

CTR EASTER QUIZ – ANSWERS

1. How many people are there listening to Jesus? **17**
2. What colour is the happy farmer wearing? **Yellow (also accept Orange)**
3. How many wine glasses can you see? **3**
4. What is on the ground next to Jesus? **Basket**
5. How many people are watching Jesus wash Peter's feet? **6**
6. How many disciples are around the table with Jesus? **12**
7. What were the soldiers holding? **Spears (also accept Javelins)**
8. What shape can you see in the sky behind the cross? **Heart**
9. What colour is Mary's scarf? **Pink**
10. How many Easter eggs can you see in the picture? **9**

LETTER QUIZ PHRASE: **H E I S A L I V E**

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The One Can donation box is outside the Church so that we can continue to make our gifts to this worthy cause. Caroline will continue to take what has been collected on our behalf and deliver it to the main collection centre. Thanks very much to everyone who continues to support this cause.

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PARISH CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, LACEY GREEN



Coming to Faith, Growing in Faith

Week Commencing
SUNDAY 18th April 2021
3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

WELCOME TO TODAY'S WORSHIP

You are warmly welcomed to St. John's Church, particularly if you are new to our congregation or are a visitor. St. John's is a member Church of the Risborough Team Ministry, serving the parish of Lacey Green, Loosely Row and Speen. Our Sunday service will be led by our Vicar, Canon Tony.

WORSHIP AT ST. JOHN'S – UPDATE

The PCC met on Tuesday and it was decided that **from Sunday 25th April** it will be safe to resume in-church worship on Sundays and Tuesdays using the same pattern of worship used before the third National Lockdown. We will be continuing to hold an on-line service on Zoom, but this will revert to 11:00 am. So, the pattern of services **from 25th April** will be as follows:

- Sundays – 10:00 in-church Said Parish Communion Service.
- Sundays – 11:00 On-line Morning Worship with Hymns (Zoom).
- Tuesdays – 09:30 00 in-church Said Parish Communion Service.

For the in-church services, Holy Communion will be in one kind only and the 2-metre social distancing requirement will apply. Contact details of those attending will need to be recorded in a suitable notebook and details kept for 3 weeks. When attending worship in church you must continue to wear a face mask within the church building apart from the celebrant, those reading lessons / leading intercessions and during receipt of Holy Communion.

Weekly Services for This Week:

SUNDAY

10:00 am GMT On-line Morning Worship with Hymns on Zoom

TUESDAY

9:30 am GMT On-line Celtic Morning Worship on Zoom

FOCUS ON... NEW LIFE OF EASTER

It is no accident that the liturgical season of Easter coincides with the Springtime when the bitter cold and darkness of Winter is a fading memory, and the Sun is rising higher and higher each new day. It is a time of the year when all kinds of new life is entering the world, and new growth is abundantly evident, not least to those who tend a flourishing garden or who belong to the world of farming and agriculture! The new life of Spring reminds us that, although suffering and death are intrinsic to the fabric of reality, nature does not allow entropy to have the last word. The testimony of Scripture goes further and affirms very directly that it is out of suffering and death that God brings new life into being. What theologians have called the "Book of Nature", then, reveals in metaphor what in the Book of Scripture is the supreme revelation of divine love couched in categories of profound mystery. "Dark was the night, cold was the earth" is how the African American musician, Blind Willie Johnson, wrote of the Crucifixion of Christ. "Now the green blade riseth" is how the popular Easter hymn by John Macleod Campbell Crum, the former Rector of Farnham and Canon of Canterbury Cathedral, celebrates the wonder of Christ's Resurrection. At the very epicentre of the Easter proclamation of the Church, it is our faith that the deep sadness and sorrow of the saving death of our Lord on the first Good Friday gave way to the great joy of his rising in glory on the first Easter Day. In our own lives, we recall times when God has brought us gently and safely through a valley of shadows – be it a serious illness, a devastating bereavement and grief that overwhelmed us, or a troubled relationship. Whatever it was that so wounded us, through the new life of Easter, we can say now that God has healed us in ways we can trust. And so we are called to be faithful witnesses to the Good News of Easter; and so to reach out to those around us who need hear of the new life of Easter at work in in their lives too. Alleluia!

Canon Tony Bundock

COLLECT FOR 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever, *Amen*.



READINGS FOR EASTER 3

Zephaniah Ch. 3 VV. 14 – 20

Acts Ch. 3 VV. 12 – 19

Luke Ch. 24 VV. 36b – 48

PRAYER CHAIN PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

(THIS SUNDAY THE INTERCESSIONS WILL BE LED BY GRAHAM KING)



Let the joy of the first Easter morning continue to fill our souls with gladness; let it guide us in our actions and words. May we be messengers of light, love, peace and hope in our relationships and daily lives as we strive to know You more clearly day by day. Through Jesus Christ our risen Lord. Amen.

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us evermore. Amen.

MORNING WORSHIP EASTER 3

This Sunday's Online Morning Worship service on Zoom will be led by Canon Tony with assistance from Graham King. Details are as below and will be included in the covering email:

Topic: My Meeting

Time: Apr 18, 2021 10:00 AM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73212021840?pwd=a0VYcmt3OURjUWJQUy8yMmdQNZjdz09>

Meeting ID: 732 1202 1840

Passcode: 05gJBL

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This Week you are Asked to Pray For:

- Those in the parish and further afield who are sick or in need that they receive peace and healing, including: Irene Foord, Mary Mines, Helena Oecken, Ian Wilson, Ron Goodearl, Ian Goodearl, Phillipa King, Jenny King, Beryl Palmer, Sally Zeybek, Laura, the daughter of June Brazier and David Lawrence.
- The recently departed, including Mollie Patricia White and HRH Prince Phillip, Duke of Edinburgh, may their souls rest in peace. We pray for Jill and her father and brother and the Queen and the Royal Family at this difficult time.
- All parts of the world affected by the Coronavirus (Covid-19), those who are ill with the virus and those caring for them. For our own country where infection rates are still high, and the health services as they work to cope with the large number of hospital cases.
- For the country of South Africa, for the people of Cape Town and Diocese of Kimberly and Kuruman including our linked parish of St. Mary's Kuruman.