



Welcome to St John the Evangelist East Dulwich

15 May 2022 Fifth Sunday of Easter

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Processional Hymn No.124

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem.

Offertory Hymn (*Words on sheet*) -

Great is thy faithfulness

Communion Anthem

"If ye then be risen with Christ" - by F W Wadely

Post Communion Hymn No.440

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation

Voluntary

"A New Hiding-Place" – Harry T Burleigh, played by Sian Conlon(see note)*

Organ played today by John Webber

The Collect

Let us pray

Almighty God,
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

The flowers in the Sanctuary and Lady chapel are given to the Glory of God.

Covid measures at St John's –

- **Face coverings are recommended**, we ask that you use hand sanitiser and maintain social distancing. Thank you for all you do to keep our worship safe.
- Please notify us if you develop symptoms within 48 hours of your visit by contacting our churchwarden, Julie Whitney, by calling or text on 07786 686 385

A Reading from Acts 11.1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 148 R:/ Praise O praise the name of the Lord

A Reading from Revelation 21.1-6

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.' And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.'

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 13.31-35

When he had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ

Offertory Hymn –

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with thee.
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they
fail not; as thou hast been, thou forever wilt
be.

Great is thy faithfulness!
Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided.
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and
harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to
guide,
strength for today and bright hope for
tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Harry T Burleigh

Born in 1866, Harry T Burleigh was an American classical composer and the first black composer to develop characteristically American music and made black music available to the classical world by introducing and arranging spirituals.

He won a scholarship to the National Conservatory of Music in New York at the age of 26. To support himself he worked as a handyman at the Conservatory and the story goes that whilst simultaneously cleaning walls and singing spirituals, he was heard by the Director, Czech composer Dvorzak, who had used his own country's folk music to infuse his compositions. He encouraged Burleigh to do the same with black American music, declaring: 'In the melodies of Black America I discover all that is needed for a great and noble school of music.'

Notices

Annual Parish meetings - this year's Annual Meetings takes place after today's 10am service at 11.30am in the Church. The meetings will also be livestreamed via Zoom. There will be two meetings. The Annual Parish Meeting, to elect the Churchwardens will be followed by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting to conduct other parish business and elections. Everyone is welcome to attend both meetings, but only those on the church electoral roll are entitled to vote. However, the Annual Parish Meeting is a public meeting so all residents in the parish who are on the register of local government electors are entitled to vote.

Revd. Gemma Birt Ordination – Gemma is being ordained a priest on Saturday 2 July at St Mary The Virgin, Lewisham. If you would like to contribute toward a present please contact Denise in the parish office, the church wardens or doante via the card machine or use this QR code
Thank you.



The Gander – Copies of the May issue of the Gander are available at the back of church. We hope you might like to try our first ever Gander Crossword Puzzle; some of the answers have an East Dulwich theme and there is a prize for one lucky entrant drawn at random from the correct submissions! We're very grateful to John Webber's Brother-in-law, Christopher Brougham QC, for setting this puzzle for us.

Goose Green Coffee Morning – Do join us, all welcome for coffee, cake and chat every Wednesday morning from 11 until 12:30. If you would like to be added to the Coffee Morning mailing list or to find out more, please email sue.oneill0826@gmail.com and if you can do some gardening during Coffee Morning Martin Howell would be very happy for some volunteers.

Lunch Club – Held in the Goose Green Centre on Thursdays (of term time) at 12.30 pm for a two-course meal followed by tea or coffee (cost £5). If you would like to join us or would like further information, please contact Barbara Deller (020 8693 2090) or Martin Howell (020 8249 7411).

Deanery Confirmation service 19th June at St John's –

Confirmation preparation classes for those under 18 start this afternoon at St John's, from 4 - 5:15pm. If any young people would like to join these classes or have any questions about what it involves, please do contact Gill or Gemma. If any young people would who are not sure about whether they would like to be confirmed or have been recently confirmed and would like to join our group, you will be very welcome!

We will be running separate session for those over 18 who would like to be prepared for confirmation (or baptism and confirmation). These will also be open to anyone who would also like to come to learn more about the Christian faith, or who

would like to spend some time to explore their faith and baptismal vows afresh. Please do speak to Gill or Gemma if you are interested or have any questions!

Messy Church – The next service is on Sunday 12 June at 3.45pm, please do join us. You are able to sign up via Eventbrite or let Julie or Gemma know that you plan to attend. Flyers with future dates are at the back of church. If you would like to help at a future event please contact Julie Whitney or Revd. Gill or Revd. Gemma.

