#### The Collect

Almighty God,

who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us
the gate of everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going before us
you put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help
we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Psalm 148

(BCP)

- **1** O praise the Lord of heaven : praise him in the height.
- 2 Praise him, all ye angels of his : praise him, all his host.
- **3** Praise him, sun and moon : praise him, all ye stars and light.
- 4 Praise him, all ye heavens : and ye waters that are above the heavens.
- **5** Let them praise the Name of the Lord : for he spake the word and they were made; he commanded, and they were created.
- **6** He hath made them fast for ever and ever : he hath given them a law which shall not be broken.
- 7 Praise the Lord upon earth : ye dragons, and all deeps;
- 8 Fire and hail, snow and vapours : wind and storm, fulfilling his word;
- 9 Mountains and all hills : fruitful trees and all cedars;
- 10 Beasts and all cattle : worms and feathered fowls;
- 11 Kings of the earth and all people : princes and all judges of the world;
- **12** Young men and maidens, old men and children, praise the Name of the Lord : for his Name only is excellent, and his praise above heaven and earth.
- **13** He shall exalt the horn of his people, all his saints shall praise him : even the children of Israel, even the people that serveth him.

#### Acts 11.1-18

#### **New Testament readings**

The apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. <sup>2</sup>So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, <sup>3</sup>saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' <sup>4</sup>Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, <sup>5</sup>'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. <sup>6</sup>As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. <sup>7</sup>I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." <sup>8</sup>But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." <sup>9</sup>But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." <sup>10</sup>This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. <sup>11</sup>At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. <sup>12</sup>The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. <sup>13</sup>He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; <sup>14</sup>he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." <sup>15</sup>And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup>And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." <sup>17</sup>If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' <sup>18</sup>When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

#### Revelation 21.1–6

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; <sup>4</sup>he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.' <sup>5</sup>And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' <sup>6</sup>Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.'

## John 13.31-35

During the supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." <sup>34</sup>I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

# Postcommunion Collect

Eternal God. whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen.



# 15 May 2022 **Fifth Sunday of Easter**

# Welcome to our Eucharist

Celebrant & Preacher	Fr Peter Holmes	
Reader	Anne Touchin	
Intercessor	Elaine Woodhead	
Organist	Andrew Forbes	
Setting	Thorne, Mass of St Thomas	
Entrance hymn	207	Jesus lives! thy terrors now
Reading (NT)	Acts 11.1–18	
Gradual hymn	193	All heaven declares
The Gospel	John 13.31–35	
Offertory hymn	200i (omit *) Christ the Lord is risen again	
Recessional hymn	216	The day of resurrection
<b>Communion anthem</b> Tallis, <i>If ye love me</i> If ye love me, keep my commandements, and I will pray the Father and he shall give you		

another Comforter, even the Spirit of truth. John 14.15-17

# Please remember in our prayers

The sick: Jane Downs, Mary McWhinnie, Gail Nichols, David Price, Ian Cripps, Kathleen Watts, Adrian Simper, Sybil Cripps Daniels, Fran Britnell, Anthony Morse, Denise Foster

The departed: Clive and Elaine Jones, Sandra Kneale, Julia Culshaw

Year's mind: Joe Roberts, Brian Robertson, Roger Goodman, Rex Peden, Terry Bright, Tony Tydeman, Dorothy Pettigrew, Walter Scott

# NOTICES

While our rector, Canon Rachel, is unavailable, please contact Jenny at uppinghamchurchoffice@gmail.com for any administrative query or our curate Debbie at curateofuppingham@gmail.com for any pastoral issue. Thank you.

**Lunchtime Concert** This week's concert is a piano recital of music by Beethoven and Debussy.

**Annual Parish Meeting** This will take place on Monday **30 May** at 7 pm in church. There are two vacancies on the PCC and one on the Deanery Synod; please let Jenny know if you would like to be nominated for any of these.

**Christian Aid Week** In support of Christian Aid Week (15 to 21 May), envelopes are available for our special collection to support the world's poorest. You can also donate via our Card Reader in church or find the e-envelope on our Facebook page (Uppingham Parish Church). There will also be a Pudding Party at 6 pm this Saturday **14 May** in Uppingham Methodist Church, organised by Churches Together. Come and enjoy a taste of each pudding and vote for your favourite. £5 per adult.

**Bell Ringers** *From Sue Webster* The annual bell ringers' cake and plant stall returns on Saturday **28 May** from 8.30 am to 12 noon in the market place. Offers of cakes for sale will be greatly appreciated.

Funeral The funeral of Sandra Kneale will take place on Thursday 26 May at 2.30 pm.

**Cake Stall** There will be another chance to stock up on your cake supplies on **28 May** at Oakham Market on behalf of Cancer Support for Rutland. Christobel Price would welcome gifts of cakes for sale at 'Beau Cadeau', Church Lane, Bisbrooke by 27 May; or please phone 823202 and Christobel will collect. Please ensure all labels carry NUT, EGGS, DAIRY & WHEAT (gluten) warnings.

**'Trumpet Journey'** The lunchtime concert in church on Wednesday **1 June** (at the usual time of 1.20 pm) will feature Andy Harris (trumpets) and Fergus Black (piano) in a wide-ranging programme, from Padre Martini in 18th-century Bologna via the Steppes to Orkney and Spain.

**Come Rejoice! Services** Our two services this month are on successive days, as 21 and 22 May are, respectively, the third Saturday and the fourth Sunday; so there will be an afternoon activity service on **21 May** at 4 pm, followed on Sunday by the usual Come Rejoice! service at 10.45 am.

**Choral Evensong** will be sung next Sunday evening **22 May** at 6 pm, including music from the Platinum Jubilee collection *In Our Service*.

**Singers** of all ages and abilities are welcome to join in our learning of the Platinum Jubilee song 'Rise Up and Serve' in the Church Hall on Tuesdays 3.30 pm and 8 pm. Choose the time that suits you and come and join in. We will be singing this at the end of the Jubilee weekend on Tod's Piece at 6 pm on Sunday **5 June**.