

NOTICES : 12 April 2026

Services this Sunday *Uppingham* BCP Communion, 8am; Choral Eucharist, 10.45am, with celebrant Canon Sharon Jones. *Belton* Parish Eucharist, 9am. **BELTON HYMNS** 271 Alleluia, sing to Jesus; 279 Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest; 112 Jesus lives! thy terrors now.

Prayer Groups Tuesday, 8.30am; Friday, 9.30am. **Eucharist** Saturday, 9.30am.

Next Sunday morning our celebrant and preacher will be Canon Jane Baxter, who is looking forward to her 75th birthday (and retirement as Rural Dean) later this month. Her support during our interregnum (particularly celebrating at 8am Communion) has been greatly appreciated! Any contributions to a gift for Jane will be welcomed – please speak to Richard or Jenny during this coming week.

Next Sunday afternoon Revd Canon Dr Stephen Evans (Rector here, 2000-2010) will be installed as Dean of Southwell, during Cathedral Evensong starting at 3.30pm.

APCM Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on Thursday **21 May**, 7pm in church. All are welcome!

The funeral service for Jim Findlay will be held on Monday 20 April at 2pm.

Website quiz Richard Cole has written a quiz to help us familiarise ourselves with the newly refreshed church website and to enable us to guide others. It's attached to the same email as this pewsheet – do please click on it and give it a go!

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Happy Easter!



Alleluia. Christ is risen.
He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

ECO TEAM WORLD PRAYER for April

contributed by Olivia Linnell

Countries of the North Pacific region

Heavenly Father: We pray for those in pain. In countries that are so divided in opinion, in faith and in love. We pray that in these uncertain times where borders are constantly at threat, lives at risk and freedom compromised, your presence is felt, your love is known and your strength is given. Father, help us to know that there is no greater power than you and with you alongside we shall fear no evil. We pray for the United States. Whilst unity in war and unity in danger may not be held, unite them in your world, and help those in positions of power make decisions with conviction and consideration of those most affected. We pray they are not led by greed but by the clarity of knowing you. We pray for Mexico. For the economy, for the security and for the safety of its people. We ask that they welcome your presence with hopeful hearts. We pray for peace. We pray for the Islands of Hawaii and others that are in the North Pacific Oceans. Watch over them in disaster and recovering of the natural world and lift their spirits with your enduring love. Help us remember those near and far and be eternally grateful for the life we are worthy enough to live here on earth. In your name. Amen.

Easter II: Year A: Collects (CW) & Readings for 12 April 2026

The Collect

**Almighty Father,
you have given your only Son to die for our sins
and to rise again for our justification:
grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness
that we may always serve you
in pureness of living and truth;
through the merits of 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.**

Meditation before service

In the grave they laid him, Love whom men had slain,
thinking that never he would wake again,
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

John Macleod Campbell Crum (1872-1958)

Acts 2.14a, 22-32

On the day of Pentecost, Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, ²²'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— ²³this 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. ²⁴But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. ²⁵For 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; ²⁶therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover, my flesh will live in hope. ²⁷For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. ²⁸You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence." ²⁹Fellow 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. ³⁰Since 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. ³¹Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, "He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption." ³²This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.'

Psalm 16

(BCP)

- 1 Preserve me, O God : for in thee have I put my trust.
- 2 O my soul, thou hast said unto the Lord : Thou art my God, my goods are nothing unto thee.
- 3 All my delight is upon the saints, that are in the earth : and upon such as excel in virtue.
- 4 But they that run after another god : shall have great trouble.
- 5 Their drink-offerings of blood will I not offer : neither make mention of their names within my lips.
- 6 The Lord himself is the portion of mine inheritance, and of my cup : thou shalt maintain my lot.
- 7 The lot is fallen unto me in a fair ground : yea, I have a goodly heritage.
- 8 I will thank the Lord for giving me warning : my reins also chasten me in the night-season.
- 9 I have set God always before me : for he is on my right hand, therefore I shall not fall.
- 10 Wherefore my heart was glad, and my glory rejoiced : my flesh also shall rest in hope.
- 11 For why? thou shalt not leave my soul in hell : neither shalt thou suffer thy Holy One to see corruption.
- 12 Thou shalt shew me the path of life; in thy presence is the fulness of joy : and at thy right hand there is pleasure for evermore.

I Peter 1.3-9

New Testament reading

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, ⁴and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, ⁷so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. ⁸Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, ⁹for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

The Gospel Reading

John 20.19-end

When it was evening on 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.' ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' ²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So 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.' ²⁶A 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.' ²⁷Then 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.' ²⁸Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' ²⁹Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.' ³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But 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.

Postcommunion Collect

**Lord God our Father,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ
you have assured your children of eternal life
and in baptism have made us one with him:
deliver us from the death of sin
and raise us to new life in your love,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**



12 April 2026 Second Sunday of Easter

Welcome to our Eucharist, 10.45am at Uppingham Parish Church

Celebrant & Preacher	Revd Canon Sharon Jones	
Reader	Liz Clarke	
Intercessor	Nicky Jervis	
Organist	John Wardle	
Setting	Rawsthorne, <i>Festive Eucharist</i> (om <i>Benedictus</i>)	
Hymns	192	A brighter dawn is breaking
	217	The strife is o'er, the battle done
	203	Good Christians all, rejoice and sing
Readings	Acts 2.14a, 22-32 I Peter 1.3-9	
Gradual psalm	150	<i>Stanford in C (single)</i>
The Gospel	John 20.19-end	
Song sequence	<i>Holy, holy, Lord God almighty; You are the King of glory</i>	
Communion anthem	Loosemore, <i>O Lord, increase our faith</i>	

Please remember in our prayers

The sick: Jane Downs, Gail Nichols, Sybil Cripps Daniels, Trish Damen, Janette Coates, Jean Lattimore, John Lewis, Gail Whelband, Susan Scott, Iain, Louise and Reegan

The departed: Jim Findlay, Pip Dexter

Year's mind: Joan Taylor, Peter Lloyd, Bill Jackson, Joan Mary Jones, Lawrence Edward Honnysett, Betty Tremayne Finch, Philip Sargeant