



St Martin's Church, Welton

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Easter 2

WELCOME! There are 2 services at St Martin's today.

11.00am Service of Communion

This morning we welcome Rev John Stevenson and thank him for leading our worship.

If you don't normally take communion but would like God's blessing, please come up to the altar rail holding your service booklet.

Please stay for tea or coffee after the service — we would love to chat with you.

MORNING SERVICES. All commence at 11.00am

ROTAS	23 April	30 April *	07 May	14 May
Chalice	Val Hamblin	Jean Somerville	Gill Beardmore	Val Hamblin
Sidesperson	Roslyn Loades	Margaret Jones	Harold Thompson	Margaret Jones
Reader	Gillian Weigel	Bob Somerville	Margaret Jones	Jackie Hibbert
Prayers	Vicar	Vicar	Keith Beardmore	Vicar

* The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place on 30 April after this Service.

4.00pm Afternoon Service

This afternoon Revd Canon Sarah Brown for leads our worship.

AFTERNOON SERVICES. All commence at 4.00pm

23 April	30 April	07 May	14 May
Sunday Teatime	THERE WILL BE NO AFTERNOON SERVICE.	Family Communion	Evensong BCP
<i>A meeting of Christians of all ages around the tea table. Tea and cake accompany informal discussion, games and storytelling to link faith with everyday life. Worship a different way.</i>	<i>Annual Parochial Church Meeting.</i>	<i>A slightly shorter communion service with lively message and delivery for all ages.</i>	<i>For those who crave the traditional language and peace of the Book of Common Prayer.</i>

First Reading Acts 2: 14a. 22-32

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.

'You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. David says concerning him, "I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover, my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence."

'Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, "He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption." This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

Gospel Reading John 20: 19 - end

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.' Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.



A big thank you to Val, Joyce, Rachel, Margaret, Jean, Lesley, Eva, Fran, and Ros, who contributed to the Easter floral displays with their both talents and donations.

Our church is open most days for all to see these beautiful Easter decorations.

Monday 24th April at 7.30pm in Welton Village Hall.

Welton History Group will be hosting a talk by David Adams about the history of Ashby St. Ledgers, the church and two manors. All welcome, admission £3 to include refreshments.

Sunday 30th April The Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

This will take place in church after the 11am service. Copies of Agenda and Reports are available in church in advance of the meeting.

If you have any news or forthcoming events: email ros@rosirius.co.uk.