

ST LEONARD'S & ST MARY'S

CONNECT



*Do not let your hearts be troubled, ...
I am the way, and the truth and the Life*

The weekly news from your church community
Sunday 10th May — the Fifth Sunday of Easter

Easter 2020 Week 5

How are you doing? Is there anything troubling you? Please do remember that your Pastoral Teams and Clergy are here for you. Although we cannot have physical contact we are happy to chat on the Phone or even have a video call. Remember our buildings may be closed but the Church, her people are still active , praying and caring for you.

Our Gospel reading for this Sunday takes us to John chapter 14 verses 1-14. There we find Jesus gathered with his disciples on the evening before his crucifixion, and as Jesus speaks he shares some of his last words and thoughts with those at supper with him. Jesus fully aware of what awaits him in the morning wants to prepare and comfort his disciples. The days ahead will bring many trials and tribulations as well as moments of wonder, awe and new life. A great change is about to happen and things will not be as they once were. Jesus encourages his friends to take heart, and not to become overly worried but to place their trust afresh in him who is the great I am, the way the truth and the life!

We too are going through a period of forced change. Yes, there might be glimpses of an end but I sense we will not be set free to how things once were but be released, in time, into a new way of cautious living.

Therefore, the words of Jesus even today ring true for us as his friends, his disciples. We are not to let our hearts be troubled but to trust in Jesus as our Lord and God. Like the disciples adjusting to the new reality that Jesus had died, was buried and now was living again we too need to adjust to our new circumstances and the new ways we may have to shop, or travel and even interact. What will church services look like in the coming months. There are many unanswered questions but let us face the day seeking to follow our Lord's word, living by his truth and rejoicing in the life he gives us.

Do not let your hearts be troubled turn to God in prayer and with faith hold onto his promises that he is with us, and is preparing a place for us as well . Remember too that you can turn to God's family to for help and a chat. For we are part of his family, members of God's household and are here to love and care for one another whatever the days ahead may bring

With love from Peter and the family

Being Church in these strange times?

How can we be church now that everything has changed? Yes there are signs or glimpses of us possibly coming out of Lockdown and the churches too may be able to reopen our doors in the coming months. However, large gatherings may still be cancelled and social distancing measures be in place for other smaller events for sometime to come.

So in touching base with you this week I am wondering how you are doing and wondered if you could spend a few moments thinking about these questions. I welcome your responses by email, letter or phone call as we begin to identify needs and ways in which we as a church family may be able to be church to you and the community around us.

- 1: What's hardest about being a Christian right now?
- 2: How could the church family support you?
- 3: How could you support others in the church family?
- 4: What do you miss about how things were?
- 5: What are you learning to embrace about how things are?
- 6: What are you getting used to?
- 7: What are you still finding difficult?
- 8: Where do you need God's courage at the moment?
- 9: Where do you need God's comfort?
- 10: Have you engaged with any of the online worship?
- 11: Are the Pastoral telephone calls been helpful?

The church does not close,
only the building. Because we
are the church, the living
body of our Lord Jesus
and we are everywhere.



St. Leonard's and St. Mary's Lockdown Project

We would like to create a book which reflects our experience of lockdown, and which will be available for us to reflect on in the future. We hope it will document how we as a church family got through this difficult time which is affecting all of us.



And so we invite you to send in any artwork, photos, pictures, pieces of writing, poems, perhaps special recipes – anything that is meaningful to you and which can be printed in a book and which reflects your experiences of being in lockdown as individuals, in your family, and as church. You can be as creative as you like, but please include an explanation of what it means to you! You can send in multiple items, but not all may be included depending on how much we receive (we would check with you as to what would be most important to you to be included if this happens).

Think about what has kept you going, what has been meaningful for you, how you have occupied yourself, and what has been challenging for you.

Please send the items you wish to be included in the book to me by email at Jacqui.durocher@gmail.com by the end of September 2020.

We hope you enjoy this project and will all join in as much as possible.

Love to you all, *Jacqui & the doodles*

Offerings, Collections and Bishops Lent Appeal

During this time we are grateful to those who have been able to make Standing Order Donations as part of their offering to the ongoing work of the church. If you would like to do this please do speak to your Treasurer. Those using Weekly Collection envelopes are encouraged to still use them each week and to set them aside until we are able to collect them.

