

7th April 2019

10.30am Holy Communion led by The Revd David Renshaw and The Revd Roger Walker

Please note that some may prefer to have a quiet time of prayer during the peace and sit rather than shaking hands

6pm BCP Evensong led by The Revd David Renshaw

There is prayer in the organ vestry every Sunday at 10 am for 15 minutes before the service and you are welcome to join at any time.

TODAY:

Epistle: Philippians 3: 4b – 14 read by Mary C Gospel: John 12: 1 - 8 read by Barbara H Intercessions led by Steve L

The Organ Voluntary following our service today will be:

Fancy in Gamut Flatt (ie G minor)
by Orlando Gibbons 1583-1625
Westminster Abbey.





Worship in April at Christ Church



11th 10.30am BCP Holy Communion with The Revd Alex Grubb

14th 10.30am Palm Sunday Morning Prayer with The Revd David Renshaw

18th 7pm Maundy Thursday Holy Communion with The Revd Nancy Ford

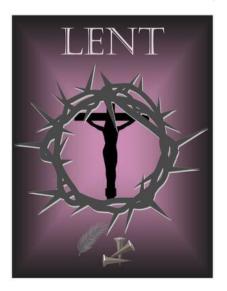
19th 2pm Good Friday Service with The Revd David Renshaw

21st 10.30am Easter Sunday Holy Communion with The Revd David Renshaw and Canon Muriel Pargeter

25th 10.30am BCP Holy Communion with The Revd David Renshaw

28th 10.30am Morning Prayer with The Revd David Renshaw

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Opening Hymn [109]

It is a thing most wonderful almost too wonderful to be that God's own Son should come from heaven and die to save a child like me.

And yet I know that it is true: he chose a poor and humble lot and wept and toiled, and mourned and died, for love of those who loved him not.

I cannot tell how he could love a child so weak and full of sin; his love must be most wonderful if he could die my love to win.

I sometimes think about the cross, and shut my eyes, and try to see the cruel nails, and crown of thorns, and Jesus crucified for me. But, even could I see him die, I could but see a little part of that great love which, like a fire, is always burning in his heart.

It is most wonderful to know his love for me so free and sure; but 'tis more wonderful to see my love for him so faint and poor.

And yet I want to love thee, Lord:
O light the flame within my heart,
and I will love thee more and more,
until I see thee as thou art.

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Worship Songs

All I once held dear, built my life upon, all this world reveres, and wars to own, all I once thought gain I have counted loss; spent and worthless now, compared to this.

Knowing you, Jesus, knowing you, there is no greater thing.
You're my all, you're the best, you're my joy, my righteousness, and I love you, Lord.

Now my heart's desire is to know you more, to be found in you and known as yours. To possess by faith what I could not earn, all-surpassing gift of righteousness. *Refrain*

Oh, to know the pow'r of your risen life, and to know you in your sufferings. To become like you in your death, my Lord, so with you to live and never die. *Refrain*

Song 2

Such love, pure as the whitest snow; such love weeps for the shame I know; such love, paying the debt I owe; O Jesus, such love.

Such love, stilling my restlessness; such love, filling my emptiness; such love, showing me holiness; O Jesus, such love.

Such love springs from eternity; such love, streaming through history; such love, fountain of life to me; O Jesus, such love.

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Offertory Hymn [609]

To God be the glory, great things he has done, So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice! O, come to the Father, through Jesus the Son, and give him the glory, great things he has done.

O, perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, To every believer the promise of God; The vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus forgiveness receives. *Refrain* Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; but purer, and higher, and greater will be our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice! O, come to the Father, through Jesus the Son, and give him the glory, great things he has done.

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Final Hymn [376]

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Saviour's blood? Died he for me, who caused his pain; For me, who him to death pursued? Amazing love! how can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

'Tis mystery all: the Immortal dies! Who can explore his strange design? In vain the first-born seraph tries to sound the depths of love divine. 'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore, let angel minds enquire no more.

