

Second Sunday of Easter 9 April 2018



"Jesus said to Thomas, Because you have seen me you have found faith. Happy are they who find faith without seeing me." John 20.29

This morning's music

186 Firmly I believe and truly 87 Breathe on me, Breath of God 32 Alleluia, alleluia, hearts to heaven ... 124 Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire

777 To God be the glory.

This morning's readings and prayers

Acts 4.32-35 (Reader: Robert Nicholls); Ps 133;

IJohnI.I-2.2 (Reader: Diane Wynn)

John 20.19-31 (Gospeller: Mark Hewerdine).

Intercessor: Opal Walsh

This morning's Eucharistic Prayer: E Prayer in the silence after communion

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father.

Collect: Second Sunday of Easter

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Gospel acclamation Reader: Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." Response: **Alleluia**

Post-Communion: 2nd Sunday of Easter

Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Next Sunday, Third Sunday of Easter: Acts 3.12-19 (Reader: Jenny Black); Psalm 4; I John 3.1-7 (Reader: Pam Race) Luke 24.36b-48 (Gospeller: Helen Reid). Intercessor: Leslie Fletcher Plus Sunday Table

Eastertide gre	eting		Eastertide dismissa	ı
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President: The Lord be with you President: Go in the peace of Christ,

All: And also with you Alleluia;

President: Alleluia. Christ is risen All: Thanks be to God, All He is risen indeed. Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia

Tea and coffee are served in the Hall after the service

Monday 9 April 10.00am Morning Prayer (in the Community Hall)

10.00am — 2.00pm Hive Cafe at St Paul's Withington

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7.30pm Holy Communion followed at 8.00pm by PCC meeting

Tuesday I0 April 8.00pm Tuesday Group meeting: A walk along the Cleveland Way with Victor Crawford I0.00am Holy Communion

Monday 16 April 7.30pm in the Hall: Black Holes: What they are and what they tell us. Science and Religion

evening celebrating the life and work of Stephen Hawking with Professor John Dainton

and David Rydeheard

Wednesday 18 April 6.30pm – 9.30pm at St Elisabeth's Reddish: Recording of BBC Songs of Praise

We are keen for enthusiastic singers to join us. To apply, send your name and postcode

and the number of people taking part to SOPcongregations@avantimedia.tv

Sunday 22 April Annual Parish Meetings in the Hall after the Parish Communion to elect churchwardens,

PCC members and sidespeople. Please think and pray about who can fill these

important positions. Nomination forms are now at the back of church.

13 – 19 May Sunday –

Christian Aid Week: More than 70 years tackling the root causes of poverty the world over

Saturday

He is Risen! Death turns to resurrection, despair turns to hope. Around the world, wherever our neighbours are on their journey, we are there. We proclaim the message of hope. From Christian Aid's message for Easter Day.