



Services for May 2019

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Purse Caundle - Stalbridge
Stock Gaylard - Stourton Caundle

5 May

The Third Sunday of Easter

8.00am Stalbridge – Holy Communion
9.30am Stalbridge – Holy Communion
11.00am King's Stag – Morning Worship
11.00am Purse Caundle – Holy Communion
6.30pm Stalbridge – Evening Prayer



12 May

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

9.30am Stalbridge – Holy Communion
11.00am Stourton Caundle – Holy Communion
6.30pm Stalbridge – Evening Prayer



16 May

Thursday

6.00pm Stalbridge – Holy Communion with Prayers for Healing



19 May

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

8.00am Stalbridge – Holy Communion
9.30am Stalbridge – Holy Communion
11.00am King's Stag – Holy Communion
6.30pm Stalbridge – Evening Prayer



26 May

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

10.00am Stalbridge – Benefice Worship for Rogation Sunday
with commissioning of lay worship leaders
by the Rt Revd Karen Gorham, Bishop of Sherborne
4th Sunday Worship @ the Hub, Stalbridge



30 May

Ascension Day

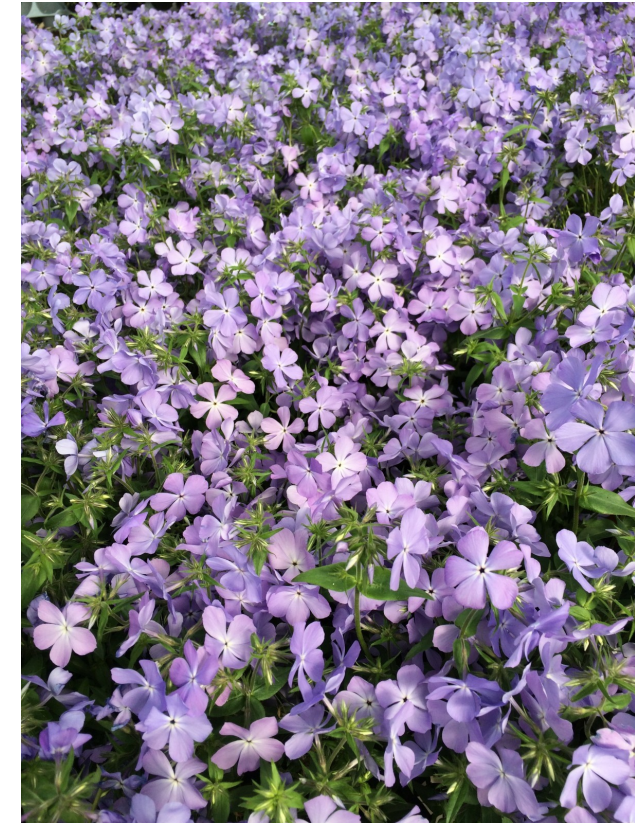
10.00am Stalbridge – Holy Communion
7.00pm Stalbridge – Holy Communion



Spire Hill Church and Community Magazine

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Stourton Caundle
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Copy for June's Church and Community News

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A Lay Minister Muses

This article is being penned after the warmest Easter weekend we have enjoyed for many years. It makes us think of how lucky we are living in this part of the world.

Of course there are two sides to every coin so how does our good luck look in other situations?

Here in Stalbridge we were able, if we chose to go to church on Sunday to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus to new life having died for the sins of us all. We had the choice too, not to celebrate this event. In Sri Lanka the choice to celebrate Easter cost many people their lives. Six weeks ago in New Zealand 50+ lost their lives because they chose to worship their god in mosques. How lucky are we!

Our schools reopen this week and allow our children the opportunity to access learning and education as is their right. In many countries children don't have these chances because their family is too poor to pay for them to attend school. How lucky are we!

In the next few weeks we have free choice to vote or not to vote in town and county council elections and then possibly European elections. In many countries where people do have a vote they are coerced into who they choose or there is huge manipulation of the results in bad peoples' favour. How lucky are we!

