



# St Anne's Church, Chingford

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## W O R S H I P ⊕

**27<sup>th</sup> April 2025 – Easter 2**

**All-Age Eucharist - 10.00**

**Welcomers:** Velma Davis, Rosalind Tatam

**Server:** Jenny Scotchmer

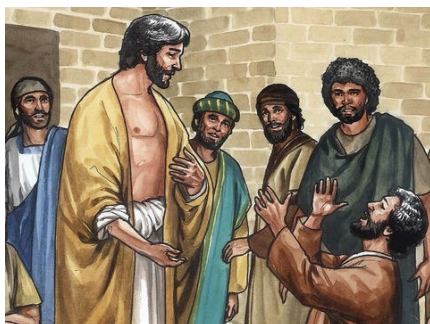
**Chalice:** Julie Adesina. Eira Endersbee

**Lessons:** Erika Gloyn

**Preacher:** Mick Scotchmer

**Celebrant:** Mick Scotchmer

**Music:** Bill Gloyn



**"A world full of  
hope and  
kindness is a  
more beautiful  
world,"**

Pope Francis

**HYMN** 761 This joyful Eastertide

### **GATHERING**

In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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

**This week**



Today		12.30	<b>No Simple Lunch</b>
		18.00	Games Evening
Friday	2 <sup>nd</sup> May	10.00	Eucharist
Sunday	4 <sup>th</sup> May	10.00	Parish Eucharist

## PRAYER OF PREPARATION

**Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS

Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord,  
we come to you in sorrow for our sins,  
and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

We have lived by our own strength,  
and not by the power of your resurrection.  
In your mercy, forgive us.

**Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived by the light of our own eyes,  
as faithless and not believing.  
In your mercy, forgive us.

**Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived for this world alone,  
and doubted our home in heaven.  
In your mercy, forgive us.

**Lord, hear us and help us.**

May almighty God,  
who sent his Son into the world to save sinners,  
bring you his pardon and peace, now and for ever.  
Thanks be to God. **Amen.**

## COLLECT

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.

## GLORIA

Tune: St Helen 453

**Glory be to God in heaven, peace on earth to Humankind.  
Father, heavenly King, Creator, God of power undefined,  
praise and honour, thanks we offer, worship you with heart and mind.  
Jesus Christ, our Saviour, only Son of God by faith we know  
Lamb of God, the world's Redeemer, love and mercy to us show;  
seated at the Father's right hand, intercede for us below.  
You alone, O Lord, are holy, Jesus Christ, you are Most High  
with the Father and the Spirit; Trinity, to you we cry:  
'Alleluia, alleluia!' - you, O God, we glorify.**

*Please sit*

## FIRST READING

Acts 5.27-32

<sup>27</sup>When the temple police had brought the apostles, they made them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, <sup>28</sup>'We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us.'  
<sup>29</sup>But Peter and the apostles answered, 'We must obey God rather than any human authority. <sup>30</sup>The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. <sup>31</sup>God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins.  
<sup>32</sup>And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.'

This is the word of the Lord Alleluia, Alleluia.

All      **Thanks be to God Alleluia, Alleluia.**

**HYMN** 798     We have a gospel to proclaim

**GOSPEL**

*John 20.19-31*

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John Alleluia, Alleluia.

**Glory to you, O Lord Alleluia, Alleluia.**

<sup>19</sup>When it was evening on the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

<sup>24</sup>But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

<sup>26</sup>A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup>But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

This is the Gospel of the Lord Alleluia, Alleluia.

**Praise to you, O Christ Alleluia, Alleluia.**

*Please sit*

**REFLECTION**

**HYMN** 63     Be still my soul

## PRAYER OF FAITH

Let us declare our faith in God.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
**maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

**God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,**

begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

**Through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.**

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
**he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

**the Lord, the giver of life,**

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

**With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.**

He has spoken through the prophets.

**We believe in one holy, catholic and apostolic Church.**

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## INTERCESSIONS

*Please sit or kneel*

In joy and hope let us pray to the Father.

