

NOTICES : 24 May 2026

Services this Sunday Uppingham BCP Communion, 8am; *Come, Rejoice!*, 10.45am, Choral Evensong 6pm. *Belton* Parish Eucharist, 9am.

Prayer Groups in church Tuesday, 8.30am; Friday, 9.30am. **Eucharist** 9.30am on Saturdays 6 June, 20 June, 4 July, 18 July, 1 August; prayers on other Saturdays.

LUMOS candlelight experience A Hans Zimmer evening in church on **Saturday 11 July**: there will be 2 sittings, 7-8pm and 9-10pm. **An early-bird discount of 15%** is offered on a limited number of Gold tickets – first come, first served! Here is the ticket link: <https://www.lumos-experiences.com/event/a-hans-zimmer-candlelight-experience-in-uppingham-saturday-11th-july/> Code: WELCOME15 (use on checkout).

Online Giving Use this link, or scan the QR code below, to donate to the church: <https://portal.myдона.com/assets/webPay/index.php?cid=621>

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Notices If you have any material for these pew sheet notices, contact the acting editor, John Wardle (07885 260316) john.wardle@btinternet.com who will be in Wales next weekend: so (this week) kindly submit any items no later than **Wednesday mid-day**.

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Reflections on our Eastertide choral music, from Philip Riley...

The Crystal Ball Music for May 2026

EASTER is upon us, and Alleluias are flying in all directions; so it may seem slightly odd that our first anthem in May is part of a Requiem. But this is the *German Requiem* of Brahms, where the emphasis is on the consolation of the living. *How lovely are thy dwellings fair* sets words from psalm 84 to warm and comforting music which is a delight to sing.

Last month's Evensong featured Stanford heavily, and on 10 May there is more from him, as we offer his setting of *O for a closer walk with God*, an arrangement of the Scottish psalm tune *Caithness*. Then on Ascension Day we delve further into the past with Purcell's great verse anthem *O God, thou art my God*, a powerful setting of words from psalm 63, which ends with a joyful Alleluia now well known as a hymn tune.

On Rogation Sunday, 17 May, we have a more modest contribution by a composer whose name was Mudd, who may have been one of the two Mudds who were organists at Peterborough Cathedral in the seventeenth century. *Let thy merciful ears* is a brief setting of the collect for the tenth Sunday after Trinity.

Choral Evensong this month falls on Whitsunday, so the choice of Tallis's *O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit* for the introit is entirely appropriate. His contemporary and fellow Catholic William Byrd provides both the responses and the service setting, and for the anthem we have another outing for Bach's setting of the chorale *O Jesu Christ, meins Lebens Licht*, which we recently added to our repertoire.

Trinity Sunday this year will be a comparatively modest celebration, as a number of choir members will be in Wales that day; but fans of Sir John Rutter's music will be pleased to know that we shall sing one of his short anthems, *The peace of God*, to mark the feast.

And then there are a lot of Sundays after Trinity . . .

Succentor

If you would like to join Philip's mailing list, to receive his **Crystal Ball** prophecies and musings at the beginning of each month, drop him a line now at pgroc@tiscali.co.uk

Save the date... Sunday 14 June, Olivia and team are organising a stall – art activities for children – and social time for parents. Cakes are needed, please, to offer the adults some refreshment! All proceeds to church funds.

Thank you to everyone who attended Monday's coffee morning, £182 was raised in support of MU projects.
Valerie Bowron

FOR RUTLAND
ANNUAL GRAND BOTTLE TOMBOLA
at the Rutland County Show
Sunday 31st May 2026

BOTTLES of any kind unopened and in date most gratefully accepted from **shampoo to champagne or beer to bubble bath**
Please deliver your bottles to
Nelsons Butchers Shop in Uppingham
before Tuesday 26th May

Pentecost: Year A: Collects (CW) & Readings for 24 May 2026

The Collect

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Psalm 104

(BCP)

- 1 O Lord, how manifold are thy works : in wisdom hast thou made them all; the earth is full of thy riches.
- 2 So is the great and wide sea also : wherein are things creeping innumerable, both small and great beasts.
- 3 There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan : whom thou hast made to take his pastime therein.
- 4 These wait all upon thee : that thou mayest give them meat in due season.
- 5 When thou givest it them they gather it : and when thou openest thy hand they are filled with good.
- 6 When thou hidest thy face they are troubled : when thou takest away their breath they die, and are turned again to their dust.
- 7 When thou lettest thy breath go forth they shall be made : and thou shalt renew the face of the earth.
- 8 The glorious majesty of the Lord shall endure for ever : the Lord shall rejoice in his works.
- 9 The earth shall tremble at the look of him : if he do but touch the hills, they shall smoke.
- 10 I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live : I will praise my God while I have my being.
- 11 And so shall my words please him : my joy shall be in the Lord.
- 12 As for sinners, they shall be consumed out of the earth, and the ungodly shall come to an end : praise thou the Lord, O my soul, praise the Lord.

Acts 2.1-21

New Testament readings

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit

and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. ⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?' ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' ¹³But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' ¹⁴But 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. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷"In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. ²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

I Corinthians 12.3b-13

No one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. ⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. ¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Alternative Gospel Readings

John 7.37-39

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing in the temple, he cried out, 'Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, ³⁸and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, "Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water." ' ³⁹Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

John 20.19-23

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.'

Postcommunion Collect

**Faithful God,
who fulfilled the promises of Easter
by sending us your Holy Spirit
and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal:
open our lips by your Spirit,
that every tongue may tell of your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**



24 May 2026

Pentecost

Welcome to our service, 10.45am at Uppingham Parish Church

Come, Rejoice!

led by Olivia Linnell and team

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| Belton Hymns | 146 | Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty |
| | 347 | Come, gracious Spirit, heavenly Dove |
| | 137 | Come down, O Love divine |

Please remember in our prayers

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

The departed:

Year's mind: Gordon Jervis, Betty Thompson, Margaret Rose Downes, John Lambert, Lilian Rosina Gray, Warwick Metcalfe, Bernard Haddelsey (priest), Philip Spence (priest)