



**NOTE: All services are broadcast live on Facebook\***

\*Please see a Welcomer or Church Warden for advice on where to sit to avoid the camera

### **0900 Said Eucharist**

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson  
Churchwarden: Bill S  
Reader: John S  
Intercessor: Revd Emma

### **1030 Joint Service**

Officiant: Revd Emma  
Churchwarden: Phil T  
Musicians: Simon, Choir and Singers  
Readers: Phil T  
Intercessor: Emma K  
Chalice: Robert B  
Welcomers: Ann D  
Powerpoint: David H

**Music:** 137 (NEH) Come down, O love divine, 431 (NEH) O thou who camest from above, 181 Holy Spirit, we welcome you, 140 (NEH) Holy Spirit, come, confirm us Spirit of the living God fall afresh on me, Breathe on me breath of God, The Spirit lives to set us free

**Anthem:** Come, Holy Ghost – Attwood

**Please come wearing something flame coloured!**



# Readings for Sunday 24 May

## Pentecost

### Collect

God, who as at this time  
taught the hearts of your faithful people  
by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit:  
grant us by the same Spirit  
to have a right judgement in all things  
and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort;  
through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever

**Acts 2.1-21** – *page 1093*

**Psalm 104**

**I Corinthians 12.3b-13** – *page 1153*

**John 20.19-23** – *page 1089*

### Post Communion

Faithful God,  
who fulfilled the promises of Easter  
by sending us your Holy Spirit  
and opening to every race and nation  
the way of life eternal:  
open our lips by your Spirit,  
that every tongue may tell of your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Musings from the vicarage

This week it has been such a special time being in that in-between time between Ascension and Pentecost, consciously praying for the coming of the Holy Spirit. Thank you all for intentionally praying for people to be touched by God this week – it has brought tears to my eyes every time the names have been read out at morning prayer and as we have prayed, come Holy Spirit, come.

Since the very beginning of the Church, these nine days between Ascension and Pentecost – the Novena – have been a time of prayer. And not just prayer as individuals, but as a community, like those first members of the Church, which is what we have been doing – thank you to those who have joined me at morning prayer, at communion and at our bible study group on Tuesday evening.



That first Novena, the Apostles did not pray for God to take the gospel into the world. They prayed for the coming of the Holy Spirit, that it would change them and give them the power to go out and share the good news. It is important that we remember that prayer is not simply about asking God to change the world. It's as much about asking God to change us. It a fact that prayer shapes the pray-er as well, and God, like the potter reshapes clay, reshapes us, moulding us into a truer reflection of his image.

The Thy Kingdom Come reflections on the Every Day Faith app have focused on how prayer changes things and how in every case, with the different characters that we have studied, their prayers are accompanied by action, just as the disciples burst into action after Pentecost, empowered by the Holy Spirit.

This Sunday is probably one of the most dangerous Sundays to come to church, because if we really do want to receive again the gift of the Holy Spirit, which we were given at our Baptism, then we need to be prepared for God to stir up new things in us as individuals and as the church. And that is both exciting and scary. But you know the good thing is that the Holy Spirit will give us all that we need to do whatever it is that God is asking us too - we just have to be open and trust.



Just as he gave Ruth the determination to remain with her mother-in-law Naomi even though she was being told to stay where it was comfy; just as Samuel learned to recognise the voice of God in the midst of all the other distractions; just as Gideon was given the confidence to go out into battle with a much reduced army; just as Philip found the words to speak to the Ethiopian royal official; so will God, through the power of the Holy Spirit, give us all that we

need for the work that he is calling us too as individuals and a church. How exciting it that!

So I encourage you to wait on the Lord and to come to church on Sunday expectant with open hands, hearts and minds, ready to receive once again the gift of the Holy Spirit and to make your prayer: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people and kindle in us the fire of your love.



Revd Emma



**Thy Kingdom Come** continues until Pentecost on Sunday and everyone is welcome to join me in church at 9:00 on Friday and Saturday for Morning Prayer where we will continue to pray for all those whose names were written down on Sunday during our services and for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit on us at KCM.

I personally have found it helpful to pray intentionally in this way and so will be continuing to say Morning Prayer in Church on a Monday and Thursday morning at 9:00 starting Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May. Anyone is welcome to join me and please use the prayer box in the prayer corner to let me know anything specific that you would like us to be praying for.

