



**ST. LAURENCE CHURCH
PARISH EUCHARIST
Sixth Sunday of Easter
10th May 2026**

This service will be live streamed. Your image will be captured on CCTV as a participant in the liturgy. Please tell a sidesman if you do not wish to be filmed in order to be seated in a position out of the view of the camera.

The You Tube link is:
<https://www.youtube.com/@StLaurenceChurchHawkhurst>

8.00am BCP Eucharist

10.00am Eucharist

Rev Judy Darkins

Sidesmen: Kate Lagden and Jean Elliott

Reader: Bob Ash

Intercessions: Rachel Elliott

Chalice: Peter Hodges and Kent Harries

Today's Hymns are:

470: Praise my soul

365: All people that on earth

574: I heard the voice of Jesus

302: And now O Father

450: O God our help

The Collect

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through 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.

The First Reading:

Acts 17.22-31

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, ‘Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, “To an unknown god.” What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For “In him we live and move and have our being”; as even some of your own poets have said, “For we too are his offspring.”

Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While

God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.’

The Gospel Reading

John 14.15-21

‘If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

‘I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.’

The service today is followed by the APCM.

Today also we have a PARISH LUNCH at 12.30pm in church.

We pray for the sick:

Eleanor Ash, David Winstone, John Tanner, Irene Bow, Brian Elliott, Jill Fitzpatrick, Thomas Cox, Gwen Brown, Jill, Carol, Dido Robson, Hannah, Chris Bodeen, Val, Jane and Jeremy, Val Manser, Chris Bell, Rebekah Mary, Keith Brown and Duncan Robinson.

We pray for the recently departed:

Rod Simpson

We pray for those whose years mind occurs at this time:

(their names are also displayed on the altar in the Warrior Chapel).

Simon Edwards, David Cutmore, Stella Keane, Alfred Scrivener, Anthony Smith, Sheila Pope, Thomas Weguelin, Henry Husey, Joscelyn Thompson, Grace Parsons, Albert Richard, Mark Webber, Heather Murphy, Robert Botha, Vera Boulton, Ione McEwen, Sylvia Parkinson, David Barter, Barbara Barter, Les Dickson, David Axford, Peter Hunt, Tim Davis.

Please leave the white order of service in church but take the yellow notice sheet home.

NOTICES

Wednesday Morning Prayer

at Bowles Lodge ~ 10.00a.m. Please do join us.

Compline - Wednesday at 6.00pm on Zoom. Please feel free to join us if you can. The Zoom link is:
Meeting ID: 880 4785 4233 Passcode: 798527

Easyfundraising

St Laurence Church is registered with easyfundraising. Please sign up to support us at:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stlaurencehawkhurst/?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=pmc&utm_content=email-1

Tesco and Easyfundraising

have come together to give help to churches this May by offering five £1,000 funding pots. In May thanks to the Tesco Community Pledges, when we shop via the easyfundraising website or apply online with Tesco, the church will not only raise free funds, but is also in the draw to receive £1,000 in funding.

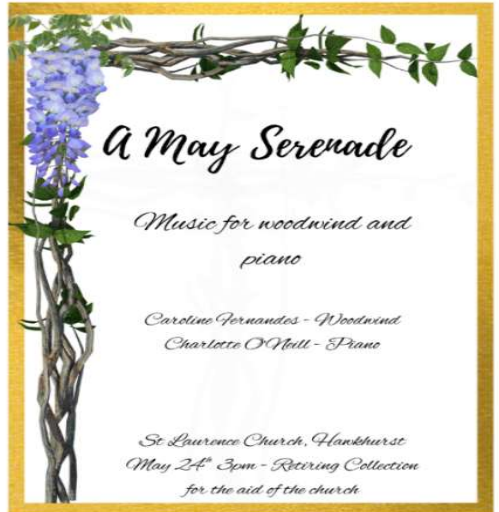
Collection and Giving - A collection will be taken during this service. Please use a Gift Aid envelope if you are a taxpayer. You may support our work by donating through the online terminal at the exit. Additionally you may give to St Laurence Church via the QR code below.



Parish Giving Scheme - St. Laurence is also a member of the Parish Giving Scheme. This enables you to give to St. Laurence monthly, quarterly or annually by Direct Debit. Please go to www.parishgiving.org.uk Donations can be increased by Gift Aid, adding 25%

CHRISTIAN AID EVENT AT DUNK'S HALL Friday 15 May 10.00 - 12.00 Fundraising Coffee morning Everyone welcome; please join us for refreshments and home-made cakes and a display about Christian Aid. Sign - up sheet for cake baking, please, is on the table at the back.

MAY CONCERT on Sunday May 24th (PENTECOST) at 3 pm in St Laurence Church



HAWKHURST VILLAGE FETE
6TH JUNE 2006

St Laurence will be running the **Refreshment Stall** at the Village Fete. Lists will be placed in church for those able to volunteer, either for making cakes or helping to run the stall on the day. The refreshments will run from 12 to 4.30, but we would only ask volunteers to be available for a one hour stint. Please help

if you are able – proceeds will go towards much needed funds for St. Laurence.

The choir would also like donations for the **Bottle Tombola** on 6th June at the Village fete please.

Contact Stephen Ringer or leave at the back of the church.

Forthcoming Services:

ASCENSION DAY Thursday 14th

May

8.30am Morning Prayer

Led by Stephen Ringer

17th May:

8.00am BCP Eucharist

10.00am Eucharist

Rev Vicki Young

Sidesmen: Diana Ringer and Ali Jones

Reader: Anne Wheelhouse

Intercessions: Peter Wylie

Chalice: Stephen Ringer and Rachael Ringer

24th May:

8.00am BCP Eucharist

10.00am Eucharist

Bishop David Bannerman

31st May:

8.00am BCP Eucharist

10.00am Eucharist

Rev Canon Paul Millar

7th June:

8.00am BCP Eucharist

10.00am Eucharist

Rev Judy Darkins

Advance Notice

5th July:

8.00am BCP Eucharist

10.00am Eucharist

The celebrant and preacher will be The Revd Canon Peter Moger, Sub Dean of Christ Church Oxford, our patrons.

AT YOUR SERVICE

Vicar

The Benefice is currently in vacancy.

Licensed Parish Reader

Mr. Stephen Ringer: 01580 879710

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Dr. Julie Hammonds: 07587 470678

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Claire Roberts: 01580 754374

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Dr. Charlotte O'Neill:

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Organist:

Mr. Richard O'Neill:

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