



THE PARISH OF

**HOLY TRINITY**

BOLTON LE SANDS



& ST MARK'S NETHER KELLET



## **The Link**

Sunday, 28th April, 2024

Fifth Sunday of Easter

2024 Easter Season Sermon Series - What can I give him?

St Mark's 10.30am - Morning Prayer Service

Holy Trinity 9.15am - All-Age Family Service

Holy Trinity 10.30am - Holy Communion Service

## **HYMNS (Ancient and Modern)**

**630** Father, Lord of all creation

**800** The Lord's my Shepherd

**766** Praise my Soul the King of Heaven

**652** Guide me O Thou Great Redeemer

## **COLLECT:**

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. **All: Amen.**

## **NEW TESTAMENT READING:**

Today's reading is from **The Acts of the Apostles.**

### Acts 2:42-47

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

This is the word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL READING:**

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

**All: Glory to you, O lord.**

### John 10:7-16

So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

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

### **PRAYERS:**

We pray for our communities and in particular for all living on: Westfield Drive, Whin Avenue, Whin Grove and Canal Gardens.

We pray for those who are sick or in need: David, John, Margaret, Len, Noel, Baby Evie, Yvonne, Rhoda, Peter and Marion Davies, and Charlie M.

We pray for the family and friends of those who have recently died: Maureen Shackleton, Jean Wilson, Pat Jarrett, Ruth Prest, and Roy Townsend.

From our Book of Remembrance, we remember in prayer: Maureen Wiles, Aeneas James Douglas Mackintosh, Margaret Eulalie Mackintosh, Frank Skelhorne, John Leslie Gummingsall, Ian Francis Westran and Sheila Whitaker.

### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER:**

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns now and forever. **All: Amen.**

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## **Notices and Announcements**

**Coffee Morning:** Thursday May 2nd, 9.45 to 11.15am. The Communal Coffee Morning will be held in Holy Trinity Church due to the election. Please invite everyone. Any offers of help or donations to Lesley Bailey.



**An Evening of Flower Arranging:** Tuesday May 7th, 7pm. St Mary's Church Hall, Bolton Le Sands: CWL invites you to an evening demonstration of flower arranging, in aid of Unique Kidz And Co, raising money for a play and social activity centre for disabled children in Morecambe.



**Flowers in Church** 🌸: Beloved birthday memories of Robin Bernard Bamber.

### **† Our Upcoming Services and Events †**

**Sunday, 28th April:** Re-Freshers Week - A chance to get involved.

**Sunday, 28th April, 12pm:** Holy Trinity and St Marks AGM

**Monday 29th April, 2pm:** Funeral for the late Pat Jarrett at Christ Church URC

**Tuesday, 30th April, 7.45pm:** Prayer Meeting.

**Wednesday, 1st May, 10am:** Wednesday Communion Service with MU Corporate Worship

**Wednesday, 1st May, 11am:** Burial of the late Pat Jarrett (following Monday service at Christ Church)

**Thursday, 2nd May, 9.45am:** Community Coffee Morning, Holy Trinity

**Friday, 3rd May, 9.30am:** Shining Stars, Christchurch URC

**Friday, 3rd May, 7pm:** First Friday Service

**Sunday, 5th May, 9am:** Holy Communion Service (Common Worship), St Mark's

**Sunday, 5th May, 10.30am:** Family Communion Service in Church and on Zoom.

