

### Collect Contemporary

Almighty God,  
who through your only-begotten Son  
Jesus Christ  
have overcome death and opened to  
us the gate of everlasting life:  
grant that, as by your grace going  
before us  
you put into our minds good desires,  
so by your continual help  
we may bring them to good effect;  
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

### Collect Traditional

Almighty God,  
who through thine only-begotten Son  
Jesus Christ  
hast overcome death and opened unto  
us the gate of everlasting life:  
we humbly beseech thee that,  
as by thy grace preceding us  
thou dost put into our minds good  
desires,  
so by thy continual help  
we may bring the same to good effect;  
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,  
who liveth and reigneth with thee,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

### New Testament Reading

#### Acts 11.1-18

11 Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. <sup>2</sup> So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, <sup>3</sup> saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' <sup>4</sup> Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, <sup>5</sup> 'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. <sup>6</sup> As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. <sup>7</sup> I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." <sup>8</sup> But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." <sup>9</sup> But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." <sup>10</sup> This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. <sup>11</sup> At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. <sup>12</sup> The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. <sup>13</sup> He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; <sup>14</sup> he will give you a message by which you and

your entire household will be saved." <sup>15</sup> And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup> And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." <sup>17</sup> If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' <sup>18</sup> When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

### Gospel Reading John 13.31-35

<sup>31</sup> When he had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup> If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup> Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." <sup>34</sup> I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'



**SERVICE DETAILS**  
**19<sup>th</sup> May**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**ST MICHAEL**

**8:00am**      **Holy Communion**  
**President:**    Revd. Chris Baker

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**10:00am**    **Holy Communion**  
**President:**    The Venerable Simon Baker  
**Deacon:**     Revd. Mel Clark

<b>Hymns</b>	Processional	593
	Gradual	506
	Offertory	748
	Communion	456
	Recessional	763

**Intercessions**  
Lord, you show us:  
**What loving really means.**

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**4:30pm**      **Messy Church**  
**Minister:**    Revd. Mel Clark

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**ST JOHN**

**10:00am**    **Holy Communion**  
**President:**    Revd Stephen Barton  
**Preacher:**    Phil Clayton

<b>Hymns</b>	Processional	457
	Gradual	473
	Offertory	372
	Recessional	426

**FOR YOUR PRAYERS**

To have someone prayed for or remembered please  
contact the Benefice Office.  
A new list will start the first Sunday each month.

**ST MICHAEL**

***Those who have recently been  
married:***

Joseph Bailey & Charlotte Edwards

***Those newly in need of prayer***

Baby Jack, Dottie Collins

***Those in continuing special need of  
prayer:***

Jamie, Jenny, Sam Bassett  
Mark Berry, Dorothy Clayton, , Margaret  
Fellows, Sadie Hannon, Robert Harris, Bill  
and Dot Hill, James Knight, Arthur Palin,  
Nick Rutter, Peter Salt, John Tipper, Sheila  
Vaughan, Renee Wellings

***Those who have died***

Karen Richards (interment of ashes)  
John Graham

**ST JOHN**

***Those who have recently been  
Baptised:***

Gilbert Standing

***Those who are ill and their carers:***

Jo Hearn, Nancy Hood, Ann Kinson, Allan  
Law

**Post Communion Contemporary**

Eternal God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the  
truth, and the life:  
grant us to walk in his way,  
to rejoice in his truth,  
and to share his risen life;  
who is alive and reigns, now and for  
ever.  
**Amen**

**Post Communion Traditional**

Eternal God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the  
truth and the life:  
grant us grace to walk in his way,  
to rejoice in his truth,  
and to share his risen life;  
who liveth and reigneth, now and for  
ever.  
**Amen**