

**This week's services**

**Sunday 26th May**

10.30am, Holy Communion, CW, Finstock  
Benefice Service



**Thursday 30th May**

7.30pm, Ascension Day Service, Ramsden

**Sunday 2nd June**

9.00am, Holy Communion, BCP, Ramsden  
10.30am, Holy Communion, CW, Leafield



**Ramsden Open Gardens  
Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May 1.30-5.30pm**

Admission £5, children free

Teas & Plant stall

In aid of St James' Church

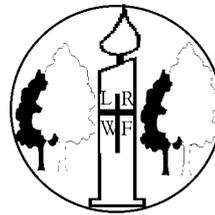
And the Memorial Hall



***If we as a Church can help in any way,  
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**PEW SHEET**

**6th Sunday of  
Easter  
26th May 2019**

***Please take this pew sheet with  
you when you leave***



A loop system for the hard of hearing is fitted  
in all our churches  
(with the exception of St Peter's, Wilcote)

Benefice website:

<http://www.forestedgebenefice.co.uk>

***The Collect***



God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

***First Reading***

***Acts 16: 9-15 †***

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 baptized, 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.

### **Gospel Reading** **John 14: 23-29**

Jesus answered him, '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.



We thank you  
that Easter is not about a people,  
but all people,  
that your love and your Salvation  
are for all who confess  
with voices, hearts and lives  
that the tomb is empty  
because Jesus is risen,  
that we might know forgiveness,  
that lives might be reborn  
and your name glorified  
now and for eternity.

Amen



#### **These Bible readings are designated for each day**

<b>Monday</b>	<i>1 Peter 4: 1-11</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<i>1 Peter 4: 12-end</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<i>1 Peter 5</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	<i>Hebrews 7: 26-end</i>
<b>Friday</b>	<i>Mark 3: 31-end</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	<i>1 John 2: 7-17</i>

#### **Please pray for the following throughout the week**

**Monday** *Those who are sick or grieving within our community.*

**Tuesday** *Those who are suffering in this country and around the world.*

**Wednesday** *The Queen and other leaders in this country.*

**Thursday** *For the troubled areas around the world, we pray for peace and justice.*

**Friday** *For the ministry of the Forest Edge Benefice and for those who lead us.*

**Saturday** *For an abundance of love, peace, harmony and forgiveness to reign within families and relationships.*

#### **Please also pray for the Chipping Norton Deanery, and particularly this week.**

St Nicholas, Heythrop.

Please pray for Ginny Thomas and the Churchwarden John Sword.