He left his Father's throne above so free, so infinite his grace emptied himself of all but love, and bled for Adam's helpless race. 'Tis mercy all, immense and free, for, O my God, it found out me! Long my imprisoned spirit lay, fast bound in sin and nature's night: thine eye diffused a quickening ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light. my chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth and followed thee.

No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
Alive in him, my living Head,
and clothed in righteousness divine,
bold I approach the eternal throne
and claim the crown through Christ my own.

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Please stay for coffee and a chat after the service!



All those whom we know that are sick, lonely, grieving or troubled and church family members and residents in local nursing & care homes whom Muriel and the pastoral team visit.

Parish Magazine



Please continue to send us items to include – these can be recipes [family recipes, not those taken directly from any published book], clean, funny jokes, items of interest about people or places and poetry, or indeed, anything you think people will enjoy reading.

Many thanks! Janine and Ann P

Easter Lilies



Please give your orders for Easter Lilies to Sue C by speaking to her at church as soon as possible. To avoid disappointment, she will need to order them in advance. The cost will be £4 per Lily.

Thank you!



Open Church

Many thanks to all who come along to support our 'Open Church' days throughout the week, and especially to our fundraising Mission coffee mornings each Wednesday, when we welcome donations for the many missions we support.

Keeping in touch!

Christ Church operates a taxi service for those who find it difficult to get to church on a Sunday, or through the week. If you would like to use the service, please talk with Joan, Sylvia or Lorraine. You do not then have to pay the driver. This is not dependent in any way on ability to pay, this is to help people get to church, without worrying. If people feel they would like to contribute towards the cost of the fares, they merely place their donation in a Gift Aid envelope, marked 'Taxi'.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!



Tuesday 9th April, 12.30 to 1.30pm We welcome Martin Smith who will give a concert on the Euphonium.

Sunday 12th May, 3pm. A Christian Aid Service to mark the start of Christian Aid week led by the Revd Nancy Ford.

Tuesday 14th May, 12.30pm to 1.30pm. A local Ukelele Band will perform for us.

Tuesday 11th June, 12.30pm to 1.30pm

Our own organist, John Collins will give an Organ recital

Tuesday 18th June, 12.30pm to 1.30 pm We welcome a speaker from 'Cocaine Anonymous' who will speak about their work and the support they give as a group

Tuesday 17th September, 12.30pm to 1.30pm

We welcome back Caroline Nicholls – High Sheriff of West Sussex who will talk about her year in office

Tuesday 24th September, 12.30pm to 1.30pm. We welcome 'Four in a Bar', a barber shop quartet.

Men's Group - Thanks to all who have responded to the survey on what form the proposed Men's Group should take, your feedback is being collated. As Easter is rightly dominating the activities at this time, if you haven't already given us your opinions via the one-page questionnaire there is plenty of time to do so before we move to the next step. Any questions – please see me!

John H

LENT COURSE

This year's Lent course entitled 'Encountered – Meeting God in ordinary places' explores the ordinary places of the Easter story in which the extraordinary events of Jesus's life, death and resurrection occurred. Each week we will



look at a different place and so if you can't make it along each week you will still be able to slot into each one and make it part of your Lenten pilgrimage.

The Lent course finishes on **Tuesday**, **9**th **April from 11am to 12 noon** led by our Vicar, David.

LENT LUNCH



Saturday, 13th April 2019 from 12 noon to 1.30pm, serving homemade soup, filled roll and butter, fruit, followed by tea or coffee

Suggested donation of £5 for Christian Aid We look forward to your support!



LENT BOXES

This year, during Lent, we will be asking members of the church family to collect their spare change and donations in a Lent Box on behalf of Christian Aid. The boxes are somewhat larger than we have been given in previous years for the various charities we support, however, you can empty them to hand to the treasurer at any time; and we hope that you will wish to Gift Aid your donations if you are a UK tax payer. To do this, please just include with your gift, a gift aid envelope, to be found in any of the pews. The boxes can be kept, and if you feel you would like to continue using them after Lent to put spare change in to go to Christian Aid throughout the year, the treasurer will be happy to accept your gift at any time. Just mark the envelope you place your gift in 'for Christian Aid', or other mission supported by the church.

