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Sunday 14 May 2017

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Welcome!

We are delighted to see you, especially if this is your first visit.

Please do join us for refreshments after the 10.30am service.

Today		Christian Aid Week
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
10.30am	All Age Worship with baptism	
5.30pm	Prayer Meeting <i>in the hall with tea at 5pm</i>	
During the Week		
Tues	9am Morning Prayer	
	9am Open House parent and toddler group <i>in the Lounge</i>	
	3.15pm Messy Church	
Wed	9am Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee in the Lounge</i>	
Thurs	10.30am Prayer Meeting <i>in the Ark</i>	
	2pm Funeral of Kathleen Lane	
	Friends Celebration <i>see Friends for more details</i>	
Fri	6.30pm Youth Club <i>on the beach or in the hall!</i>	
Sunday 21 May		
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	
6pm	Youth-led Service	

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

Readings

1 Peter 2: 19-25

¹⁹For it is commendable if someone bears up under the pain of unjust suffering because they are conscious of God. ²⁰But how is it to your credit if you receive a beating for doing wrong and endure it? But if you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God. ²¹To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.

²²‘He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth.’

²³When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly. ²⁴‘He himself bore our sins’ in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; ‘by his wounds you have been healed.’ ²⁵For ‘you were like sheep going astray,’ but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

John 10: 1-11

‘Very truly I tell you Pharisees, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. ²The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep.³The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognise a stranger’s voice.’ ⁶Jesus used this figure of speech, but the Pharisees did not understand what he was telling them.

⁷Therefore Jesus said again, ‘Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. ⁸All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them. ⁹I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

¹¹‘I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

For our prayers and praise this week

Sun	Please pray for the services today. May the morning one be truly "all age". Pray for those being baptised, Mia and Thomas, and all family and friends. Pray for the Prayer Meeting this afternoon.
Mon	We remember with thanksgiving all the work being done by Christian Aid. Pray for all doing house to house collecting, praying for safety and encouragement.
Tues	Pray for a new Youth and Children's worker to replace Ruth.
Wed	Pray for Ruth Jones as she leads the Youth as well as seeking God's guidance for her future.
Thurs	Praise God we have freedom to worship freely. Pray for those people who don't have this freedom and for those countries where there is strife and unrest, praying for shalom peace.
Fri	Praise God for our Bishop who visited our Deanery last week and for the contacts he made and the encouragement he gave.
Sat	Pray for the homeless, the sick, the bereaved, the lonely and all who face problems in life, both in our Parish and all over the world.
Sun	Praise God for Jesus' obedience to the Cross and the forgiveness and new life we have through Him. Pray we may feel His love in our Communion.

What's on and notices

Christian Aid Week begins 14-20 May

Please would Christian Aid collectors collect their packages from the Hall today. If anyone else feels able to collect, please see John Hart or contact him on 297656. Your help will be most appreciated. **Please note there will NOT be a Christian Aid lunch this Wednesday (17th).**

Lost Property Please have a look at the display of lost property in the hall today and over the next few weeks and take anything which is yours. Anything not claimed will be taken to a charity shop. Thank you. *Pere*

New Youth and Children's Worker? Accommodation needed... Ruth Jones finishes her degree course this summer and will be moving on to find a full time youth work post. The PCC have decided to advertise for another person and we may need to find accommodation for them (allowance paid). If anyone has a spare room/flat please could you speak to Pere Snow for more information.

Garage Sale! Sue Gray is moving to Australia and so is having a sale of household items including tools, garden things, bric a brac etc on **Saturday 20 May @ 10 am** at 6 Woodside Drive TQ1 1QN. Some of the proceeds will go towards the reordering of the church.

Messy Church 16 May at 3.15pm. Please join us for some fun.

Church Family Picnic Sunday 25 June Please join us on the green outside the court at Cockington for a picnic/get together/games after the morning service, weather permitting! It's the day of the Classic Motorcycles Show so there will be a food stall. Anyone needing a lift, please see a member of the Social Core group.

Ann Adams it is with sadness that we let you know that Ann Adams, a former long-standing member of St Matthias, has died. Our prayers are with Stanley and their family. The funeral date has yet to be announced.



Thy Kingdom Come The Archbishop of Canterbury's call to prayer for our country...Exeter Cathedral 6.30pm on 4 June, prayer walk around St Matthias Parish boundary on 11 June. Look out for a leaflet with more information shortly.

Barrel News! Thank you. We have now exceeded £200K in our pledges and gifts towards the re-ordering project. The large barrel will shortly disappear but of course we will gladly receive further pledges and gifts. Please give direct to Tony Barrett or Alan Poole or clearly marked in the collection.

'Grounded in Faith...Growing to Serve'

Special appeal pens available at the back of church £1 each.

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