Add to these reasons to be thankful the beautiful Dorset countryside blossoming into late spring, our families, friends and neighbours and our lovely town/village and we have so much to be grateful for.

Whatever our life or political beliefs might be, living responsibly and caring for each other and the environment should be at the top of our priorities. It is easy to be complacent living here in this beautiful place and to think it doesn't matter what we do or we can't make much difference on the world stage. Let us remember every little helps.

Good luck to all those who have thrown their hats into the ring for the elections. No matter what changes there are ahead for us in the next few weeks let's also remember at the end of the day "How lucky we are!" JLW



May
2019

Diary
Dates



1 Philip and James, Apostles

7.30pm Deanery Evening at Shillingstone Church Centre

2 9.10am Stalbridge School worships in the Church

3.00pm College of Canons meet in Salisbury Cathedral

3 11.00am Holy Communion at the Old Rectory, Stalbridge

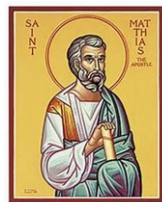
4 3.00pm Diocesan Service in the Cathedral for Safeguarding

5 The Third Sunday of Easter

7 7.30pm Stalbridge Church Annual Meetings in the Hub, Station Road

9 11.00am Ministers of Spire Hill Benefice meet

11 9.00am Rector meets with ministers of Hazelbury Benefice



12 The Fourth Sunday of Easter

14 Matthias the Apostle

10.00am Rector visiting in Stourton Caundle

7.30pm Churchwardens of Spire Hill meet benefice ministers

16 9.10am Stalbridge Primary School worships in the parish church

11.00am Rector visiting in King's Stag

6.00pm Healing Service within Holy Communion at Stalbridge Church

18 10.00am Coffee Morning at Purse Caundle Church

19 The Fifth Sunday of Easter

20-24 Rector with Year 6 of Stalbridge School on outward bound residential

21 12.00pm Clergy of Blackmore Vale Deanery meet

26 The Sixth Sunday of Easter

10.00am Benefice Worship to commission lay worship leaders at Stalbridge Church

4.00pm Worship at the Hub, Stalbridge

30 Ascension Day

10.00am Holy Communion at Stalbridge Church

11.00am Start of 2019 Pilgrimage at Hazelbury Bryan Church with Holy Communion

4 7.00pm Holy Communion at Stalbridge Church



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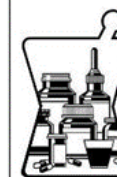
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Worship in May 2019

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5th May The Third Sunday of Easter Acts 9.1-6, John 21.1-19

After a night of fishing, the disciples meet the risen Jesus on the seashore and eat breakfast with him. Peter, who had denied Jesus before the crucifixion, is restored and recommissioned by Jesus to care for his flock. How does Jesus affect your life? Why might being forgiven help turn someone's life around?



12th May The Fourth Sunday of Easter Acts 9.36-end; John 10.22-30

Jesus knows all the challenges we face and the struggles we have. He is the good shepherd who watches over us and strengthens our faith. Let us give thanks for the love he has for us and rejoice that we are never alone, for he is always with us. Peter, in the reading from the Acts of the Apostles, is called to the coastal town of Joppa where a faithful disciple, Tabitha, has died. He raises her to life in Jesus' name. How do you care for people you know (like a good shepherd)? How can we care for people we don't know, e.g. those who suffer in a flood or earthquake?



19th May The Fifth Sunday of Easter Acts 11.1-18; John 13.31-35

Jesus challenges his disciples to live out the new commandment: 'that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.' In the early years of the church post-resurrection, Peter is challenged in a vision to take the good news of Jesus Christ to those outside the Jewish faith. The Roman centurion, Cornelius, and his household will gladly receive baptism by water and the Holy Spirit. What barriers do we need to break down today?



26th May The Sixth Sunday of Easter

There is one service in the Benefice this Sunday. Starting at 10.00am it is to be led by the Right Reverend Karen Gorham, the Bishop of Sherborne. This service has been planned by those to be commissioned by the Bishop as Lay Worship Leaders in the Benefice. The service also celebrates Rogation Sunday as we ask for God's blessing on the land, all its produce and those who care for the land and the animal and plant life.



