

St George's Church, Benenden

Our Mission: "To know and love Jesus and make his love known to all"

Our Worship: Sunday 14th April The Third Sunday of Easter

Collect: Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Sunday 14th April: The Third Sunday of Easter

Readings: Acts 3.12-19, Luke 24.36b-48

8 am **1662 BCP HOLY COMMUNION**
led by Revd David Commander

10 am **MORNING WORSHIP**
led by Vicki Young

Hymns: 486 Christ is the King!
 769 Rejoice! The Lord is King
 209 Love's redeeming work is done
 218 Thine be the glory

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 15 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
Tuesday 16 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church led by Revd David Commander
	7.30 - 9 pm	Benenden Home Group at David & Julia Collard's
Wednesday 17 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10 – 11.30 am	Coffee Morning at Benenden Memorial Hall
	7.30 – 9 pm	Bellringing Practice at St George's
	7 pm	20:20 Project progress meeting
Thursday 18 th	10 – 11.30 am	Community Choir at St George's
	7 pm	Choir Practice
Friday 19 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	9 – 11 am	Cakes & Chaos Toddler Group at St George's
	7.30 – 9 pm	Bellringing: Quarter Peal Attempt

Sunday Next: 21st April: The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Readings: Acts 4.5-12, John 10.11-18

8 am **HOLY COMMUNION**
led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie

10 am **SUNG EUCHARIST**
led by Revd David Commander

1.30 pm **Interment of t/l Jean Paige at St George's**

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Acts 3.12-19

¹²When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. ¹⁷ 'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out,

Luke 24.36b-48

Jesus Appears to His Disciples

³⁶ While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴ Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things.

St George's Annual Church Parochial Meeting

7.30pm on Monday 22nd April 2024

Memorial Hall, Benenden

Coffee and biscuits will be served before the meeting.

The various reports have been published as a booklet and are available for you to collect from church. The meeting will also include, as usual, the election of Churchwardens and PCC members for the coming year. If you would like more details of the work of any of these, please ask me or the current churchwardens. Julia Collard

*The Annual General Meeting of the
Friends of St George's*

is on Monday 29th April at 7pm in the church.

*The meeting will be followed by refreshments and a time to socialise,
then at 7.30pm John Bailey, our architect, will give an illustrated talk on the
development of St George's, both past and future.*

Change of Time: Tuesday Home Group meetings in Benenden: Please note our Tuesday meetings will now commence at 7.30 pm. and we aim to close at 9 pm. *There will no meeting on April 30th due the service with the Bishop at Marden.*

Summer Teas in St George's Church: Following the success of this initiative last year we would like to do it again this summer. It was lovely to be able to offer refreshments to visitors in the Sunday afternoons throughout summer and to catch up with one another too.

If you would like to help with this, either by making cakes or actually being there on the day and serving our guests then please contact me to have a chat.

We are looking to do this each Sunday from July 7th – August 25th. Between 2 and 4pm.

There will always be 2 people each week and of course the more people who sign up the better.

If you would like to help but know of dates within this time frame that you can't do, then please indicate when you contact me...it helps with producing rotas.

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Confirmation



There is a Confirmation Service, led by Bishop Rose Hudson-Wilkin, being held in the Weald Deanery. This is on the afternoon of Sunday 23rd June, at a church in the Deanery.

It would be lovely to have some candidates from our Benefice to be confirmed at the service.

The Confirmation service is an opportunity to make a public declaration - as an adult, teenager or child - for yourself to follow Christ and his teachings in your life. If you, or a member of your family, would like to be confirmed, please let me know; we will organise an appropriate form of Confirmation preparation.

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Bereavement Support:
Saturday 18th May 10am - 1pm
at Sandhurst Mission Church, Back Road TN18 5JU

Coming to terms with the loss of a loved one can be one of the hardest things we have to do. When someone has died, while we may feel our loved one is at peace, it can still leave us with hugely mixed emotions.

We are offering a morning to explore how grief can affect us, acknowledging that it is a unique experience for all. We will share some of the models of grief that we may be able to identify with and so know we are not alone or out of kilter with our feelings. It will also be a safe space to come to talk and share what has been going on for you. Talking to others who have been through similar experiences can be helpful, or just knowing that someone is there to listen.

For more information and to book this free workshop please contact Claire Roberts on 07872 171535 or email claireecr57@yahoo.com

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