**A huge thank you to Jenny** who has crocheted a Charlies Angels sheep ready to be sent off to be part of the flock that goes to parliament as part of the national month of prayer for Toddler Groups. He was blessed during our 1100 service last Sunday and enjoyed joining in with the singing!



He then went along to Charlies Angels on Wednesday, and having put his crown firmly in place has been sent off to join the flock of sheep who are going to Parliament on 1 June for a reception to mark the beginning of the month of prayer for Toddler Groups. Don't forget to keep praying for Charlies Angels, for the 20+ children who we have on our books, and for Lynn, Janet and Stella as they lead this vital work.

## Prayer – Week beginning 24 May

We invite you to pray on a Wednesday morning, no matter where you are, for our community, our town and the wellbeing of all.

**Please pray for:** a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit on each and every one of us. You may like to use this song as a prayer: *Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me, Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me, melt me, mould me, fill me, use me, Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Amen*

**Those who live in:** Aberdale Gardens, Allandale Crescent, The Approach

**The recently departed:** Graham Leonard, Margaret Scheuber, Margaret Bowers, and any others known to us personally.

**Anniversary of death:** May Beaumont, Paul Minikin, Laurie Barrell, Wally Pye, Doris Carter and all whose anniversary falls at this time.

If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, please contact the ministry team to have a chat or ask to speak to one of the pastoral team who will be happy to support you. The prayer list is published each week. **It is reviewed at the end of each month, so please let us know if you wish a name to stay on the list.** If you or a loved one are not on the list and would like to be added, please do let Revd Emma or the Office know. In line with the Parish Prayer Policy, please ensure that you have permission from the person whose name you wish to add to the list. If you wish to see a copy of the Parish Prayer Policy then please contact the office.

### Family News

**Judith's cousin** who has been on our prayer list, would like to thank us all for our prayers. He is recovering well and feels that the prayers have been significant in this. We keep him in our prayers.

## Coming up in church and on Facebook

**Sunday 31 May – Trinity Sunday**

**Readings:** Isaiah 40.12-17, 27-end, Psalm 8, 2 Corinthians 13.11-end, Matthew 28.16-end

## 0930 Sung Eucharist

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson  
Churchwarden: Bill S  
Musicians: Simon and Choir  
Readers: Helen S  
Intercessor: Lynn J  
Chalice: Lynn J  
Welcomers: Steve J

**Music:** 146 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! 393 Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us, 410 My God, how wonderful thou art, 373 (tune 699) How shall I sing that majesty

**Anthem:** Holy, holy, holy - Schubert

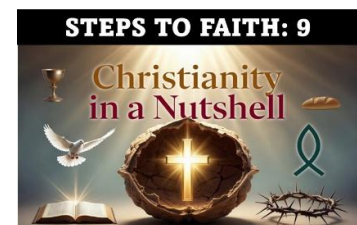
## 1100 Café Church

Officiant: David T  
Churchwarden: Phil T  
Readers: Sue T  
Intercessor: Terry H  
Welcomers: David H, Sue T



Enjoy coffee and pastries while we explore together the basics of Christianity. You will be made very welcome – whatever your background or beliefs.

Sunday 31st May  
KCM Church Main Hall 10.45



Prof David Thomson

David will be continuing our Steps to Faith series by explaining Christianity in a Nutshell – so come and find out what is at the core of our faith. Everyone, whatever age, is welcome to join us at 10:45 for coffee and pastries in the main hall. Café church is an informal way of doing church together and you are all most welcome.

## Sunday 31 May - 1600 Worship Discovery Afternoon

Singing together is a great way to worship God and over the past few years



there have been some beautiful new worship songs written. On **Sunday 31 May at 1600** we will be coming together for an informal time of sung worship to learn some of these new songs. There will be a mixture of songs and bible readings. We anticipate this lasting

about an hour, and it will be followed by light refreshments. Do come and join us. If you would like to be part of a group who learns the songs in advance, there will be an hour's practice on **Friday 29 May at 1930 in church and a short practice Sunday 31 May at 1500** before the service. Please do come and join us as we worship God together.

