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WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S AND MPC

Sunday 2 June, Seventh Sunday of Easter

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

Alleluia, alleluia. Go and make disciples of all nations, says the Lord. Remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

8:30 Holy Communion (traditional language)

11:00 St Andrew's and MPC joint service of Holy Communion with group for children. There is a play area for small children in the room beside the church. Refreshments and a BBQ will be served after the service

Leader and preacher: Rev Canon Malcolm Rogers (St Andrew's Chaplain)

Intercessions: David Brock

Hymns

254 – Heaven is open wide

77 – Breathe on me, breath of God

324 – I the Lord of sea and sky

366 – Judge eternal, throned in splendour

During communion:

MPC Choir will lead us in worship.

Collect:

Risen, ascended Lord, as we rejoice at your triumph, fill your Church on earth with power and compassion, that all who are estranged by sin may find forgiveness and know your peace, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

***Wash me clean in that cool river; Wash my soul in that pure water
Wash me clean in that cool river, Lord, make me new***

Ezekiel 36.24-28 (Leo Aliri)

²⁴I will take you from the nations, and gather you from all the countries, and bring you into your own land. ²⁵I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. ²⁶A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. ²⁷I will put my spirit within you, and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. ²⁸Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

Psalm 97

1 The Lord is king: let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of the isles be glad.

2 Clouds and darkness are round about him;

righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.

3 Fire goes before him and burns up his enemies on every side.

4 His lightnings lit up the world; the earth saw it and trembled.

5 The mountains melted like wax at the presence of the Lord,
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

**6 The heavens declared his righteousness,
and all the peoples have seen his glory.**

7 Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in mere idols.
Bow down before him, all you gods.

**8 Zion heard and was glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoiced,
because of your judgements, O Lord.**

9 For you, Lord, are most high over all the earth;
you are exalted far above all gods.

**10 The Lord loves those who hate evil; he preserves the lives of his faithful
and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.**

11 Light has sprung up for the righteous and joy for the true of heart.

12 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name.

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: Acts 16.16-34 (Mark Willson)

¹⁶One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. ¹⁷While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' ¹⁸She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very

hour.¹⁹ But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities.²⁰ When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews²¹ and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.'²² The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods.²³ After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely.²⁴ Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them.²⁶ Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened.²⁷ When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped.²⁸ But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.'²⁹ The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas.³⁰ Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?'³¹ They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.'³² They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house.³³ At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay.³⁴ He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Gospel: John 17.20-26

²⁰'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word,²¹ that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.²² The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one,²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.²⁴ Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

²⁵'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me.²⁶ I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

Forthcoming services/events

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

Wednesday 5 June 19:00 Evening Prayer

20:00 Discussion: How does the worldwide Anglican communion work?

Sunday 9 June (Pentecost Sunday)

8:30 Holy Communion (traditional language)

11:00 St Andrew's Service of Holy Communion with groups for children

15:00 Moscow Protestant chaplaincy service

Summer Fete

Saturday 15 June, 12 noon – 17:00 Stalls, children's games, books, great food, tower tours, Flying Bananas drama group performing Treasure Island

Moscow Protestant Chaplaincy

The refugee work is putting on a children's party on June 20th. They need volunteers to help during the party. If you are interested, please contact Daniel.

Other events

You are invited to **Daniel and Polina's wedding** on Saturday 29 June at 12 noon. Please speak to them if you are hoping to come.

Saturday 6 July: **Tour of Vvedenskoe cemetery**, where many foreigners were buried before the revolution. Led by Helen Watson. Leave St Andrew's at 11am and return by 3.30pm. Cost 1500 roubles in aid of restoration. Contact Pat or Helen for info.

Thy Kingdom Come

A time of prayer between Ascension and Pentecost. If you would like to take part, visit www.thykingdomcome.global, or download the **Thy Kingdom Come** app

In our prayers:

- Pray for the Thy Kingdom Come initiative, that our prayer will be deepened and enriched as we realise our dependence on Holy Spirit. Pray for a renewed experience of God; for five people who you would love to come to know God.
- Pray for our two congregations: the appointment of a pastor at MPC, and for those who have responsibility while there is no pastor. For St Andrew's: that we will grow in numbers, faith, love, generosity; for setting up of small groups.
- We thank God for this building, and pray for money needed for the restoration

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