



Welcome – Philip Sudell

We lift our voices to the Lord most high,
with joyful singing we will glorify
the great creator, the author of all life.
We are his people and he is our God,
he always guides us in his ways with love:
let joyful praises come fill this place, in song.

For the Lord is good!

*We shout for joy because
the Lord is good!*

*He rules the earth with everlasting love:
how good is our God!*

Enter His presence with a thankful heart,
enter his courts and let the praises start,
give God the glory, for he deserves it all.
All of creation lives to worship God,
we were created as an act of love:
let adoration flow from this place, in song.
For the Lord is good!...

Faithful God, never ending goodness,
ever flowing kindness.

You are faithful, God, you are good.
For the Lord is good!...

Andy Clark

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Church Family News

Reading: Romans 7:1-13 p1133

Do you not know, brothers and sisters – for I am speaking to those who know the law – that the law has authority over someone only as long as that person lives? ² For example, by

law a married woman is bound to her husband as long as he is alive, but if her husband dies, she is released from the law that binds her to him. ³ So then, if she has sexual relations with another man while her husband is still alive, she is called an adulteress. But if her husband dies, she is released from that law and is not an adulteress if she marries another man.

⁴ So, my brothers and sisters, you also died to the law through the body of Christ, that you might belong to another, to him who was raised from the dead, in order that we might bear fruit for God. ⁵ For when we were in the realm of the flesh, the sinful passions aroused by the law were at work in us, so that we bore fruit for death. ⁶ But now, by dying to what once bound us, we have been released from the law so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit, and not in the old way of the written code.

⁷ What shall we say, then? Is the law sinful? Certainly not! Nevertheless, I would not have known what sin was had it not been for the law. For I would not have known what coveting really was if the law had not said, 'You shall not covet.' ⁸ But sin, seizing the opportunity afforded by the commandment, produced in me every kind of coveting. For apart from the law, sin was dead. ⁹ Once I was alive apart from the law; but when the commandment came, sin sprang to life and I died. ¹⁰ I found that the very commandment that was intended to bring life actually brought death. ¹¹ For sin, seizing the opportunity afforded by the commandment, deceived me, and through the commandment put me to death. ¹² So then, the law is holy, and the commandment is holy, righteous and good.

¹³ Did that which is good, then, become death to me? By no means! Nevertheless, in order that sin might be recognised as sin, it used what is good to bring about my death, so that through the commandment sin might become utterly sinful.

Hold the power of the universe in your hand
Hold the words that shaped
the sky and sea and land
The King has given words to us,
to tell us what he's like
Open up your ears and let his Spirit strike

*It's a light and a hammer
It's a fire and a sword
It's the voice of our Father
The word of the Lord
The blade of the Spirit can cut to the soul
And God will use it to make us whole*

Hear the news of the promised king
who came to save
Hear the news of Jesus
who rose from the grave
Our King has come to live on earth
and rescue us from sin
Open up your mind and let his Spirit in
It's a light and a hammer...

Know the name of Jesus Christ
that makes us new
Know the Son of God,
the Word whose word is true
Our King has spoken to us,
so there is no place for pride
He gives hearts of flesh
and changes us inside
It's a light and a hammer...

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Children leave for Grace Gang

Talk: Philip Sudell
Romans: "More than conquerors"
Serving in the new way of the Spirit

Youth leave for their discussion

Blessed spirit of the king,
Of grace and love the Author,
Work repentance deep within
And bend me at Your altar.
Melt my heart with majesty,
Then show my ruined self to me;
Teach me to more clearly see
Your might and will to save me.

Here I place without reserve
My soul in faith and meekness,
Trusting in Christ's power and love
To flourish in my weakness.
Cause my days on earth to be
Through time and through eternity
A trophy of His victory;
A monument to mercy.

Teach me to behold my God,
And trust His power to save me;
Arms outstretched in constant love,
Whose strength will never fail me.
Help me to commune with Him,
Depend and follow after Him,
That through my life His peace will reign,
And joy be my companion.

