

Welcome to St Mark's Church, Newnham



Sunday, 19th March 2023

Fourth Sunday of Lent/Mothering Sunday

Today's services

8am Communion (BCP)

Service Leader and Preacher: The Revd Rachel Rosborough and Will Alvarez

9.30am Communion with Junior Church

Service Leader & Preacher: The Revd Bethan Rodden, The Revd Rachel Rosborough and Alison Rose

Helpful information

Practicalities

There is a fully accessible toilet as well as baby-changing facilities in the Community Centre across the car park behind the church.

Communion

All bread or wafers used are gluten-free. We have now reintroduced the shared chalice but recognise that not everyone is ready to take it. Please be assured it is perfectly valid to receive Communion in one kind only. Please take the wafer in your hand. The Church of England advises against intinction (dipping).

Collection

We are not taking an offering during our services at this time, but there is a collection plate at the back of the church along with a giving station where you are able to donate via card payment. You can also give via our website.

Refreshments

Refreshments are served in the Community Centre after the 9.30am service – a chance to talk and get to know one another.

Visit us online at: <https://stmarksnewnham.org> where you can sign up for our weekly email.

Hymns: 497, Lord of the Church

537, For the Beauty of the Earth

394, Tell Out My Soul

Collect: God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; 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.

Exodus 2:1-10

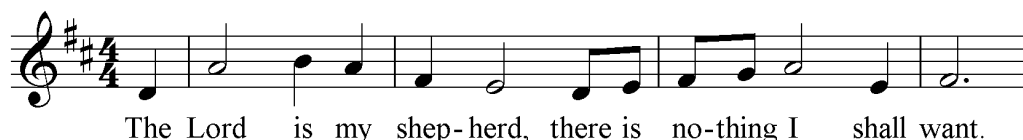
Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. ² The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. ³ When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. ⁴ His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

⁵ The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. ⁶ When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. ⁷ Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?' ⁸ Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother. ⁹ Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. ¹⁰ When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because', she said, 'I drew him out of the water.'

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

The choir will sing Psalm 23, please join in with the sung response:



Geoff Nobes

All: The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd;

therefore can I lack nothing.

He makes me lie down in green pastures

and leads me beside still waters.

He shall refresh my soul

and guide me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

All: The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil;

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

All: The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.

You spread a table before me

in the presence of those who trouble me;

you have anointed my head with oil

and my cup shall be full.

All: The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.

Surely goodness and loving mercy shall follow me

all the days of my life,

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

All: The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.

John 19:25b-27

And that is what the soldiers did.

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. ²⁶ When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' ²⁷ Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

Reader: This is the gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

NOTICES

LILIES FOR EASTER - If you would like to remember someone by donating a lily for Easter, please sign the list in the narthex. Lilies will cost £3.00 each and you can either give the money to Sue Payne or pop it into the box at the back of the church.

LENT LUNCHESES – Thank you to those hosting lunches through Lent. Details can be found in Seek or email the administrator for a list.

THE BIBLE IN COLOUR - The New Testament was originally written in Greek. Have you ever wondered what light the Greek text could shed on your Bible's translation? For six weeks after Easter, I will be leading a group that will explore the differences in the translations we have, offering insights from the Greek and inviting your thoughts and questions about selected texts.

We will meet weekly at St Mark's for an hour beginning on Wednesday 19th April at 3:30pm. Attendance at every session is not required, no prior knowledge of Greek nor any preparation is needed, just bring your Bible and curiosity! If you're interested in trying this out, please email me (michaelangelot99@gmail.com) so that I can judge the size of the group and arrange the best meeting place at St Mark's.

ST. MARK'S LIBRARY - Please do have a look at the library in the foyer of the Community Centre. There is a range of Christian books available to borrow. Thank you to Mike Thompson for cataloguing them (details can be found on our website). We would love it if some of the books could be reviewed with reviews going in Seek so perhaps you might like to write a short review (around 300 words max.).

The Week Ahead

Monday 20th March

5pm, Evening Prayer for Lent led by The Revd Rachel Rosborough

Tuesday, 21st March

11am, Holy Communion (BCP) led by The Revd Rachel Rosborough

Sunday, 26th March

8am, Holy Communion (BCP) led by The Revd Andrew Hurst

9.30am, Holy Communion with Junior Church

Service Leaders: The Revd Bethan Rodden, The Revd Andrew Hurst and Richard Bauckham

Useful contacts

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