Please pray for those to be commissioned that they may faithfully and prayerfully lead our communities in the worship of our Creator God. They are: Carolyn Mumford, Nick Smith, Vinny Taylor, Stuart Waite and John Worth.

30th May Ascension Day Acts 1.4-11; Daniel 7.9-14; Luke 24.44-end

It is 40 days since we celebrated Jesus' resurrection on Easter Day. During those forty days, Jesus has appeared to his disciples several times and talked to them about God's kingdom. This was the day he finally said goodbye. Jesus enters into the full glory to which he is entitled. Jesus gives a final blessing and the commission to his disciples (and us today) to go into every nation as witnesses to his suffering, his death, and his resurrection.



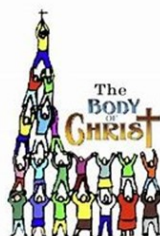
Prayers for Healing, Thursday 16th May at 6pm

All are welcome to this 30-minute said service at Stalbridge Parish Church that includes the laying on of hands and anointing in Jesus' name for healing. These prayers are set in a service of Holy Communion. You may come for your own healing or on behalf of another person.



Deanery Exploration Evening (you won't want to miss this new venture)

Wed 1st May at 7.30pm at Shillingstone Church Centre (refreshments at 7pm). 'Being the Body of Christ in the Blackmore Vale' led by the Reverend Canon Dr Tom Clammer. Tom has served as priest in a multi-parish rural benefice. He speaks with realism, humour and common sense about the realities of the Christian life today. This event is free and open to all in the Blackmore Vale Deanery



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DAYS OFF

Being a priest is not a normal job, certainly not one where regular office hours apply. To try and keep a grasp of reality the Rector normally takes a day away from parish duties on a Wednesday,

Weekday Worship at Stalbridge Parish Church

Monday to Friday
 8am Morning Prayer and 5pm Evening Prayer
 Thursday at 10am Holy Communion



The Methodist Church



The Methodist Chapel in Kings Stag warmly invite you to join them for two services this month. On May 26th there is a Holy Communion Service to celebrate the Chapel's anniversary starting at 6.00pm. On 28th there is the other service which starts at 7.00pm. Don't forget the monthly convivial Coffee Morning on 21st from starting at 10.00am till 11.30am.



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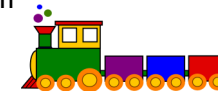
For those of you that haven't heard our Rector, Canon William Ridding is retiring in July this year.

To celebrate William's retirement there will be an afternoon tea party in Stalbridge Hall on the 13th July 2019 at 3.00pm so that our local communities from Purse Caundle, Stourton Caundle, Kings Stag & Stock Gaylard together with Stalbridge who William has served in his seventeen years with us can say thank you to him and to wish him and Gwen a happy retirement. This will be the only opportunity for the parishes to collectively say thank you for his ministry and for all the work he has done over that time.



William's last service will be on Sunday 14th at 10.00am. You are all most welcome to join us for a "Songs of Praise" style service.

The churchwardens have set up a special account in the names of John Foster-Pegg and Derek Bollen to enable those who wish to donate towards a leaving present. There will be a dedicated box available in the Stalbridge Post Office for all donations. All donations can be made in a blank envelope containing cash or cheques; those choosing to pay by cheque please make them payable to John Foster-Pegg or Derek Bollen. All donations will be treated in strictest confidence.



STALBRIDGE GARDEN SOCIETY

April Meeting.

Tony Moore our Chairman welcomed everyone to our April meeting, any notices were read out, and the members were reminded about the "spring plant and jumble sale", which is on Saturday 11th May at 10.00am in the Hall. Lots of help needed for our yearly fund raising event please!



The talk this evening was our very own Tony Moore on "Bonsai Spring Care", Tony has spent many years growing, shaping/styling and tending his many outdoor Bonsai trees, which are fantastic!

