

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, KYRENIA



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Sunday 3rd May – Easter 4



With us all being in lockdown and with no church services we can stay together by sharing what would be our church service each Sunday, with the Collect, Psalm and Readings and also of course a Prayer List.

Please pray for the following throughout the coming week

Ian and Linda Smith, Mike Lukey, Win Smith, Sandi Richardson, Frances Allen, Dave Sturgess, Olivia Hodgkinson, Rosemary Dixon, Jeanette and David Burton, baby Louie Syddall, June Llewellyn, Suzee Moore, Padmesh Gartaula, Stan Keevil, David and Sue Walker, Barbara Symons, along with those mentioned in our remembrance book. We pray also for strength and grace for those who carry the burden of care.

We remember our student congregation and those who live alone who may be finding it particularly difficult presently.

We remember those who have departed and those who mourn their loss.

Please contact the Wardens to include persons to be remembered in our prayers

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Collect:

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father. **AMEN**

Post Communion:

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father. **AMEN**

First Reading: Acts 2: 42-47 (NRSV)

The newly baptized 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.

Psalms 23 (Common Worship)

1 The Lord is my shepherd; **therefore can I lack nothing.**

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures **and leads me beside still waters.**

3 He shall refresh my soul **and guide me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.**

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; **for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; **you have anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full.**

6 Surely goodness and loving mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, **and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; **as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever.**
Amen

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2: 19-25 (NRSV)

It is to your credit if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, where is the credit in that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. 'He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.' When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Gospel Reading: John 10: 1-10 (NRSV)

Jesus said to the Pharisees, 'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

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.'

NOTICES

One of our parishioners has asked if we could perhaps find out what is being done locally to help the community here in the TRNC, as there seems to be a lot being done by individuals but it's not being widely publicised or coordinated. They, and they feel others too, would like to support those efforts. If you are involved in, or are aware of, any initiatives local to you can you please send details to office@standrewskyrenia.org If there is a large enough response it can be coordinated and sent out to the electoral roll so everyone is aware of all the initiatives that might need support and input at this difficult time.

Thursday morning Praise e-Service

As it seems likely that we will be unable to hold services at St Andrew's for the foreseeable future, **Thursday Morning Praise** is going to continue as an e-service. Steve Bishop has kindly prepared Morning Praise e-Services and that means regular attendees at that service will be emailed a full service text including Scripture readings, a (short) talk and prayer suggestions.

If you do not regularly attend the Thursday service but would like to partake please send an email to Steve at stevebrcs@yahoo.co.uk so that he can include you.