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Talk notes

Confession

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

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, Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

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.

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing

Tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the name! I'm fixed upon it
Name of Thy redeeming love

Hitherto Thy love has blessed me
Thou hast brought me to this place
And I know Thy hand will bring me
Safely home by Thy good grace
Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wandering from the fold of God
He, to rescue me from danger
Interposed His precious blood

Oh to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter
Bind my wandering heart to Thee
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart, oh take and seal it
Seal it for Thy courts above

Oh that day when freed from sinning
I shall see Thy lovely face
Full arrayed in blood-washed linen
How I'll sing Thy sovereign grace
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry
Bring Thy promises to pass
For I know Thy pow'r will keep me
Till I'm home with Thee at last.

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Final Prayer

Please stay around to chat after
the service over coffee/tea
through in the hall



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The week ahead

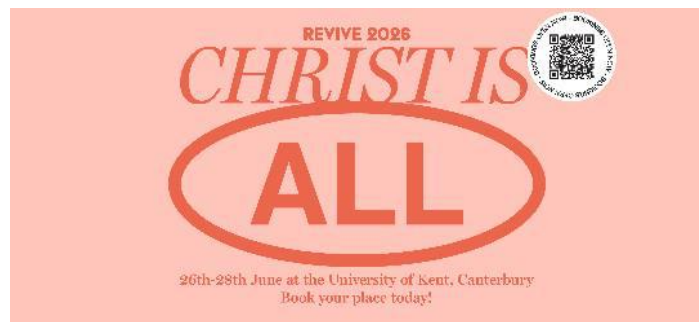
Sun 26 th	9.30am 11am 12:30pm	Holy Communion Morning Service Discipleship Training Lunch
Mon 27 th	7.45 for 8pm	PCC Meeting @163 Colney Hatch Lane
Tues 28 th	9:45-11am 8pm	Chat & Play for pre-schoolers and their parents/minders @ St Peter's Hall Midweek Groups
Wed 29 th		
Thurs 30 th	10-11.30am 12 noon 12-3pm 3.45-5pm 8pm	Women's Bible Study @ St Peter's Hall Holy Communion Community Café @ St Peter's Hall FAB Club @ St Peter's Hall Midweek groups meet
Fri 1 st May	7.15-8am	Friday Prayer @ 163 CHL
Sat 2 nd		
Sun 3 rd	9.30am 11am	Holy Communion Morning Service

Looking ahead

Sat 25th April – Men's Breakfast
 Sun 26th April – Discipleship Training Lunch
 Mon 27th April – PCC Meeting
 Fri 8th May – Christian Aid Quiz
 Sun 17th May - Annual Meetings

Co-Mission Revive W/E Away

26th - 28th June – Booking still open.



Discipleship Training Lunch

Come and join us after the 11am service this Sunday 26th April. Theme:

“Answering Common Objections to Christian faith”

Christian Aid Quiz – Fri 8th May

We will be hosting a quiz night for Christian Aid week on Friday 8th May from 7pm to 9:30pm!

Get a table together (tables of 8) and email the church office to book in.

£10 per ticket inc

Ploughmans and donation to Christian Aid



When I was young, I was sure of many things now there are only two things of which I am sure one is, that I am a miserable sinner and the other, that Christ is an all-sufficient Saviour. He is well-taught who learns these two lessons.

John Newton

Electoral Roll – revision taking place

Forms are available on the table at church or linked in the weekly email and we'd love everyone who considers themselves part of St Peter's to enrol if they are able and qualify – you have to either live in the parish or have been attending regularly for 6 months. You can do this up to the 1st May

Annual Meetings

The Annual Meeting of Parishioners for the election of Churchwardens (2) and the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) for the presentation of the annual reports and the election of 2 Deanery Synod members up to 9 members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) will take place **after the 11am service on Sunday 17th May 2026**. Nomination forms are available