# New Testament Reading Acts 10. 44-48

While Peter was speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

# New Testament Reading 1 John 5. 1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

# Gospel Reading John 15. 9-17

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.'

#### News

The May Magazine is available at the back of church. If you know anyone who is unable to access previous issues and would like a copy we can print them at the church office. If any of our distributors are unable to collect their issues, let me know and I will pop them round. Let me know if you have stories, photographs or articles for future issues. Thank you. Christine 889617.

Christian Aid Week 10-16 May: There is no house to house collection here this year, but a street collection on 13/14/15 May (observing social distance). Offers of help welcomed (to Elizabeth Dobson, 881479 or emddh7@hotmail.com). Donations can be made via a St Martin's e-envelope at:

https://envelope.christianaid.org.uk/envelope/st-martins-dorking

**Change to St Martin's APCM** - this will now take place earlier on Sunday 23rd May in church after the 10am service.

Electronic Donation Point in church. To help keep our lovely church open, a Sum-Up Donation machine is available at the back of church for contactless donations by card. Please follow instructions on the sheet at the back of church and fill out a green GiftAid donation envelope to accompany your donation if you are eligible. Your support is appreciated, thank you.

Face coverings in a place of worship continue to be required (unless exempt). Thank you for your understanding.

The Christian Centre. We are looking forward to welcoming you back as soon as we are able to. We continue to offer takeaway lunches Monday-Friday 12-1pm. From 17 May we can re-open our café, and from 21 June we hope to be fully open with all activities resumed. The Community Fridge continues to run from 10am - 11.30am Mon-Fri. The Dorking Area foodbank is open Tuesdays 4.45-5.45pm and Thursdays 2.30-3.30pm with Covid19 safety measures in place. Anyone using the centre must adhere to social distance rules. Please note, these dates and regulations are subject to review by Government. We would ask that you do not park in the church car park as this is for church use or for hirers to drop equipment only. For more information contact the Centre on 886830 9am-2pm or email: centremanager@dorkingchristiancentre.org.uk

**Dorking Foodbank:** Donation points in supermarkets and Christian Centre remain in place. This week we particularly need donations of the following items: 1L Cartons of Fruit Juice, Packets of Biscuits, 1L UHT Long Life Milk, Boxes of Cereal, 4 Pack Toilet Rolls.

**Traidcraft.** I am happy to take orders and deliver in Dorking. Elizabeth - 881479, emddh7@hotmail.com

News and Notices for the next issue of the Weekly News Sheet need to be submitted by the close of business on Wednesday. Please email:

**stmartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com** or call 884229. Messages are picked up regularly.

**Being corporate at a distance.** Whether you have a radio or the latest smartphone, find something for you:

**Bishop Jo** preaches on the seeming paradox of Jesus' words in John 15:16, 'You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last' - Website Link

<u>Your 9am Daily Prayer</u> Click on this link: <a href="https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer">https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer</a> Scroll down and click on the green Morning Prayer box.

**BBC Radio 3 Choral Evensong.** Wednesday 3.30pm or Sunday at 3pm.

Sunday Worship on BBC Radio 4 at 8.05am.

TV Songs of Praise on BBC One at 1.15pm.

**Church of England Daily Hope**. Free phone line with hymns, reflections and prayers: 0800 804 8044.

Samaritans National Helpline: 116 123.



Please remember in your prayers: Sandra Lowry, Tony and Betty Hall, Pam Toler, John Ivings, Colin Mills, Barry and Rosie Pegram, James Bascoe, Rev'd Dr Malcolm Rothwell, Steve Parker.

Those in our congregation who have long term concerns are prayed for regularly.

**Private Prayer at St Martin's** is on Wednesday and Saturday mornings 9.30-12pm.

Churches Together in Dorking Prayers. Members of CTD all pray for one church, community, congregation or initiative each week. This week we are praying for St John's North Holmwood.

The Diocesan Calendar of Prayer is now available at <a href="https://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/about/christian-calendar/calendar-of-prayer">https://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/about/christian-calendar/calendar-of-prayer</a>. In May we pray for Runnymede and Woking Deaneries,



Stay safe!

# st martin's dorking

Welcome, particularly if you are new or just visiting, it is lovely to have you with us!



# Services at St Martin's

#### **Sunday 9th May**

Holy Communion Easter 6 @ 10am

#### **Sunday 16th May**

Holy Communion Easter 7 @ 10am

# Private Prayer at St Martin's

Wednesday 12th May - 9.30-12pm Saturday 15th May - 9.30-12pm

# Services at St Mary's Pixham

# **Sunday 9th May**

Morning Prayer @ 10.30am

#### **Sunday 16th May**

Pixham Praise and Holy Communion @ 10.30am

# St Barnabas Services on Zoom

If you are not currently on the list of people invited to St Barnabas Zoom services, but would like to be, see below for contact details:

#### **Sunday 9th May**

Holy Communion @ 11am (contact: clazenby@stjnh.org.uk)

#### Sunday 16th May

No Service

#### Collect

Risen Christ,

by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:

help your Church to obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father.