St John's Black History Library - There is a small library at the back of the church containing books for all ages including young adults, and a collection of inclusive books for small children. Everyone is welcome to borrow them - please make a note of the title borrowed in the book provided on top of the bookshelf.

Woolwich MEACC Pilgrimage to Coventry Cathedral - Having visited some of our most historic Cathedrals in recent years (Winchester (2019), Salisbury (2018), Lichfield (2017) and Canterbury (2106)), and after a 2 year break because of COVID, we are heading to the more modern Coventry Cathedral on Saturday 11 June. Our visit will include a guided tour, a Eucharist and Evening Prayer.

We will depart from St George the Martyr and registration starts at 7.30am, and we will depart at 8am prompt. We will depart from Coventry at about 5pm, and arrive back at St George the Martyr by 8pm. Please note, No packed lunch is provided this year, so you can either bring your own or buy food on the trip. The cost is £15.00 per seat. Please contact joytaylor@sky.com or woolwichmeacc@gmail.com for tickets.



Christian Aid Week 15-21 May 2022

St John's Christian Aid Café – Sunday 22nd May

On Sunday 22nd May, St John's will be hosting a Christian Aid Café, directly after church until 3pm. We also hope to offer a Pimm's stall, children's craft activity and craft stall if the weather permits. This event will coincide with The Dulwich Festival Goose Green Fair. We would love to see you there! If you would like to volunteer, either on the day itself, or by way of cake baking in advance, please contact Mary Dawson

marydawson78@hotmail.com or Sue O'Neill sue.oneill0826@gmail.com for further details. Donations to Christian Aid can be made via the QR code or web address.

<https://givealittle.co/campaigns/55b84b94-ebb9-41d6-b20b-db7e29ffde92>

Thank you.



Choral Evensong – Tonight, Sunday 15 May, at 6pm

Singers in our congregation who can read music are welcome to join the choir for this service. Future Evensong dates 9 October, 27 November all at 6pm

Concert in Church - Sunday, 22 May at 7pm a concert of music by Handel, Haydn and Mozart will be given by the Southwark Sinfonietta. Do come and support members of the Church Choir, who will be singing Mozart's "Ave verum corpus"; John Webber will be the soloist in a Handel organ concerto. More details can be found on the poster at the back of the Church.



Giving Regularly to St John's - We would like to thank everyone who gives regularly to St John's and encourage all church members who are able to support the work of the church to do this through planned giving. To make a regular donation via the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) Direct Debit Service, visit www.parishgiving.org.uk telephone 0333 002 1260 or pick up a leaflet at the back of church.

Our PGS parish name is East Dulwich St John. Alternatively we can provide weekly envelopes for you to make your donation via the collection. Please ask our Stewardship Secretary, Martin Howell, if you would like a set of envelopes or have any questions about supporting St John's.

St John's 2022 Organ Recital Series



Admission free; retiring collection. Recitals begin at 11am and last forty minutes.

25 June 2022 – Norman Harper

17 September 2022 – Ann Hubble (Violin) and Richard Pilliner (Organ)

Goose Green activities and classes - May 2022

Monday	Sing and Sign	10am to 3.30pm	www.singandsign.co.uk
	Arts Factory	4pm to 5.15pm	www.theartsfactory.london
	NA Newcomers	7.30pm to 9pm	www.UKNA.org
Tuesday	Sing and Sign	10am to 12pm	www.singandsign.co.uk
	Arts Factory	4pm to 5.15pm	www.theartsfactory.london
	Yoga	6.30pm to 8pm	www.johnpyoga.com
Weds	Church coffee morning	11am to 12.30pm	Goose Green Coffee Morning - The PCC of St Johns East Dulwich
	Perform	4pm to 6pm	www.perform.org.uk
	Tai Chi	7.15pm to 9.15pm	Online Tai Chi & Qigong in East Dulwich, London (taichinews.com)
Thursday	Church Lunch club	12.30pm to 2pm	Goose Green Community Lunch Club - The PCC of St Johns East Dulwich
	Perform	4pm to 6pm	www.perform.org.uk
	NA Serene on the Green	7.30pm to 9pm	www.ukna.org
Friday	Sing and Sign	9am to 12pm	www.singandsign.co.uk
	Donguri Club	4.30pm to 6pm	
	AA Step on the green	7.30pm to 9pm	www.alcoholics-anonymous.org.uk
Saturday	Baby Ballet	9am to 12pm	www.babyballet.co.uk
	Youth Learning Network	1.30pm to 5pm	www.youthlearningnetwork.org
Sunday	Children's party bookings	1pm to 6pm	office@stjohnseastdulwich.org



as I have
loved you
love one
another

~John 13: 34-35~