### ***Dates for your diary and for prayer***

*Each week our worship follows this pattern*

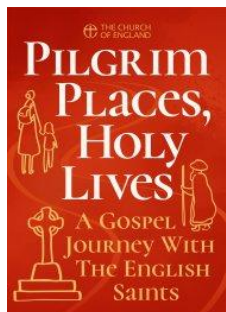
<b>Tuesday morning</b>	<i>1000 Eucharist</i>
<b>Wednesday morning</b>	<i>Please take a few minutes to pray for our community</i>
<b>Sunday morning</b>	<i>0930 Sung Eucharist; 1100 Morning Worship</i>
<b>Sunday 24 May</b>	<i>0900 Said communion service 1030 Joint Service for Pentecost</i>
<b>Wednesday 27 May</b>	<i>No Charlies Angels due to half-term</i>
<b>Sunday 31 May</b>	<i>1045 Cafe Church 1600 Worship discovery Afternoon</i>
<b>Monday 1 June</b>	<i>1630 Finance committee meeting</i>
<b>Thursday 4 June</b>	<i>2000 Joint Corpus Christi Service at St Mary's</i>
<b>Tuesday 9 June</b>	<i>1045 and 1930 Bible study groups</i>
<b>Wednesday 10 June</b>	<i>1930 Staff meeting</i>
<b>Sunday 14 June</b>	<i>Potters Bar Carnival – no 1100 service</i>

# NOTICES

**Flowers.** The flowers for Pentecost have kindly been donated by Terri Burrows. If you would like to donate towards the flowers to remember a loved one or for a special occasion, please sign the list at the back of church or speak to Steve or Judith.

**Electoral Roll.** Thank you to everyone who has joined our electoral roll this year and to Maureen T for collating it for us. It will now be published and displayed at the back of church with names only. If you want to check your details, a full list is available in the office or on a Sunday morning with Maureen.

**APCM.** Our APCM (Annual Parochial Church Meeting) on 27 May at 1900 is fast approaching. This is a very important meeting in the life of our church as we give thanks to God for the past year and look towards all that is to come. We would love you all to join us and we promise that it won't be a boring evening! The cafe team have very kindly agreed to pay for our refreshments. If you would like to come, **please sign the sheet at the back of church, or email the office indicating your food choice.** We look forward to seeing you there.



**Bible Study Groups.** Thank you to everyone for signing the sheet at the back of church giving your preferences for Bible Study groups. Over the Summer, I plan to use some new materials from the Church of England called 'Pilgrim places, Holy Lives'. These materials explore how Christianity took root in Anglo-Saxon England, and how those who responded to it can still inspire and encourage us today. They hope that by studying the lives of some of Britain's saints, we will see them not merely as remarkable people from the past but as fellow travellers on the pilgrim journey who can shape our identity, our worship and witness to the world today. Everybody welcome to join us. **We will meet on Tuesdays at either 10:45 following the morning communion or 7:30 at the vicarage on Tuesdays 9<sup>th</sup> June, 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 7<sup>th</sup> July and 21<sup>st</sup> July.** Each session will stand alone, so please feel free to come to one or more as you are able.

**Candles in the prayer area.** Tealights are available in our prayer area for anyone to light when praying. Please could we ask that when lighting them, you use the lighter provided and not the oil candles if they are lit. The reason for

this is that the wax drips on to the candles and seals the wick in place so that it is difficult to refill them with oil. Many thanks. Lynn J

**Church Social Events.** As a church community it is good to get together outside of Sunday services for fellowship and to do life together. We would like to be able to put on more social events and fun things to do together but need to know what people would like. Attached to the newsletter, and available at the Cafe and the back of church, is a questionnaire which we would be grateful if you would complete and then return to Helen, Maureen, Emma or Chris.



**Hertsmere Local Plan.** I hope lots of you went along to the public consultation held at the Wylotts this week to look at the proposed local plan for Hertsmere. The planners and counsellors want to hear your views before Friday 29 May.

You can share your views at

[www.hertsmere.localplan.commonplace.is/](http://www.hertsmere.localplan.commonplace.is/) or by emailing [local.plan@hertsmere.gov.uk](mailto:local.plan@hertsmere.gov.uk) or by using the QR code.



**Churches Together Holiday Club.** Bookings are now open for our Holiday club. Don't miss out on a place for your children or grandchildren!

**SHIPWRECKED**  
**BOOKING NOW OPEN**  
A Summer Holiday Club in Jonah  
at King Charles the Martyr Church,  
Mutton Lane, Potters Bar  
Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2026  
9.30 am - 1pm  
<https://cclh.churchsuite.com/events/po7pz0mp>  
For Primary Aged Children School Years 1-6 - £30  
Teens - School Years 7-12 - Free

**Safeguarding Awareness:** This week an awareness drive to increase understanding of financial abuse has been launched. The initiative aims to highlight what people can do to "stay in control", even if they have reduced capacity to manage their own money. Financial abuse includes having money or property stolen, being defrauded or 'scammed', being put under pressure in relation to money or other property, or having money or other property misused. A useful service to contact for support is Hourglass. They have a 24 hour help line 0808 808 8141 and more information can be found on their website [Hourglass Services | Hourglass](#)



**Eco Tip Pentecost:** This Bank Holiday/ half term try and connect with wider creation through walking, cycling or simply sitting in the natural world and sense the Holy Spirit's presence there.

### **Potters Bar Food Bank**

Thank you to everyone who has recently donated to the Food Bank. They are always so grateful for our donations. Currently, they are particularly in need of milk, biscuits, tinned fruit and toilet roll.

Please leave your donations in the boxes in the Link Corridor.

Access to the foodbank is by referral, please speak to local clergy in confidence.

## Supporting the work and mission of this church

The Church of King Charles the Martyr provides a spiritual focus and outstanding facilities for the local community. It is **OUR** church and like all charities is dependent on the generosity of its members, the local community, and others to make it prosper.

The church and halls cost us over **£3000 a week** to run and this isn't possible without your generosity.

*If you would like to support the work of the Church of King Charles the Martyr, you can do this either as a one off or by joining our regular giving scheme please speak to our Treasurer to set up **regular giving** to help us plan*

- by joining the Parish Giving Scheme [Potters Bar King Charles - Parish Giving Scheme](#)
- with the **cashless giving machine in church or online** on our webpage.
- **Remember us in your Will.** Legacies are a tax efficient way of giving to the church. Please do think about us when making or revising your Will.
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## How to access services at KCM

**Sunday mornings** go to the church website [www.kcm-church.org.uk](http://www.kcm-church.org.uk) and click on the link on that page it will take you to Facebook where you will be able to click on the LIVE streaming or watch the services from previous weeks.

If you are in church, please be aware that services are live streamed and that you may like to sit nearer the back if you do not wish to be on camera.

## How to stay in touch

This notice sheet is posted on our website each week, emailed to all those on our mailing list and posted to those without email access. *If you would like to receive a paper copy of this notice sheet please contact the office.*

The Church office is open on Monday and Thursday between 9am and 12 noon. Outside of these hours email and calls are monitored but please be aware it may take a few days to get back to you. Alternatively, you can contact our vicar, Revd Emma on 01707 661266 or 07549516589 or [vicar@kcm-church.org.uk](mailto:vicar@kcm-church.org.uk)

We have a **KCM Family WhatsApp** group for information about the church and a **KCM Social WhatsApp** group to share the more lighthearted social chat – if you would like to join these groups please contact Revd Emma or the wardens to be added.

## Keep an eye on our social media

YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbHtNFKZaN7fHVIkIL2tYUQ>

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/KCMChurchPottersBar/>

Please send information for this notice sheet to Imogen at [office@kcm-church.org.uk](mailto:office@kcm-church.org.uk) by 5pm Wednesday evening.  
In case of pastoral need, please contact Revd Emma.

### Contact details:

<b>The Vicar</b>	<b>Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson</b>	<b>Rest Day:</b>
		<b>Friday</b>
	01707 661266 / 07549516589	vicar@

***Please email the relevant person and we will get back to you as soon as we can.***

All email addresses are [xxx@kcm-church.org.uk](mailto:xxx@kcm-church.org.uk)

<b>Lay Minister / Reader</b>	David Thomson	reader@
<b>Church Warden</b>	Phil Townsend	churchwarden1@
<b>Church Warden</b>	Bill Simpson	churchwarden2@
<b>Safeguarding Officer</b>	Helen Schmitz	safeguarding@
<b>Admin Assistant</b>	Imogen St Pierre	office@
<b>PCC Secretary</b>	Nicola Thrussell	pccsecretary@
<b>Treasurer</b>	Steve Jones	treasurer@
<b>Children and Families Worker</b>	Vacant	families@
<b>Youth Worker</b>	Vacant	youth@
<b>Music</b>	Simon Worley	music@

For all hall enquires please email Imogen or Nikki using the halls address [www.kcm-church.org.uk](http://www.kcm-church.org.uk) or by phone 01707665579 and leave a message, and they will respond as soon as they can.

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