He told us how he picked up a pine cone one day whilst collecting his daughter from school. He put the cone onto the radiator and a week later lots of seed had fallen out, he potted these up and they all germinated, that was the beginning of his Bonsai collecting!

Bonsai trees were used in Japan to decorate carnival floats, for Royalty, this goes back to the 12th century.

Great Britain began growing bonsai trees just after the Second World War. These mini ancient trees are now being grown in lots of countries, they can cost a few pounds or be very expensive to buy.

Tony told us when was the best time to prune, and repot your bonsai; most trees need repotting every year for the first ten years.

Feeding, your tree, with seaweed extract or tomato feed works well, keep your plants well-watered, not saturated, and if they dry out they may not recover.

Repotting is best done in February/March or April, no later as the buds will be forming and if the tree is disturbed during the growing period, it may suffer.

The best growing medium to use is, leaf mould, peat free medium, and 1/3 to 1/2 grit so that it is free draining.

Tony finished the evening with a demonstration on how to repot a bonsai, by removing all of the compost from the plant roots, then reducing the root ball so that it will fit into the bonsai pot. This was a wonderful insight into the world of bonsai trees, we all enjoyed it, and I am sure has inspired some of us to purchase a bonsai and see what creation we might achieve! Even win a prize at the annual show. Thank you Tony.

Thank you also to the late Bev Hall's husband for making a truly beautiful tro-

This was followed by the AGM, Wendy (President) thanked everyone for their help through the year. Secretary Sally Robinson gave an account of our various activities through the year whilst Treasurer Jane Smith gave a statement of accounts.

Wendy and Sally have decided to have a well-earned break from their well-organized & dedicated positions, they will both be hard acts to follow.

Brenda Else announced the winner of the 'Flower of the Month' competition for the year, June Harman received the 'Silver Specimen Vase' and Wendy won the 'Silver Tray' for most points in the 'Competition of the Month'. This month the 'Flower of the Month' was won by June and 'A War Related Item' was won by Frances Ryall.

Next month we will have a 'Flower Workshop'. Janet Ridout will give a demonstration with a hands on session so it will be interesting to see how many 'budding' flower arrangers we have in our midst. Because of the elections our meeting will be held in the Congregational Church on May 2nd.

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March Meeting

President Wendy Bailey welcomed everyone to the April meeting. As it will be Joy Rabbett's 'Big Birthday' later this month we didn't sing Jerusalem but Happy Birthday instead and Wendy presented Joy with a lovely pot plant. Beautiful posies made by Wendy were handed out and the minutes were available to read.

Members who had gone to the 'Octagon' on March 28th to see '42nd Street' had enjoyed it very much. The Group meeting will be held at 'The Exchange', Sturminster Newton on April 18th, with a Social Skittles evening being held 29th April at the 'Bird in Hand', Henstridge.

Brian Bates gave a talk on 'Living with the Enemy', the guarding of the prisoners at Dorchester in WWI (which it seems my Grandad did at that time) by the Defence Corp. It was based in the Royal Horse Artillery barracks, the first internees were German and Austrian arriving on 10th Aug 1914. The 18 prisoners were not in military attire but neatly dressed, several were even chubby boys, later that day the 6 o'clock train brought a further 89 prisoners, some shabbily dressed, some well-dressed, it was assumed that the latter may have been spies who were arrested previously.

So many of the towns' folk turned up outside the camp in the evening that the road had to be closed and cleared, people were also interested to see the latest technology in floodlighting, which had only been invented that same year, this was installed consisting of 15 lamps of 2,000 candle power.

On 18th December 1914 the press reported the camp was practically empty - but the same week a further 700 prisoners arrived. 1915 another 1,000 prisoners arrived, on 1st Jan 1916 the population was 3,409 in 1917 there were 3,543 and 1,573 in March of that year. They were housed in huts with solid fuel stoves and electricity, seemingly to live quite comfortably in comparison to those guarding them who lived in tents! Meat and fish came from local suppliers, which was thought to have been better quality than Dorchester residents could obtain, this was cooked in about four food kitchens by the German cooks.

