

This week's services

Sunday 22nd May

10.30am, Holy Communion, CW, **Finstock Benefice Service**



Thursday 26th May

7.30pm, Ascension Day Service, **Ramsden**

Friday 27th May

6.30pm, Evening Prayer, **Wilcote**

Sunday 29th May

10.30am, Holy Communion, BCP, **Wilcote**

These Bible readings are designated for each day

Monday Luke 6: 27-38

Tuesday Luke 6: 39-end

Wednesday Luke 7: 1-10

Thursday Hebrews 7: 26-end

Friday Luke 7: 11-17

Saturday Luke 7: 18-35

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 William Burke and the Church Warden John Sword.



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PEW SHEET



22nd May 2022
6th Sunday of Easter

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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.

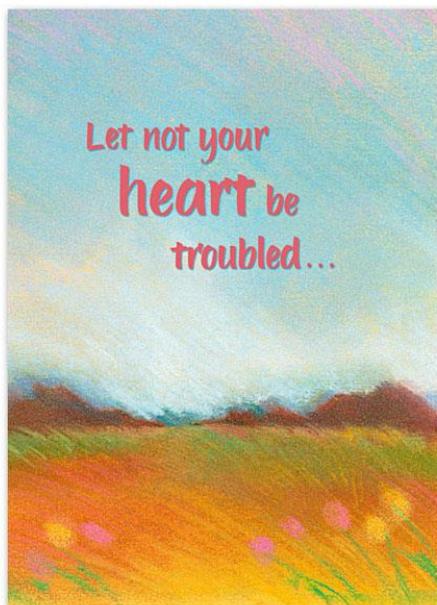
First Reading Acts 16: 9-15

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.



Baptism

We welcome Edward Dominic William Allen brought for baptism today by his parents Diane and Stephen.

We hope all Edward's family and friends who have come to share in his special day enjoy the occasion.
10.30am, Finstock



For the miracle of birth,
new life entering this
beautiful but fragile world
in innocence and love
we give you thanks.
For the joy of parenthood,
and the potential
to be nurtured lovingly
within that tiny child,
we give you thanks.

Bless our children, Lord,
growing up into a future
that is difficult to predict.
Protect them, guide them
and give them wisdom
to see above and beyond
the tempting choices
this world may offer,
that they might become
the people who, in your eyes,
they were always meant to be.

Amen