Likewise if you have donations for the Bishop's Lent Appeal please hold on to these at the moment until we can collect them from you. They should be returned to your church and not sent to the Diocese or Bishop at this time.

Thank You for your ongoing support and offerings

Izzy's News

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Hi Everyone,

It's been another week of mixed emotions for me and the Harris household. I miss people so much and get so excited when the Zoom bell goes and I hear you all joining in for worship. However at the same time I

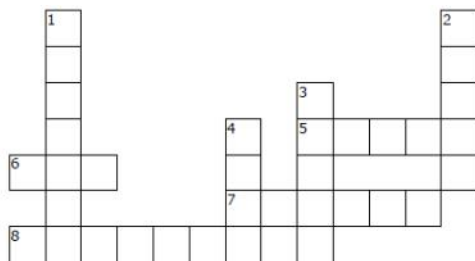
want to run to the door and bark and greet you in person and not just look at you on the screen.

I had a pleasant surprise at the beginning of the week though when my friends Mabel and Tilly came round with Jennie. With all this social distancing the adults sat apart in the garden and we dogs enjoyed a run round. It was lovely to see them and a pity I didn't get a picture of the three of us together, but here is a picture of Jennie with Tilley. Jennie has been really busy at this time learning Gaelic with Kathleen Donald and both of them were sitting an exam for a National 5 Gaelic award. 's math a rinn thu! to you two!



I wonder if you have been learning or doing anything new over this time of isolation and change? Do let me know. My own training is going well and I have trained Dad to know that when I paw him that I need out to do my business. Sam continues to do his studies and has a number of assignments to do before the end of June. Then he also has to decided where he goes next for university. Grace too is learning and hoping to earn a Princes Trust Achievement over the next few months. So it's a busy time at home but I just can't wait to get out and about and get to see you all again in the months and days ahead.

with love and licks from Izzy



ACROSS

5. Areas in a building that have their own walls, floor, ceiling, and door
6. The route or path to follow to get to a place
7. The male parent
8. To accept something as being true

DOWN

1. To get ready for something that will happen in the future
2. A building in which people, usually one family, lives
3. The actual facts about something
4. The period between birth and death

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ENOUGH	WAY	HEARTS	TROUBLED	TRUST
THOMAS	LIFE	MIRACLES	HOUSE	SEEN
SHOW	BELIEVE	KNOW	ROOMS	LIVING
FATHER	FAITH	PLACE	PREPARE	TRUTH

Based on this weeks Gospel reading from John 14:1-14



THY KINGDOM COME 2020

As we prepare to take part in this years "THY KINGDOM COME" prayer initiative we look forward to praying where we are but knowing that people across the world from Ascension day to Pentecost will be praying for the World, our communities, family and friends asking that God's Kingdom would come that his will would be done in our lives where we are.

Look out for more resources coming soon!.



We may not be meeting in the church building but you are welcome to brew a cuppa and join us on Zoom for

Online Coffee at Mary's
10:30 am Saturday Mornings

If you would like to be part of this Online Coffee Morning please email andrew@andrewwatt.org.uk for details of how to join the Zoom Meeting. *Andrew hosts this event on behalf of the churches.*



Marmalade, Jams and Chutney

We may be missing our monthly Bake Stall but we do have a stock of Marmalades, Jams and Chutney on sale and a new stock arriving soon courtesy of Jannia.

As well as Orange Marmalade there are some Lime or Lime and Lemon Marmalade. The Lime one received the Betty Tinley Seal of approval. So if you would like to place an order by phoning Fiona we can organise to drop some at your door when we are out and about dropping off the Newsletters.



St Mary's

stmarysdalkeith.org.uk

Open for Prayer

Sunday 9.30 to 10.30am

St Leonard's

stleonardslasswade.org.uk

Open for Prayer

Sunday 11 to 12noon

Find us on  **@StLandM**

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Do let us know if any need arises
at this time and we will try and help.

