

FIRST READING

Acts 9 36-end

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

THE GOSPEL READING

John 10: 22-30

All: Glory to Christ our Saviour

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

Reader: This is the Gospel of Christ

All: Praise to Christ our Lord

INTERCESSION

Please continue to pray for all who are sick and in our hearts especially:

Jackie Morley, Logan Matthews, Sheila Gilbert, Louise Osborne, Peggy O'Neill, Dawn Tavener, Shirley Foster, Sue Vaness, Iris White, Chris McGrath, Valerie Pratt, Cathy Cox, Alan Gaywood, Susan Gaywood, Betty Hunt

Please pray for these church members at home: Gwen Wells, Joyce Dyson, Joan Hopkins, Chloe Attwell, Eileen Pidgeon

We remember before God those who have died:

Joan Jackson, Wendy Butler, Peggy James, Mary Neasham, Cynthia Ward, Pamela Tillett, Doreen Crouch, Roy McArdy. Jim Bowness, Mark West. Mary McGarrie, Gregory Thomas, Rex Whittaker

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday Easter 4	17 th April	9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm 6.30pm	Parish communion Parish Centre Service with Sunday School Children's Blessing of Milly and Max Youth Club Club Night
Tuesday	19 th April	10.15am	Buggy Group
Wednesday	20 th April	10.15am	Parish Centre Communion
Thursday	21 th April	10.00am	Coffee morning –Parish Centre
Sunday Easter 4	24 th April	9.30am 11.15am 6.30pm	Parish Communion Parish Centre Service with Sunday School Youth Club

NOTICES

Church Coffee donations during April, May and June will go to the Camphill Village Trust (Botton Village) a UK charity supporting adults with learning disabilities.

Furture dates for your diary.

Saturday **21st May** – Beetle drive in the Parish Centre at 7pm. Adults £5, Children £2.50 which will include a light refreshment.
Money raise will support the work of the church. Ring 01582 883308

Vicar – Steve Wood 01525 876197 Mob 07704922984 (Day off Monday)
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Welcome to St Margaret's Church, Streatley

Easter 4
Leader – Steve Wood

17th April 2016
Preaching Steve Wood

We extend a very warm welcome to all visitors and those new to the Church. Please make yourselves known to the vicar Steve Wood, reader Teresa Dales or our Churchwardens Dorothy Iszatt and John Farrent. After the service we serve coffee and we invite you to join us. We welcome all ages and for the very young there is also a children's area.

 There is a loop system and large print hymn books are available from the sidesmen.

You are all invited to come to the altar at the time of the Communion. Members of other churches who would receive at their own church are welcome to take the bread and wine with us. If you do not receive communion, please come up to receive a blessing keeping your hands down. If you would like communion brought to you please tell one of the sidesmen

Organ Voluntary

Before service – Intermezzo (from Cavalleria Rusticana)
After service - Fugue – Corale (And can it be) - Tambling

Hymns for Today Church 219 – 308 – 458 – 44 - 218

COLLECT

Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life;
raise us, who trust in him,
from the death of sin to the life of righteousness,
that we may seek those things which are above,
where he reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen