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# WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S

## Sunday 12 May, Fourth Sunday of Easter

*If you are a visitor, please do introduce yourself to the chaplain  
or one of our welcomers. Toilets are downstairs.*

**Christ is risen from the dead, the first fruits of  
those who have fallen asleep.**

**8:30 Holy Communion (traditional language)** followed by breakfast

**11:00 Holy Communion** with group for children. There is a play area for small children in the room beside the church. Refreshments and a shared lunch will be served after the service, and all are welcome to stay. A warm welcome to the group from Lichfield Diocese (UK) who are visiting us today.

Leader: The Chaplain

Preacher and Celebrant: Bishop Michael Ipgrave, Bishop of Lichfield

Intercessions: Margret Satterthwaite

Chalices: Chaplain, Louise Nanchen

### Hymns

94 - City of God, how broad and far

637 - The Lord's my shepherd

202 - God is love

67 - Blessed assurance

### 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

**Reading: Acts 9.36-43 (Dan Culbertson)**

36 Now in Jaffa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. <sup>37</sup>At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. <sup>38</sup>Since Lydda was near Jaffa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' <sup>39</sup>So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. <sup>40</sup>Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. <sup>41</sup>He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. <sup>42</sup>This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. <sup>43</sup>Meanwhile he stayed in Jaffa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

**Psalm 23**

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.**

**All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
As it was in the beginning, is now and shall be forever. Amen**

**Reading: Revelation 7.9-17 (Maria Kililidi)**

9 After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup>They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the

Lamb!’ <sup>11</sup>And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, <sup>12</sup>singing, ‘Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.’ <sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, ‘Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?’ <sup>14</sup>I said to him, ‘Sir, you are the one that knows.’ Then he said to me, ‘These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. <sup>15</sup>For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. <sup>16</sup>They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; <sup>17</sup>for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.’

### ***Gospel: John 10.22-30***

<sup>22</sup>At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup>and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. <sup>24</sup>So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, ‘How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.’ <sup>25</sup>Jesus answered, ‘I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name testify to me; <sup>26</sup>but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. <sup>27</sup>My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup>I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup>What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father’s hand. <sup>30</sup>The Father and I are one.’

## **Forthcoming services**

***Morning prayer will be said this week in church at 8.30am on Tuesday - Thursday.***

**Tuesday 14 May 17:00** Ladies bible study at parsonage. Speak to Rachel or Alison for information.

**Wednesday 15 May 19:00** Holy Communion

20:00 Lecture (in Russian): Майское древо и танцы в церковном дворе: церковь “Веселой Англии”

**Sunday 19 May 8:30** Holy Communion (traditional language)

**11:00** Holy Communion with Sunday school

## Future dates

Saturday 25 May: The British Business Club are running a **river cruise** in aid of the Restoration challenge. Tickets 10k roubles. Registration at

[www.britishclub.ru](http://www.britishclub.ru)

Sunday 2 June: 11am **Joint service with MPC followed by a BBQ**

Saturday 15 June, 12 noon – 6pm: **St Andrew's summer fete**

Saturday 29 June, 12 noon: **Wedding of Daniel and Polina**

## Daily Bible Readings following Easter

There is a great app with daily readings for the season of Easter:

***EasterPilgrim***. Daily bible readings can be found on the ***Daily Prayer app***.

We also have a prayer feed on the ***PrayerMate app***. Look for us under 'Churches – European'.

## In our prayers:

- Pray for the group from Lichfield diocese, for a great time in Russia and opportunities to grow in God as they meet and worship with his people here.
- Continue to pray for Mike and Zena Zdorow, as they prepare to move to Florida, and expect a baby in August. Pray for the Moscow Protestant Chaplaincy, for the committee seeking a new minister, and for those who will be supporting the congregation during the vacancy. Pray for Daniel as he heads up the MPC social work with refugees.
- We thank God for a donation of £15k from BP (Russia) towards the restoration of St Andrew's. Thank God for all who have given so generously. Pray that God will provide the additional \$320k that we need for repairs to our foundation and for the design work for the restoration of roof and walls. Pray that those considering giving grants or donations might look favourably on us
- Pray for those who are suffering as a result of the tragedy at Sheremetova. Pray for those bereaved, those injured and those traumatised. Pray particularly for the pilots and surviving crew.
- Pray for the family and friends of David Morley, Ivan, and Catherine Freeth, as they grieve their death and commend them into the hands of God.

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