 **ST. LAURENCE CHURCH**
PARISH EUCHARIST
Seventh Sunday of Easter
Sunday after Ascension Day
17th 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 Vicki Young

Sidesmen: Diana Ringer and Alison Mitham

Reader: Anne Wheelhouse

Intercessions: Peter Wylie

Chalice: Stephen Ringer and Claire Roberts

Today's Hymns are:

143: *Hail the day*

147: *The head that once*

368: *At the name of Jesus*

316: *Just as I am*

535: *Praise the Lord*

The Collect

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to

strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, 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 1.6-14

So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.'

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were

constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

The Gospel Reading

John 17.1-11

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. 'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name

that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

At the end of the service as the Altar Party and Choir depart, please enjoy the Organ Voluntary.

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 Tim Coombs.

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 Keaney, 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.

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

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

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.

Easyfundraising

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

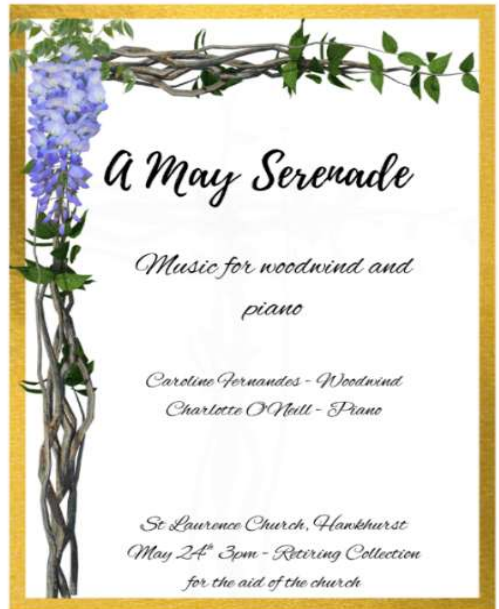
<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stlaurencehawkhurst/>

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%.



**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:

24th May:

8.00am BCP Eucharist

10.00am Eucharist

Bishop David Bannerman

Sidesmen: Diana Hunt and Anne

Wheelhouse

Reader: Stephen Crowe

Intercessions: Norma Crowe

Chalice: Julie Hammonds and Felicity

Robinson

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

14th June:

8.00am BCP Eucharist

10.00am Eucharist

Rev Vicki Young

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

Churchwardens

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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