Both Churches are registered with the Scottish Charity Register as
St Leonard's Episcopal Church: Lasswade SC014151
St Mary's Episcopal Church: Dalkeith SC001677



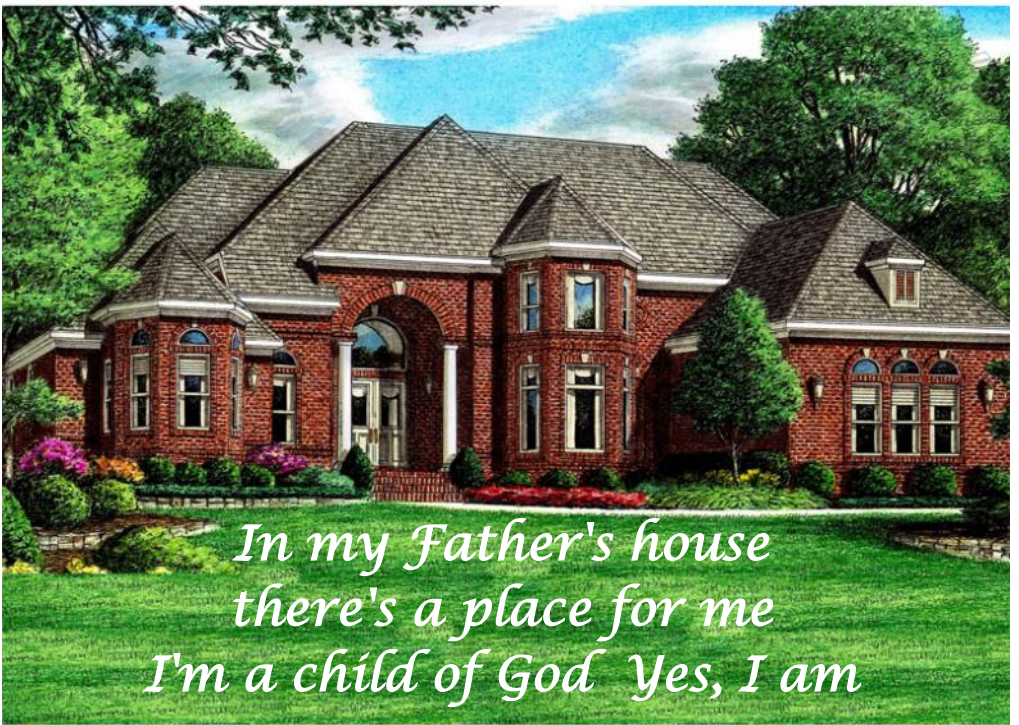
Here is what we are in most need of :

tubs of Pringles, crisps, snacks
cans of macaroni cheese, tins of ravioli,
cans of hot dogs, tins of chicken or Ham
Pot noodles , Hot Chocolate (add water variety)
Chocolate Spreads, Jams, Biscuits

We also, need good quality carrier bags the bags for life or the 50p/£1 bags from Morrison's or Tesco or Farmfoods. The parcels we deliver are often quite heavy and therefore strong bags are needed to carry them

Please note, we aren't asking over 70's or people with health problems to drop anything off to us but for those who can we are open from 10am to 10.30am on Wednesday Mornings at the Full Gospel Church Dalkeith High St.

Thank you for all your support as we reach our community with practical support and kindness at this time. Philip at the Store House



*In my Father's house
there's a place for me
I'm a child of God Yes, I am*

Fifth Sunday of Easter

If you have been unable to join with us online for our worship I pray that you will be able to use this liturgy to guide your own worship this week.

Weekly Worship Online

Sunday @ 10am with Eucharist Celebration

Wednesday @ 10am Informal Worship

*Find us at our Facebook group at St Mary's and St Leonard's Church Family
or Zoom in to worship by joining the meeting using*

ZOOM Meeting ID: 656 157 5203

*We will endeavour to improve the music quality during the service
and post the Hymns Online for us to sing along too.
you are also invited if you wish to light a candle and to have your own bread
ready to break in remembrance of Jesus love for each of us.*

Easter Acclamation - *Lighting of the Paschal Candle*

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Song:

TO GOD BE THE GLORY! great things He hath done!
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son;
And give Him the glory, great things He hath done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
To every believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son:
But purer and higher and greater will be
Our wonder, our worship, when Jesus we see!