Brian gave a very interesting talk and finished with a short film of the camp and some of the men there.

Following a break for refreshments which included a choice of cakes made by Geraldine Clothier, June Harman and Wendy Bailey to celebrate Joy's birthday.

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phy from wood, for the "Best Rose exhibit" at our annual show.

Next month the talk is "How to impress the photographic judge", with Bob Indge Thursday 9th May 7.30 pm at the hall.

If you have any plants, seedlings, garden tools, brick-a-brac, jumble, books, DVD's or are able to make a cake for our plant and jumble sale on the 11th May, please bring it to the hall for 9am. Thank you.

The weather is warming a little so it is now time to plant out sweet peas, broad beans, put in seed potatoes, and sow lots in the green house or on a window ledge.

Enjoy the spring colour, tulips and blossom are a wonderful spring sight at the moment.

Michelle Howell

The Salisbury Organ Restoration Project

The project to restore Salisbury Cathedral's magnificent Father Willis organ is well underway.

The work, which began in January, will take 14 months.

It was 50 years ago that the organ last underwent such a comprehensive restoration.

Some of the pipes will be cleaned on site, with the remainder taken away for cleaning. The mechanics, bellows and reservoir will be repaired.

The work is being carried out by Harrison and Harrison, renowned organ builders and restorers from Durham who have cared for the Cathedral's organ since 1978.

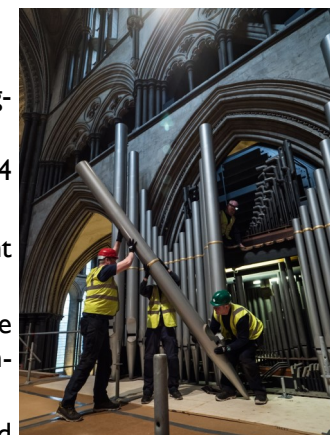
The team is led by Ian Bruce, who has 30 years' experience working with pipe organs.

"Salisbury Cathedral's Father Willis is one of our flagship organs," he said.

"We work on a lot of his organs, but this one is really top of the tree musically and very well respected, due to the high-quality workmanship and the way it is all put together."

Salisbury's Father Willis organ was built in 1877 at a cost of £3,500, a sum given by Miss Chafyn Grove of Zeals.

It has just under 4,000 pipes, ranging in size from ones as small as a matchstick to others that stand 32ft high.



The project will cost about £700,000. The Friends of Salisbury Cathedral has given a substantial grant towards the restoration project and the Cathedral received a grant of £82,300 from the Heritage Lottery Fund for the restoration and the organ exhibition, *Pulling out the Stops*, which is in the north transept and runs until November.

It explores the history of the organ and includes a virtual organ with stops. Visitors are able to play a keyboard and pull out stops on a touch screen to recreate the unique sound of the Father Willis organ.

If you would like to make a donation towards the restoration of the organ, please make cheques payable to Salisbury Cathedral and send to Jilly Wright, development manager at Wyndham House, 65 The Close, Salisbury SP1 2EN. Donations can also be made online at www.salisburycathedral.org.uk/get-

From the Editor

Apologies this month for a less than normal magazine. This has been caused by a particularly heavy diary around the publication date and people being away. Ed.

An evening of choral masterpieces in Sturminster Newton



Sturminster Choral Society will once again be performing choral classics at St Mary's Church, Sturminster Newton. Their forthcoming concert will be on Saturday 11th May at 7.30 pm, conducted by Annemarie Lees with organist Sam Hanson and pianist Elaine Korman.

The programme will begin with Palestrina's beautiful and spellbinding *Stabat Mater*, composed during the late 16th century for double chorus. The choir will also perform Haydn's *Nelson Mass*, one of 14 masses written by Haydn and possibly his greatest single composition. They will be joined by soprano Camilla Foster Mitchell, alto Charlotte Collier, tenor Kieran White and bass Benjamin Hewat-Craw.

