



The United Benefice of Cudham and Downe

To provide safe as well as prayerful environments in our churches, social distancing and covid-19 measures will be in place, space will be limited in our services and face coverings (unless exempt) will need to be worn. If you are planning to come to any of our services please email admin@pcd.org.uk or leave a message on the church answerphone – 01959 571515.



Sunday 2nd May **Fifth Sunday of Easter**

10.00am Downe **Holy Communion**

Acts 8:26-40 (pg 1101)

John 15:1-8 (pg 1083)

Rach to lead, John to preach

11.00am Cudham **Open-air Service of All-Age Worship** in churchyard (nearest to car park). John 15:1-8 (pg 1083)
Rach to lead. Although we are outside at Cudham, we ask you to adhere to social distancing and the use of hand sanitisers, available before and after the service and when collecting your order of service and notice sheet. Please bring your own coffee/tea so we can share in fellowship after the service, and a chair to sit on – and a rug if cold! We're also looking forward to singing, as this is permitted outdoors. Parents – please ensure children are supervised by you at all times.

Cudham's service will be livestreamed on facebook and you can also watch it later www.youtube.com/c/PCDChurches
www.facebook.com/PCDChurches

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life:
give us compassion and courage
to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.

Tuesday 4th May 10am Downe Holy Communion Service –
As the registration of marriages is changing this month and paperwork will be processed electronically from now on, John will be including a short form of service today to mark the closing of the marriage registers, something we've been recording since 1538.

Sunday 9th May Sixth Sunday of Easter

10.00am Downe Morning Worship
Acts 10:44-48, John 15:9-17

11.00am Cudham Holy Communion with Sunday Club
Acts 10:44-48, John 15:9-17

John to lead and preach at both services – Rach is at St Mary Cray as their vicar Jessie is ill – please pray for her.

***You are invited to join us for daily prayer this week:
details and zoom links are as follows –***

Morning Prayer 9.15am Tuesday-Friday

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87228965797?pwd=M1c1OTUzTFNsY3lxeW94Q25MV2xRdz09> Meeting ID: 872 2896 5797

Passcode: 644632

Evening Prayer 5.00pm Tuesday-Friday

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89851482423?pwd=Y3c5ZmJyUVpEQzN5bDUvV2FGRU53Zz09> Meeting ID: 898 5148 2423

Passcode: 458828

Cudham and Downe Electoral Rolls – revisions of the rolls are taking place in readiness for our Annual Meetings on 25th May. If you are baptised and live in the parish of Cudham/Downe or regularly attend worship in person or online and are not on the electoral roll we would like to encourage you to join. It is an important way of confirming your commitment to our churches, to participate in the governance of the church and to vote at the Annual Meeting. Please ask Barbara (Cudham) or Zoe (Downe) for an application form. A copy of our privacy notice, which details how your data is held by us in keeping with General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR), is also available and displayed on our notice boards and on our website www.pcd.org.uk

While congregational singing in church is still not allowed, small choirs can once again sing at services. If you'd like to be part of a small singing group for any of our services, please speak to John.

Caring Concerns Course - would you like to be a better neighbour? We invite you to come and learn more about taking the love of God into the lives of people living in our villages through your presence and your listening. This five week course on Christian pastoral care will be on Wednesdays 10am–12 noon from 19th May at Cudham Church. For more details please contact - Chris Isbell email cisbell81@yahoo.com or Rach email vicarintraining@yahoo.com

Living in Love and Faith webinar series from the Diocesan Evangelical Fellowship

Spring-Summer 2021. Everyone welcome - church leaders and members. All Sessions take place on Wednesdays 1pm-2pm with the next on 19th May - How we can help same-sex-attracted Christians to flourish: Speaker - Dr Sean Doherty

For more details and the Zoom link contact Tim Edwards via rochesterdef@gmail.com or www.rochesterdef.org.uk

Meditation Group – Christian Meditation on May 6th will be held in St Mary's once again, all being well. It will begin at 10am. If you are happy to come back into church, please let Hilary know by email - hilaryhones@hotmail.com All Covid rules such as wearing a mask, social distancing and not chatting until we are outside in the churchyard after meditation will be observed. The group follow the method taught by John Main, an English Benedictine monk. See <https://www.christianmeditation.org.uk/>

Homegroup – will meet on Wednesday 5th May at 8pm looking at the 'I am' statements of Jesus in John's Gospel – Zoom link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84785498167?pwd=ano3bWJvNFY2U3pveDZYU0lHTTEvdz09>

Meeting ID: 847 8549 8167 Passcode: 972034

PRAYER

Prayer chain – please contact Pat Morbin if you have any prayer needs or requests and if you would like to be part of the prayer chain. Email office@pcd.org.uk or tel 07504827929 or 01959540012 and these will be passed on to Pat, all in confidence.

***‘Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you’
1 Peter 5:7***

Our prayers for one another and our families in our congregations, as well as our parishioners in both parishes. This week can we pray for Thelma Marquis (Cudham) and Alexandra Sedighi (Downe). John and Rach are contacting those we are specially praying for each week. Any prayer requests will be prayed for with permission at Morning and Evening prayer. Please also pray for our residents in the following streets – Milking Lane (Downe) and Single Street (Cudham), and those still affected by Covid in any way.

Vicar: Rev John Musson, tel 01959 540012, mobile 07504827929 email vicar@pcd.org.uk Normal Day off Saturday

Curate: Rev Rachel Archer, tel 01959 700097 or 07305724870 Email Rachel.vicarintraining@yahoo.com Day off Monday

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