



## **The Parish of St George Pontesbury**

Rector: Currently Vacant

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### **Welcome to Worship**

### **Sunday 26 May— Sixth Sunday of Easter**

A warm welcome to everyone joining us for worship today

Refreshments are served after the 10.30am service.

### **Service Today**

10.30am Café Church

Baptised and communicant members of all churches or Christian traditions are invited to receive the Sacrament from the chancel step.

If you wish to receive a blessing, please come forward carrying this sheet.

If you require a gluten-free wafer, please ask one of the wardens.

### **The Week Ahead**

Fri 30th 10.00am Coffee

## **Today's 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. **Amen.**

## **The First Reading (Acts 16: 9-15)**

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.*

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptised, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

## **The Gospel (John 14: 23-29)**

Jesus said to his disciples : "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you.

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

## **Post Communion Prayer**

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **Please pray for:**

The people who provide refreshments and welcome to visitors

**Anniversary of Marriage:** Matthew and Joanne Winter

### **Healing:**

Paul Griffiths, Stuart Swancott, Richard Lewis, Zack, Joyce Hackney, Jean Gwilliam, Michael, Quinn Brocklebank, Edna Crockett,

### **Departed:**

Ivy Jones.

## **St George's Choir**

The choir practises on Friday at midday. New members are welcome to join. There is no voice test and expectation that you can read music.

We worship using a wide range of hymns, new and old. Come along on a Friday for a taster session. You will have a warm welcome.

Contact Jack Cornall (choir master) 271504    [jcornall44@gmail.com](mailto:jcornall44@gmail.com)

## Notices

### **Pontesbury Open Gardens - Sunday 30th June 12.30-4.30pm**

in aid of St George's Church and Shropshire Historic Churches Trust.

Gardens will be open in Pontesbury and we are looking for people to help serve tea, provide cakes and drive visitors up Pontesbury Hill.

If you are able to help please contact Martyn Cribb - 792419

### **Parish Visitors**

Would you, or someone you know, appreciate some help or a visit?

St George's Church has a team of friendly people who would love to visit you for whatever reason. Contact us in confidence - Marion Elliott 792256

### **Food Bank**

Donations for Shrewsbury Food Bank are being collected in church.

The most useful items are toilet rolls, soap, toothpaste, rice, tinned meat, tinned vegetables, pasta, tinned fruit, tea, coffee, UHT milk and biscuits.

### **Refugees**

We are still collecting items for refugees: clothes, hats, gloves, scarves, waterproof shoes & boots, blankets, tents, sleeping bags & non-perishable food items. Please leave donations at the back of church.

### **Press Enquiries**

We are advised that if the press ask questions about any individual, we are to refer the matter to Sam Pratley, the Diocesan Secretary.

### **Sunday Services in June**

<b>2 June</b>	8.00am	Holy Communion (Prayer Book)
	10.30am	Sung Holy Communion
<b>9 June</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	Holy Communion
<b>16 June</b>	10.30am	Sung Holy Communion

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