4th Sunday @ 4pm @ the Hub, 26 May

Caring for God's world is one of the key issues of our generation. This informal hour of chat, song, with cake and tea will explore what responsibility we have in caring for this beautiful world given as a gift.



Church Annual Meetings

Purse Caundle – 29th April at 7.30pm in the parish church

Stalbridge – 7th May at 7.30pm in the Hub, Station Road

Stock Gaylard – 30th April at 6.30pm in King's Stag Memorial Chapel

Stourton Caundle – 25th April at 7.30pm in the parish church

At each of these meetings, two churchwardens will be elected to serve for one years. Representatives of the laity will be elected to the parochial church council (usually three representatives to serve for three years).

The annual meetings will also this year be asked to agree the pattern of services as proposed by the churchwardens that will be followed from July 2019 during the vacancy until the new rector is in post.

These Annual Parochial Church Meetings are important. It gives a chance for the members of the church to meet and question the Church Council on how they have carried out their duties in the past and what they intend to do in the future. It is the meeting where the Churchwardens and Council are elected, hence the need to be on the Electoral Roll of our respective churches. I know the familiar cry is "How does it effect me; what, another meeting; don't understand it". The meetings don't have to be a place where we practise studying our feet, They should be a place for questioning honest debate, for a vigorous Q & A session. This is a chance to be more actively involved in how your church functions. I urge you to come and take part, information is a two-way process, it will help us to make the church a more complete part our area.



Response

Silence, study, song, or words from Scripture, such as

Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.

Matthew 5.9

Prayers

Prayers may include these concerns

The people of God, that they may proclaim the risen Lord.

God's creation, that the peoples of the earth may meet their responsibility to care.

Those in despair and darkness, that they may find the hope and light of Christ.

*Those in fear of death, that they may find faith through the resurrection.
Prisoners and captives.*

The Collect

Christ yesterday and today,
the beginning and the end,
Alpha and Omega,
all time belongs to you,
and all ages;
to you be glory and power
through every age and for ever.
Amen.

from the Easter Vigil

The Lord's Prayer

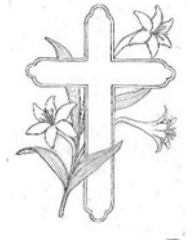
The Conclusion

May the risen Christ give us his peace.
Alleluia. Amen.

Prayer During the Day

The Easter Season

Many people have evolved a daily Quiet Time, for reading Scripture and for praying. With this in mind, Prayer During the Day is offered as a framework for personal devotion; it follows a pattern which may be shared with others. In this way Christians can be united in their worship



Preparation

○ God, make speed to save us.

○ **Lord, make haste to help us.**

If I climb up to heaven, you are there;

if I make the grave my bed, you are there also. *Psalm 139.7*

Praise

Yesterday I was crucified with Christ;

today I am glorified with him.

Yesterday I was dead with Christ;

today I am sharing in his resurrection.

Yesterday I was buried with him;

today I am waking with him from the sleep of death.

Gregory of Nazianzus (389)

The Word of God

Sunday

Psalm 114

Thursday

Psalm 111

Monday

Psalm 30

Friday

Psalm 145.1-8

Tuesday

Psalm 66.1-11

Saturday

Psalm 146

Wednesday

Psalm 106.1-12

Sunday *1 Peter 1.3-5*

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

Monday *Zephaniah 3.14-18*

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The Lord has taken away the judgments against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it.

Tuesday *1 Corinthians 15.42-44a,47-49*

So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonour, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and, as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

Wednesday *Colossians 3.1-4*

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Thursday *Luke 24.28-32*

As the two disciples came near the village to which they were going, Jesus walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?'

Friday *Job 19.23-27a*

Job said, 'O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book! O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock for ever! For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth; and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another.'

Saturday *Revelation 1.12,13,17,18*

I turned to see whose voice it was that spoke to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, and in the midst of the lampstands I saw one like the Son of Man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash across his chest. When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he placed his right hand on me, saying, 'Do not be afraid; I am the first and the last, and the living one. I was dead, and see, I am alive for ever and ever; and I have the keys of Death and of Hades.'