



St Wilfrid, West Hallam ~ Holy Trinity, Mapperley  
St Andrew, Stanley ~ United Church, Stanley Common

**19<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

**Easter 5**

## **Welcome to Worship**

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### **Verse of the month: John 4:23**

***'Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshippers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are kind of worshippers the Father seeks.'***

### **Please include in your prayers this week:**

Stan Booth, Pat Marshall, Dorothy Poyser,  
Angela and John Leatherland, Peggy Lewis, Paul Gurney  
and the family and friends of  
Andrea Parker, Donald Raynor and Geoffrey Wardley RIP.

### **THIS WEEK**

Mon 20	9.00am	Morning Prayer at Holy Trinity, Mapperley
	2.00pm	Mothers' Union meets at UCAS, Stanley Cmn
	3.30pm	PCC meets at Holy Trinity Church
Tues 21	9.00am	Morning Prayer at St Wilfrid's, West Hallam
Thurs 23	9.30am	St Andrew's School in church
	7.30pm	Seeking Aliveness Course, Powtrell Pavilion
Fri 24	7.30pm	Country & Western Evening at UCAS

### **NOTICES**

Mary and Trevor would like to say a big thankyou to the members of the Church Family, who have been so supportive and prayerful for them as they coped with the unexpected trauma of Trevor in Hospital for five days, and the subsequent frequent visits back to what we are now calling 'our favourite holiday resort'. We have experienced many amazing

answers to your prayers – God is faithful. We will be back in worship in due time.

**Country & Western Night** at UCAS, Friday 24th May at 7.30pm with Dave Sheriff. Tickets £6, including Light Supper, from Jan 930 3845.

**Messy Church** will be on *Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>* and we look forward to another busy morning. Additional helpers would be very welcome, perhaps anyone who would like to come along could contact Kate on 0779 110 2331 if they are interested in helping or in seeing what is involved!

**Volunteers needed** to plan, puddle clay and dress the well. Gill will not be available to help this year.

People are also needed to help with the ‘Teddies off the Tower’. Please let Gill know if you can help with either.

**Storytellers needed** to go into Stanley Common School on one Tuesday morning each half-term or Mapperley School on one Wednesday morning each half-term, both from 11.45-12 noon. Bible stories will be provided and you will alternate between Key Stage 1 and 2 each half-term. Please speak to Gill or contact the office if you can offer some time.

**From the Fabric Committee at St Wilfrid’s:** Most of the Purificators and the white flannels are missing from their usual place in the store cupboard. Please check pockets and bags. If you have inadvertently picked them up - please return to church - clean or dirty. Many thanks.

### **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May ~ Easter 6**

9.30am	Holy Communion	Holy Trinity
9.30am	Morning Worship	UCAS
11.00am	Holy Communion (CW)	St Andrew’s
5.00pm	Contemplative Holy Communion	St Wilfrid’s

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## Today's Readings

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### **THE 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. Amen.

### **FIRST READING**

*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. <sup>2</sup> So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, <sup>3</sup> saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' <sup>4</sup> Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, <sup>5</sup> '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. <sup>6</sup> As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. <sup>7</sup> I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." <sup>8</sup> But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." <sup>9</sup> But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." <sup>10</sup> This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. <sup>11</sup> At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. <sup>12</sup> 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. <sup>13</sup> 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; <sup>14</sup> he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." <sup>15</sup> And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup> 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." <sup>17</sup> 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?' <sup>18</sup> 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.'

## **SECOND READING**

*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. <sup>2</sup> And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup> 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;

<sup>4</sup> 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.'

<sup>5</sup> 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.' <sup>6</sup> 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.

## **THE GOSPEL**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *N.*  
**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

*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. <sup>32</sup> If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup> 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." <sup>34</sup> I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

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

**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 for ever. Amen.