE OF THEM NOW

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| Thurs 5 th May 7.30pm | Sung Eucharist for Ascension Day |
| Fri 6 th -14 th May | 9 days of prayer between Ascension & Pentecost
Details will be in the May edition of Gateway, and
a summary in next week's pew sheet. |
| Thurs 12 th May 7.00 pm | Baptism Preparation meeting in church |
| Thurs 19 th May 8.00 am | Big Brekkie at St Michael's 1 st School
in aid of Christian Aid. All welcome! |



If you are a UK taxpayer, St Michael's can benefit to the tune of 25p for each £1.00 donated by Gift Aid. Please use the brown envelopes which you will find at the end of each pew. Thank you.

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