

WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH!

NOTICE SHEET FOR SUNDAY 17th MAY 2026



The Seventh Sunday of Easter

Here for Christ – here for you

A very warm welcome if you are joining us today. Please join us for refreshments after the 10am service.

Our services are in Church and on Zoom. We usually video the 8am sermon and 10am service and upload them on Facebook later. If you would like to join any of our services on Zoom, please ring 01603 250844 or email Catherine Richmond on services@christchurch-eaton.org.uk for the details.

If you would like a visit from Patrick the Vicar, or more information, please fill in one of the Welcome Cards you will find in the pews and hand it to Patrick, a warden or a sidesperson.

8 am **BCP Holy Communion** (Collect and readings p.146)

10 am **Family Communion** with activities for children
1st Reading: Ezekiel 36:24-28 (Old Testament p.819)
2nd Reading: Acts 1:6-14 (New Testament p.114)
Gospel: John 17:1-11 (New Testament p.108)
Anthem: *God is gone up* - William Croft
Voluntary: *Postlude on 'Guiting Power'* - Paul Leddington-Wright

6 pm **BCP Evensong** in church and on Zoom
1st Reading: 2 Samuel 23:1-5 (Old Testament p.308)
2nd Reading: Ephesians 1:15-235 (New Testament p.189)
Voluntary: *Improvisation on 'St Magnus'* - F G Waldock

Christ Church is usually open for Private Prayer from 10.30am to 4pm each day

Charity of the Month: *Christian Aid* (christianaid.org.uk) working in 29 countries, with people of all faiths and none. They seek to eradicate extreme poverty by tackling its root causes and help in practical ways to end it. Please see the display at the back of Church or their website for more information or to donate

PLEASE ATTEND THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

11.30am on Sunday 31st May

The APCM elects PCC members and others, receives the annual accounts and reports, and invites your views. Please speak to Patrick or the wardens if you might like to be on the PCC, Deanery Synod or Group Council. We need replacements for those retiring from PCC and Group Council. The agenda, annual report, accounts and last year's draft minutes are available online at christchurch-eaton.org.uk/whats-on/ (there are some hard copies at the back of church)

EVENTS

Events are at Christ Church unless otherwise stated

Monday 18th

2.00 pm *Chat over a Cuppa*. All welcome

Wednesday 20th

10.30 am The Clare School visit to learn about special buildings

10.30 am Eaton Mothers' Union visit St Julian's Church. Please contact Ruth Vaughan (504849) for full details.

Monday 25th

2.00 pm *Chat over a Cuppa*

2.30 pm Holy Communion at The Hawthorns, Unthank Road. All welcome.

Tuesday 26th

2.30 pm Youth and children's committee meet at 7, Coach House Court

Friday 29th

6.30 pm Choir rehearsal

Saturday 30th

2.30 pm Memorial Service for the late Elizabeth Cannon

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 24th MAY

Pentecost

8 am BCP Holy Communion (Collect and readings p.147)

10 am Family Communion

Followed by sparkling refreshments

(Numbers 11:24-30; Acts 2:1-21; John 7:37-39)

6 pm BCP Evensong

(Joel 2:21-32; Acts 2:14-21)

Notices for Sunday 24th May

should be with Catherine Richmond (250844, notices@christchurch-eaton.org.uk) by 10am on Tuesday 19th May. *Thank you*

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NEWS AND NOTICES

Haltern Visit

Please sign a card for our German friends in Haltern. Members of Christ Church will be visiting later this month and will take it with a present.

Double Notice Sheet

Notices for Sundays 31st May and 7th June should be with Catherine Richmond (250844, notices@christchurch-eaton.org.uk) by 10am on Monday 25th May.

How would Christ Park?

Please do not block driveways when parking near the church and please park on the same side of the road as others to avoid a slalom. When driving or cycling around the church please follow the one-way system.

Thank you

Patrick's Weekly Emails

If you are no longer receiving Patrick's weekly emails, please check your spam folder as he is using a new software to send them out. If you would like to start receiving these emails, please let Patrick know. *Thank you*

Administrator Holiday

Ruth is on holiday until 1st June. If you need to email the office, please email Kyla

(finance@eatonchurches.org.uk)

Thank you

Thank You

Our thanks to Leisa Devlin, Caroline Gibbs and Richard Middleton for their service as they retire from the PCC

Charity of the Month Donations

Christ Church and St Andrew's raised £571 for the Mothers' Union Refugee Resettlement Project (March's charity) and £245 for Christians Against Poverty (April). Thank you to all who have given so generously.

Donations Team

Attendance Figures

3rd May:

8am:	16
10am:	59 adults, 6 U16s
6pm:	27 adults, 1 U16

10th May:

8am:	13
10am:	59 adults, 4 U16s
6pm:	11

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PRAYER SUGGESTIONS

Join us for Morning Prayer on Zoom at 9am, Mondays-Fridays

Collect

Risen, ascended Lord, as we rejoice at your triumph, fill your Church on earth with power and compassion, that all who are estranged by sin may find forgiveness and know your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

THY KINGDOM COME - 14th-24th May

Thy Kingdom Come is a global ecumenical prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray from Ascension to Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus. In 2026 the theme is 'God with Us' we are invited to pray that God's Spirit might work in the lives of five people who have not yet responded with their 'Yes' to God's call. Over the course of these next days, think of five people who are on your heart and who you can be praying for.

17th: Let us pray that we might help our Five to hear that call for what it is, and encourage them to listen to it - because, like Samuel (1 Samuel 3), listening to it will change their lives.

18th: Let us pray that we do not fail to act, but respond with confidence to the call of the Spirit sending us to our Five. For God will work through us, in the strength that we have.

19th: Let us pray that, whatever question the Spirit is whispering to us - especially if it relates to our Five - we may respond to it as God wants us to: not ignoring it, not suppressing it, not with excuses - but with action.

20th: Let us pray for our church leaders, lay and ordained, that in listening to the voice of the Spirit

themselves, they may help us share the love of God with our Five.

21st: Let us pray that the Spirit of sovereignty would grant us true humility, and that we may serve our Five with a servant's heart, as Christ served us.

22nd: Let us pray for the confidence to listen and respond to the call of the Spirit - to put ourselves out there, and start a conversation with our Five, even if we don't feel prepared. Because God trusts us to take it from there.

23rd: Let us pray that, whenever our Five might feel alone, we are there for them with a held hand, a squeeze on the shoulder, or a hug, whatever is appropriate and appreciated, sharing with them the comfort of the Holy Spirit. (*thykingdomcome.global*)

The Sick and Suffering

We pray for those who are suffering in mind, body or spirit. We pray for those who have asked for our prayers, including Amelia, Bobs, Sheila Bootman, Ann Catchpole, Phil Cooke, Anna Dunlop, Margaret Fraser, Penny Furze, John Harrison, Trish Hill, Chris Hobbs, Paul James, Joanna, Muriel Jones, John Ladd, Paul, Dick and Val Rout, Wally Spalding, Jonathan Spelman, Judith, Roger, and Ros Wright. We pray for Joan Wheatley as she settles into a new home.

The Departed

We remember and give thanks for all who have gone before us. We pray particularly for the family and friends of Elizabeth Cannon. Help us comfort those who mourn.