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9.30am Eucharist 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2024

11am Holy Communion on 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2024

**Hymn:- 392 Bright the vision that delighted**

**Collect:-** Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; 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:- A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.**

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.' The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!' Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

**Response to Psalm 29: - The Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.**

Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due to his name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

**R**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters. The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendour.

**R**

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon; He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

**R**

The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh. The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare. And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, 'Glory!' The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore. The Lord shall give strength to his people; the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

**R**

**Second Reading:-** A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh – for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ – if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

**This is the word of the Lord**

**Thanks be to God**

**Gradual Hymn:- 320 Praise we now the world of grace.**

**Gospel:- Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.**

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone

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who is born of the Spirit.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things?'

**Offertory Hymn:- 418 Father, Lord of all Creation.**

**Communion Hymn:- 206** We give immortal praise.

**Anthems:-** Hymn to the Trinity Tchaikovsky

**Post Communion Prayer:-** Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:

hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

**Recessional:- 267 Thou whose Almighty word.**

**Please remember the sick in your prayers:-** Sarina, Janice Pinnock, Jean Rochester, Cynthia Foster, Christopher Munns, Barry Ireland, Amy Su Armitage, Velma Munns, Dave Cheney, Nina Beetson, Peter Fisher. Janet Mclean.

**Also, those who have died recently remembering:-** Cledwyn Bennet and Martin Idate.

**Crowning of the May Queen:-** Another lovely hot and sunny afternoon. Lots of fun Maypole dancing. Amazing to see a 5-year-old to an 82-year-old frolicking around the maypole. Thank you to Julia and the Social/fund raising team for all their hard work, to Mrs Hendry for crowning the Queen and to Freya, the May Queen, who looked stunning.

**Choral Evensong 2<sup>nd</sup> June at 6pm followed by light refreshments.**

**Watoto Children Free concert 5<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm**

Don't miss this it is something else. Fantastic, Get ready to be amazed by their vibrant music, energetic dances, and powerful storytelling.

Don't miss this opportunity to witness the talent and joy of these amazing children as they share their stories of hope and transformation. Through their performance, they inspire and remind us of the power of love and resilience.

**6<sup>th</sup> June the 80<sup>th</sup> Celebration of D Day 7.30 pm in Church**

In the presence of the Lord Lieutenant of the County, James Sanders Watson from Rockingham Castle. There will be well known hymns, music from the era sung by Lis Page, Poems, A Pipers Lament, address by Rev Paul Needle followed by Refreshments. At 9.15pm Beacons are being lit across the country for peace and the International tribute given. A beacon will lit outside the Church.

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**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June Rushden Town Band Concert** Pimms, Punch and Pop Music tickets £10.00 accompanied children free. Julie or Jane have tickets now on sale.

**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June Church Fete 12 to 4pm :** If you would like help in any way speak to Jane, Christine Chapman or Bryan Chapman. **Plants** for the Fete please bring to Church on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June or Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June before midday. Joyce and Lynn will be running the stall.

**Tombola prizes** to Joanne Needle for her stall please.

**Jigsaws** to Colin Needle and **Paper backs** to Julie Titmus,

**Cakes** to Janet Harris, **Bric-brac** to Joanne Weatherill, Soft toys and children's books to Julia H, **Bottles and bottle bags** to Jean, **Raffle prizes** to Philip.

**Floodlight Sponsorship**

**Trefoil Guild**

**Wine Walk About:-** Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> July tickets available from Philip Powis £15.00 each.

**Volunteers needed:-** to help strip and paint the Vicarage garage doors and front door Oxford Blue. Apply to Byran Chapman or Colin Needle. (permission has been granted from the Parsonages board)

**Church Clock:-** Alas, alack, despite having medical attention the Church clock has stopped again. After paying about £200.00 for a service in the Autumn and another £200.00 to repair it a couple of weeks ago it has come to a standstill again. No bells every quarter of an hour. This time it could cost £6,000 etc to be repaired. We now need a clock repair fund. Ideas welcome!

**Gardening team afternoon tea** at 3 Wellingborough Road on 4<sup>th</sup> July, Tickets available in due course. Pays for mower fuel and maintenance.

**Sponsored Bible Read.** Thank you to all who were involved in the Sponsored Bible Read on 11th May, including readers, stewards and those who were approached to sponsor others.

We started at 10:00 with John Chapter One, where we had reached in 2022, and ended just after 3:00 at the end of Acts of the Apostles.

A reminder, please to collect sponsor money as soon as possible and put your list of sponsors and money in the wooden box at the back of the church - cash should be in an envelope with the name of the "reader". Bank transfers can be made using the church link:

Sort Code: 30-99-26 Account Number: 00114501

Account: PCC Finedon Parish General Account

Please reference "Sponsored Bible Read".

Hopefully we can announce an interim total next Sunday.

Thank you one again for your support for our church.

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