#### **OUR CHURCHES' DIARY**

#### TODAY Easter 6 9th May

#### **CAM CHURCHES TOGETHER**

One service for all the Cam Villages churches 10.00 am Holy Communion at Wendens Ambo

Alex Jeewan Also on Zoom

#### THIS WEEK

Tuesday 11th May

5.00 pm Evening Prayer Zoom

Wednesday 12th May

9.30 am Holy Communion from Saffron Walden Zoom

10.00 am Pop Up Coffee Littlebury 5.00 pm Evening Prayer Zoom

Thursday 13th May Ascension Day

2.00 pm Mothers' Union SW Deanery Festival Service

Saffron Walden

5.00 pm Evening Prayer Zoom

#### NEXT WEEK 16th May EASTER 7

Little Chesterford 9.30 am HOLY COMMUNION

Great Chesterford 9.30 am iCHURCH

Wendens Ambo 9.30 am MORNING PRAYER
Littlebury 11.00 am HOLY COMMUNION
Littlebury Green 9.30.am FAMILY SERVICE

Holy Communion readings:

Acts 1:15-17, 21-end John 17:6-19

#### **ACCESS**

## Live streamed services from Great Chesterford

https://www.facebook.com/camvillages churches Just before the service time and look out for the post which will say "CamVillages Churches is live". Click on the video in the post to watch the live stream.

#### Services on Zoom

Email Alex at vicar.camvillages@gmail.com or Gillian Hopton at website.camvillages@gmail.com for an invitation with the access codes.

#### **Other Services**

Access information will be found on the Cam Villages Website or stmaryssaffronwalden.org

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# The Grapevine

COVERING THE CHURCHES OF GREAT & LITTLE CHESTERFORD, LITTLEBURY WITH LITTLEBURY GREEN, & WENDENS AMBO

### Welcome to our services today Sixth Sunday of Easter

#### Collect

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

New Testament Reading Acts 10.44-48 While Peter was speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

#### Gospel John 15.9-17

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends. because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.'

#### **Post Communion**

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

#### Those who are unwell:

Michelle Thomson (Littlebury Green)
Freda Kent (Wendens Ambo)
Barbara Morrison (Little Chesterford)
Margaret Reed, Valerie Clift and David Lilley
(Great Chesterford)

Those who need our support:

Betty Dowsett (Littlebury Green) Lucy Maskell (Great Chesterford) Jan Godfrey (Little Chesterford)

#### Friends and families of those who have died:

Caroline Avery and Noel Hatton (Wendens Ambo) Those whose anniversaries are this week

#### Other topics for your prayers

- For places where the coronavirus is out of control particularly thinking of India
- For places where there is conflict resulting in oppression, persecution and suffering, thinking especially of Myanmar and Yemen
- That vaccines may continued to be manufactured and distributed without disruption, and with generosity.
- As we look forward to further relaxations of lockdown that we continue to be mindful that Covid-19 and its variants are still a danger
- Those missing loved ones who have died

#### **OUR CHURCHES**

#### Giving to our churches

If you wish to make a donation to our churches we are now able to do offer online giving. Just visit the 'Giving' section of our website (www.camvillages.org.uk) and follow the instructions. Thanks, too, to those who have chosen to commit to regular planned giving.

#### Website

Keep up to date with changes to our worship in church and all that's going on by visiting our website https://camvillages.org.uk

#### Children's Work

There are activities for young people of all ages on the website prepared by our children's ministry team.

#### Access

On p 4 you will find details of how to access the services that are going to be live streamed together with Zoom ones

#### .PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Administrator is available by phone or email on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 9.30am - 12 noon.

The office is not currently open to personal callers.

#### Don't forget to keep up to date by visiting our CAM VILLAGES WEBSITE

The website is user friendly, has all our latest news and you will be able to see what is going on in all our churches at a glance.

Please visit www.camvillages.org.uk

#### PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

O God, whose will is our peace, help us to want for ourselves the things you want us to have; help us to love your programme for living; help us to welcome your orders for the day; for when these prayers are answered our heart will find its home; through Jesus Christ our lord. Amen (Dick Williams)

#### **CORONOVIRUS UPDATE**

#### **WORSHIP IN CHURCHES**

As lockdown relaxes we have reopened our churches for worship. The online services are continuing for the moment. There will be updates on this as we prepare for further relaxation of the restrictions. As and when services are held in church distancing, the wearing of masks and other safety measures will be observed

#### **MASKS IN CHURCH**

Please note it is now compulsory - government and Church of England instructions - to wear a mask for services in church unless you have an exemption.

**THANK YOU...** to those of you who have responded to Alex's reminder not to forget your church in this time of of lockdown. You can now give online too.

## **WEDNESDAY 9.30 am ZOOM HOLY COMMUNION** with members of the Team clergy

For an invitation to Zoom services please contact Alex or Gillian (website.camvillages@gmail.com)

#### SUPPORTING EACH OTHER

There is support available in all our 5 communities during the lockdown. Contact details have been circulated. Don't hesitate to get in touch with them or to encourage your neighbours to - whatever the need.

#### **KEEP IN TOUCH**

With all that's going on via our churches' website

#### **NEWS**

#### **ALL SAINTS PLANT SALE**

Saturday 22nd May 2021 2—4 pm at The Beeches, 34 Jacksons Lane, Great Chesterford

# CAM VILLAGES PICNIC Sunday 4th July

Caroline and Alex have invited all from the Cam Villages churches to the Vicarage Garden from 12.30 to 2.30 pm. It is going to be an opportunity to get to know each other a bit more than we have been able to over Zoom services and extend fellowship as the Cam Villages Church. We are to bring our own picnics, rugs and chairs but tea and coffee will be provided. Everybody welcome