The Welcome

The Lord be with you
And also with you

Confession Peter / Elizabeth

Christ died upon the cross that our sins could be forgiven
Let us therefore with faith confess our sins and receive his forgiveness.

**God our Father, we confess to you
and to our fellow members in the Body of Christ
that we have sinned in thought, word and deed,
and in what we have failed to do.**

**We are truly sorry. Forgive us our sins,
and deliver us from the power of evil,
for the sake of your Son who died for us, Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

God, who is both power and love, forgive us and free us
from our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit,
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect

**Almighty God,
your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life.
Give us grace to love one another
and walk in the way of his commandments,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.**

The Gospel John 14:1-14 Jacqui

*When the Gospel is announced we say
Glory to Christ our Saviour*

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?”

Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life.

No one comes to the Father except through me. If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said, “Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us.” Jesus answered: “Don’t you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Don’t you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves.

Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel
Praise to Christ our Lord.

Reflection Mike

Intercessions Bill

The Peace

May the Peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Worship and praise belong to you, Author of all being.
Your power sustains, your love restores, our broken world.
You are unceasingly at work from chaos bringing order
and filling emptiness with life.

Christ, raised from the dead, proclaims the dawn of hope,
He lives in us that we may walk in light.

**Your Spirit is fire in us,
your breath is power
to warm our hearts to love.**

As children of your redeeming purpose,
freed by him who burst from the tomb
and opened the gate of life,
we offer you our praise,
with angels and archangels
and the whole company of heaven,
singing the hymn of your unending glory:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the highest.**

Praise and thanksgiving be to you, Lord of all,
for by the Cross eternal life is ours
and death is swallowed up in victory.

In the first light of Easter glory broke from the tomb
and changed the women's sorrow into joy.
From the Garden the mystery dawned
that he whom they had loved and lost
is with us now in every place for ever.

Making himself known in the breaking of the bread,
speaking peace to the fearful disciples,
welcoming weary fishers on the shore,
he renewed the promise of his presence,
and of new birth in the Spirit

Before he was given up to suffering and death,
at supper with his disciples
he broke the bread, and gave it to them,
saying: 'Take, eat.
This is my Body: it is broken for you.'

After supper, he took the cup,
he offered you thanks,
and gave it to them saying: 'Drink this, all of you.
This is my Blood of the new covenant;
it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

**We now obey your Son's command.
We recall his blessed passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension;
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts
and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice.**

Hear us, most merciful Father,
and send your Holy Spirit upon us
and bless our bread and wine,
that we may renewed
for the service of your Kingdom.

**Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of Christ's Body
to live and work to your praise and glory;
may we grow together in unity and love
until at last, in your new creation,
we enter into our heritage in the company of the Virgin Mary,
the apostles and prophets, and of all our brothers and sisters
living and departed.**

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be to you,
Lord of all ages, world without end. Amen.

Breaking the Bread

The living bread is broken
for the life of the world
Lord, unite us in this sign.

Lord's Prayer

As Christ has taught us so we pray

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

Distribution of Communion

You may say this prayer as the Priest takes bread and wine on our behalf:

*God of infinite mercy, we thank you for Jesus our Saviour,
who feeds his people and gives them eternal life.
Though we cannot consume the gifts of bread and wine this day,
we thank you that we do receive Christ's saving presence,
the forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of his passion.
Grant that we may continue for ever in the Risen Life of our Saviour. Amen*

Prayer after Communion

**Lord Jesus you have been revealed to us
as the way, the truth, and the life.
Help us to walk in your way, to know your truth and
and to celebrate your resurrection that brings us new life.
Amen**

Blessing

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
that great shepherd of the sheep,
through the blood of the eternal covenant,
make you perfect in every good work to do his will,
working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight;
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen!

Song

WHO AM I

that the highest King
Would welcome me
I was lost but He brought me in
Oh, His love for me
Oh, His love for me

Who the Son sets free
Oh, is free indeed
I'm a child of God Yes, I am
In my Father's house
There's a place for me
I'm a child of God Yes, I am

Free at last,
He has ransomed me
O His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin
Jesus died for me
Yes, He died for me