

Outlook

*“Jesus himself stood among them
and said to them,
‘Peace be with you.’”*

Luke 24:36

This is our 3rd week since Easter Sunday and during this time we've been reading Luke chapter 24 which describes 3 different encounters that the disciples had with Jesus after his resurrection from the dead. First of all we read about Thomas who wanted to touch Jesus' wounds; next came Cleopas and the other disciple who walked to Emmaus with the resurrected Christ; and today we have the 3rd encounter Luke records - in which Jesus will eat a meal and bless his followers with the gift of peace.

In his book, "God in the Dock" CS Lewis famously said, *"Christianity, if false, is of no importance, and if true, of infinite importance. The only thing it cannot be is moderately important."*

As we take time this morning to consider again the claims of the resurrection, we pray that each one of us will be given the same level of assurance in this history-changing event that each of the first disciples found. A confidence in the 'infinite importance' of the resurrection.

A Collect for this Week

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.



Luke 26:36-43

36 While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.'

37 They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. 38 He said to them, 'Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds?

39 Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost

does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have.'

40 When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. 41 And

while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, 'Do you have anything

here to eat?' 42 They gave him a piece of broiled fish, 43 and he took it and ate it in their presence.

Psalm 23

A psalm of David.

1 The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures,
he leads me beside quiet waters,

3 he refreshes my soul.

He guides me along the right paths
for his name's sake.

4 Even though I walk
through the darkest valley,

I will fear no evil,
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.

5 You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies.

You anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

6 Surely your goodness and love will follow me
all the days of my life,

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord
for ever.

Bring-and-Share Meal Sunday 3rd May



It's Bank Holiday weekend and our lunch on this occasion will be **pizza & salads!**

- ✿ **Steve & Michelle** will **provide & cook** a range of **pizzas**
- ✿ Please bring suitable accompaniments, e.g. salad leaves, coleslaw, potato / pasta salad, cheese, cold meats, crisps, dips, etc.
- ✿ The ovens will be full of pizzas - so please don't bring anything that will need to be heated
- ✿ Please do bring desserts and drinks... see you there!

Suggestions for Outlook?



If you have any **ideas** for items that might be included in Outlook, please send your suggestions to Mike Sarson via outlook@EastleighParish.com

Join Us for Morning Prayer, Every Tuesday & Thursday



Jeremy Douglas will be leading morning prayers each Tuesday & Thursday in Ian's absence. Why not come along and join with him and others? We meet:

- ✿ 8:45-9:30am each Tuesday in All Saints' (with coffee!)
- ✿ 9:00-9:30am each Thursday on ZOOM (click the link on the home page of our website: <https://www.eastleighparish.com/>)

"The fervent prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective."

James 5:16

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from Luke 24

Annual Church Meeting & PCC Elections



Our APCM (like an AGM) will take place at 9:30am on Saturday 2nd May. Please will you prayerfully consider serving as a member of the PCC (church council) and/or a Deanery Synod Representative? Speak to Geoff C or Mike S (Vice Chair of PCC) for more information.

Being as though Ian will be away on his study leave, this year's meeting will be chaired by Mike Sarson, Vice Chair of the PCC.

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