Thank you!





Peter and Mary have asked for our prayers this month for **Sierra Leone**. Please pray for the homeless as a result of the serious mud-slide in 2017; and that the authorities respond to the needs of the victims and provide vital support to rebuild their communities. May we give thanks for the provision of audio bibles in the survivor camps and the message of hope and restoration the Bible Society team brings.

TURNING TIDES

[Formerly Worthing Churches Homeless Projects]

There has been much in the news media about help for the homeless in society that don't have the comforts that we enjoy and maybe we take a bit for granted. Homeless people feel excluded from society, are often depressed, frightened, in danger at night, and hungry and thirsty.

TURNING TIDES can change all that, but they need help from us in just small ways.

TURNING TIDES is currently losing a lot of government funding. There have been funding changes to housing benefit and funds have been cut by county council. There is a basket and a new list of practical donations that they badly need at present, at the back of the church: - including toiletries, cleaning products, food, sweets, nuts, and crisps. The full list can be found at the back of the church.

For more information, please ask *Judie J Thank you!!*

Update on the West Porch refurbishment

The decoration of the walls in the West Porch Tower Base room [as you enter the main entrance from Grafton Road] has been approved. This follows on from the work done on the doors to make them draught proof. The decoration of the walls is taking place now, and so the whole entrance is 'sheeted' off to avoid any spread of dust etc. It is not possible to enter via this door for the duration of the work so currently we are entering via the North [disabled] door for this short time. This first stage will be completed for Easter. [at the latest on 16th April] Then, all the wood panelling in the Tower Base room and porch will be from **Wednesday 24th April to Friday 10th May** when the area will again be cordoned off.

APCM & ELECTORAL ROLL - IMPORTANT INFORMATION!

This year, before the **Annual Parochial Church meeting**, to be held on **28**th **April 2019** following the morning service, we needed to renew the Electoral Roll for the parish. The applications to be included on the new roll will **close on 13**th **April**, so this Sunday is the last chance to complete your form.

We now should display the list for all to see, from 14th April to the date of the APCM, however, in line with GDPR, we would like to protect your personal details and so please be assured we will not be displaying the list. If you are unsure if you are included on the list, please see Ken Hobbs.

Please also give some prayerful thought as to what role you might like to be nominated for, or who you would like to nominate. This might be Churchwarden or PCC member. In this parish we elect members annually: The relevant forms are available on the table by the kitchen servery hatch and must be completed by the APCM.



From your Parish Treasurer:

You will have been issued with the Parish Annual Report and Accounts along with the 2018 Minutes of the Annual Parish Church Meeting [APCM]. Could I ask if you have any queries relating to the Financial Report, please seek me out during this time <u>before</u> our APCM and I will endeavour to answer your query. Thank you.

Ken

6 PM 1662 BCP EVENSONG – SERVICE ORDER

Conducted by The Revd David Renshaw

Hymn 598 There's a wideness in God's mercy

Confession etc. (see booklet)

Responses

Psalm 35 [1 - 9] (see pointed sheet)

1st Reading: 2 Chronicles 35: 1 - 6 Reader: Dorothy F

Canticle – Magnificat (see pointed sheet)

2nd Reading: Luke 22: 1 - 13 Reader: Mary C

Canticle – Nunc Dimittis (see pointed sheet)

Creed, Responses, Collects (see booklet)

Hymn 127 When I survey the wondrous cross

Prayers led by John B

Hymn 421 Father of heaven whose love profound

Sermon

Offertory Hymn 557 Praise to the holiest in the height

Blessing

Organ Voluntary

PLEASE STAY FOR COFFEE OR TEA AND A CHAT AFTERWARDS