That our risen Saviour may fill us with the joy of his  
glorious and life-giving resurrection

we pray to the Father.

**Hear our prayer.**

That isolated and persecuted churches  
may find fresh strength in the good news of Easter  
we pray to the Father.

**Hear our prayer.**

That God may grant us humility  
to be subject to one another in Christian love  
we pray to the Father.

**Hear our prayer.**

That he may provide for those who lack food, work or shelter  
we pray to the Father.

**Hear our prayer.**

That by his power war and famine may cease through all the world  
we pray to the Father.

**Hear our prayer.**

That he may reveal the light of his presence to the sick,  
the weak and the dying,  
to comfort and strengthen them  
we pray to the Father.

**Hear our prayer.**

That, according to his promises,  
all who have died in the faith of the resurrection  
may be raised on the last day  
we pray to the Father.

**Hear our prayer.**

That he may send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon his people,  
so that we may bear faithful witness to his resurrection,  
we pray to the Father.

**Hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father,  
you have delivered us from the power of darkness  
and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:  
grant that, as his death has recalled us to life,  
so his continual presence in us may raise us to eternal joy;  
through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **SIGN OF PEACE**

*All stand*

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples  
and said, 'Peace be with you.'

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

*All are invited to greet and shake hands with their neighbour.*

## **The Liturgy of the Eucharist**

**HYMN** 494 Love's redeeming work is done

*During this hymn, the gifts are brought to the table*

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; you bring forth bread from the earth.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; you create the fruit of the vine.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

*The celebrant washes his hands saying quietly;*

Lord we ask you to receive us and be pleased with the  
sacrifice we offer you with humble and contrite hearts.

Lord wash away our iniquities and cleanse us from our sins.

The Lord is here

**His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Why is it right to give thanks and praise?

**Listen, and we will hear.**

Lord of all life,

you created the universe,

where all living things reflect your glory.

You give us this great and beautiful earth,

to discover and to cherish.

You give us sun and moon and star-lit sky,  
everything that gives us light,  
light for our eyes, our hearts, our minds.

You give us the fish in the sea,  
the birds of the air,  
and every plant and tree;  
the life that sleeps in the winter earth,  
and awakens again in the spring.

You give us friends and families  
busy streets for young and old,  
the life of an earthly city  
fulfilled in your city to come.

You made us all,  
each wonderfully different,  
to join with the angels  
and sing your praise:

**Holy, most holy, all holy the Lord,  
in power and wisdom forever adored.  
The earth and the heavens are full of your love;  
our joyful hosannas re-echo above.**

Tune: Slane 66

**Blessed, most blessed, all blessed is he  
whose life makes us whole, and whose death sets us free:  
who comes in the name of the Father of light,  
let endless hosannas resound in the height.**

We thank you, loving Father,  
because, when we turned away,  
you sent Jesus, your Son.

He gave his life for us on the cross  
and shows us the way to live.

Send your Holy Spirit  
that these gifts of bread and wine  
may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

Why do we share this bread and wine?

**Listen, and we will hear.**



On the night before he died,  
when darkness had fallen,  
Jesus took bread.  
He gave thanks, broke it,  
and shared it with his disciples, saying:  
'This is my body, given for you.  
Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine,  
gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying:  
'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many,  
for the forgiveness of sins.'

So Father, with this bread and this cup  
we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life.

As you feed us with these gifts,  
send your Holy Spirit,  
and change us more and more  
to be like Jesus our Saviour.

How do we follow Jesus Christ?

**Listen, and we will hear.**

Help us, Father, to love one another,  
as we look forward to that day  
when suffering is ended,  
and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.

