

St Lawrence's Church
Notices for the week starting 22nd April 2018

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Morning Prayer
4th Sunday of Easter

352 In Christ Alone

Reading: Acts 4:5-12 (p1095)

724 The Lord's my shepherd / Trust in you alone

Reading: John 10:11-18 (p1076)

170 Father I place into your hands

(During this hymn a collection will be taken)

91 Brother, Sister let me serve you



Collect

Risen Christ,
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:
teach us to hear your voice
and to follow your command,
that all your people may be gathered into one flock,
to the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

Response during prayers

either: Lord, in your mercy **or:** Lord, hear us;
hear our prayer. Lord, graciously hear us.

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father,
you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd,
and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:
keep us always under his protection,
and give us grace to follow in his steps;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



Please pray for all those on our prayer tree

If you wish to pray for a particular person or situation please add a label to the prayer tree



- † **Thank you to Denise Rose** for leading our service today.
- † **Fund Raising – pink envelopes** Sunday 15th April £267.30 which includes £35.00 Coffee Money and £149.00 April Tuesday Café. Thank you for your generosity making it easier to maintain and repair our amazing building for God’s work.
- † **Fourth Tuesday Drop-In – 24th April 10am till 12 noon.**
Come and have a chat, tea and toast, knitting group, jigsaws.
- † **Royal Wedding Afternoon Tea Sunday 20th May** – You are invited to come and celebrate the Royal Wedding with a full afternoon tea with unlimited drinks.
Cost £8 per person with two sittings 12 noon till 1:45pm or 2:30pm till 4:00pm
Come dressed as a Wedding Guest, with a Best Hat Competition
Please book and pay in advance – see Linda Chapman
- † **World War I Exhibition in June** – Joyce Heap is seeking memorabilia and artefacts for this exhibition.
- † **Memorial Garden** – we are sending letters to those who have relatives’ ashes in our Memorial Garden relating to new Churchyard regulations. Can you help with addresses for the following: Holts, Etchells, Thorley, Sarginson, MacNellie, Connie Smith, Pauline Walker. Please speak with Denise Rose.

Please take this notice sheet home to help your daily prayer and to remind you of all the services and events

Forthcoming events in April / May

Today	APCM (Annual Meeting) Baptism of Pippa	12 noon 1:45pm
Monday 23rd April	Funeral of Denis Smith	1:00pm
Tuesday 24th April	Fourth Tuesday Drop In with Knitting Group	10am till 12 noon
Wednesday 25th April	Holy Communion ~ St Lawrence Lodge Holy Communion ~ Pendle House Youth Drop In Clergy and Wardens Meeting ~ St Lawrence's	1:30pm 2:15pm 6:30pm 7:30pm
Sunday 29th April	Joint Mission Partnership Holy Communion ~ St Stephens Audenshaw	10:30am
Wednesday 2nd May	Deanery Synod at St Georges Mossley	7:30pm
Thursday 3rd May	Holy Communion Mothers Union	9:00am 7:30pm
Friday 4th May	Burial of Ashes ~ Catherine Fielding	11:30am
Sunday 6th May	Holy Communion Baptism of Noah, Neve, Esme and Alby	10:45am 12:45pm
Tuesday 8th May	Second Tuesday café including Midday Service, Chair Aerobics 12:50, Knitting Group 2pm	10:00am till 4:00pm
Saturday 12th May	Beetle Drive for Christian Aid at Hope URC	Afternoon
Sunday 13th May	Holy Communion Family and Parade Service with speaker from Compassion Baptism of Bradley	9:30am 10:45am 12:45pm

Annual Parochial Church Meeting - TODAY at 12 noon

Please stay after this morning's service to join in this very important meeting where we will elect our 'officers' for the next year. It's your chance to have your say.

- **Could you be a Church Warden or PCC member?** Please pray about this and chat with those who are currently PCC members to find out more. Nomination forms are at the back of church.

We have vacancies for

- 2 Church Wardens
- 2 Assistant Church Wardens
- 2 PCC members
- 2 Deanery Synod Members

For more details please speak with

Denise Rose our Lay-Chair or John Kenyon our PCC Secretary

Prayer for the week

Please Lord,
Be with me when I am fearful
To make me faithful.
Be with me when I am faithful
To make me fruitful.
Be with me when I am fruitful
To make me humble.
For it is only by your grace
That I was chosen to serve you;
only by your strength
That I am even able to serve;
only by your faithfulness
that I am still serving you today.

Amen