And now with St Anne, St Andrew, St Edmund and all your saints  
we give you glory,  
through Jesus Christ,  
in the strength of the Spirit,  
today and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please sit.*

And now, as Jesus taught us so we pray:

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name.  
Your Kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom,  
the power and the glory are yours.  
Now and for ever. Amen.**

**We break this bread to share in the body of Christ  
Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.**

**O Lamb of God, come cleanse our hearts  
and take our sin away.**

**Tune: Repton 152**

**O Lamb of God, your grace impart,  
and let our guilty fear depart,  
have mercy, Lord, we pray,  
have mercy, Lord we pray.**

**O Lamb of God, our lives restore,  
our guilty souls release.  
Into our lives your Spirit pour  
and let us live for evermore  
in perfect heav'nly peace,  
in perfect heav'nly peace.**

**These are the gifts of God for the people of God; our Lord is coming to us in  
bread and wine.**

## **DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

***Visitors: If you normally receive communion in your own church then you are  
welcome to receive the sacrament here. If you would prefer to receive a  
blessing. Please keep your hands down.***

## **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. **Amen**

**Almighty God,**  
**we thank you for feeding us**  
**With the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.**  
**Through him we offer you our souls and bodies**  
**to be a living sacrifice.**  
**Send us out**  
**in the power of your Spirit**  
**to live and work**  
**to your praise and glory. Amen.**

## **NOTICES**

### **FINAL BLESSING**

The God of peace,  
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,  
that great shepherd of the sheep,  
through the blood of the eternal covenant,  
make you perfect in every good work to do his will,  
working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### **HYMN 777 To God be the glory!**

The music this week is taken from the Classic FM Hall of Fame, 300 favourite pieces chosen by some 90,000 listeners and played over Easter weekend. The ranking is shown in brackets. More to follow on future Sundays.

Before the service - J S Bach - Air on a G string (294); Handel - Largo (230); Mendelssohn - Andante from violin concerto (63); Grieg - Morning from Peer Gynt (56)

The procession after the Gospel - Mozart - March of the Priests from The Magic Flute (180)

During the Peace - Tchaikovsky - Slavic chant for the Eastern Orthodox Troparion of the Holy Cross - "O Lord, Save Thy People" - from the opening of 1812 Overture (41)

Communion - Mozart - Ave Verum Corpus (109) *dedicated to the memory of Pope Francis*

Outgoing voluntary - Wagner - Pilgrims Chorus from Tannhauser (68)

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We do not take a collection during the service at St. Anne's as we have a Parish Giving scheme. However if you wish to make a contribution you will find a plate at the back of church and a card reader if you prefer to donate in that way. If you would like to join the **Parish Giving** scheme please speak to Lindsey Archer or the church wardens. Also, scanning this QR code will provide information about the scheme and how you can make contributions if you wish.



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**Ukraine and Eat or Heat** - We are still collecting for both at the back of the church—children, toddler's and baby items are still very much needed as the war takes its toll on the people of Ukraine. As are long lasting food products and hygiene products for Eat or Heat.

W

**Games Evening TODAY from 6pm to 10pm** There's no charge for the evening, but please bring something for the Bring and Share supper table and anything you wish to drink. There's a sign-up list at the back of church

**Easy Grow Vegetables-** Anthony Sullivan has vegetable plants available. No charge but a donation to the coffee fund is requested. Please see Anthony.

**Table Top Sale Saturday 3 May 10-11.30.** The next sale will also be the start of our fundraising for Christian Aid Week. Please sign the list at the back of church if you would like to take a table or can help in other ways. Homemade cakes to sell very welcome!

S

**Synagogue exchange.** As part of our year of Spirituality we have been invited by Rabbi Richard to the Woodford reformed and progressive Synagogue to worship with them on Friday 9th May and the Synagogue will come to us on Sunday 25th May. There will be a Eucharist on that Sunday at 8.30 am. As the main service will not be a communion service.

**Quiz Night 7th June**—a joint event with the Synagogue! Keep in the diary.

### FOR OUR PRAYERS:

We remember in prayer each day all those both known and unknown to us who are suffering in mind, body and spirit, for those who have care of them, for all who are living with difficulties and trouble at this time and for all who will enter eternity this week.

### **Anniversaries for April.**

1st Gregory Canning, 6th Mabel Garrett, 7th Peggy Eley, 13th Freddie Banks, Michael Taylor, 20th Gwen Coombs, 24th Barbara Shepard, 28th Alice Rolfe.

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them, may they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen*