
Sunday after Ascension

Stewardship

Roles within the Church

Hymns

103 Come, ye faithful, raise the anthem
857 I, the Lord of sea and sky
501 O Jesus, I have promised
728 We have a gospel to proclaim

Collect

Risen, ascended Lord,
as we rejoice at your triumph,
fill your Church on earth
with power and compassion,
that all who are estranged by sin
may find forgiveness and know your peace,
to the glory of God the Father. Amen

Readings from The New Testament

Acts 6:1-6

Seven Chosen to Serve

6.1 Now during those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists complained against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected

in the daily distribution of food. 2 And the twelve called together the whole community of the disciples and said, 'It is not right that we should neglect the word of God in order to wait at tables. 3 Therefore, friends, select from among yourselves seven men of good standing, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this task, 4 while we, for our part, will devote ourselves to prayer and to serving the word.' 5 What they said pleased the whole community, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. 6 They had these men stand before the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them

1 Cor 12:1-11

Spiritual Gifts

12.1 Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. 2 You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. 3 Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. 4 Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; 5 and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; 6 and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. 7 To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. 8 To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, 10 to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. 11 All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Notices

Chatterbox

Every Wednesday 10:30 am to 12:30pm.
All Welcome - tea - coffee - cakes - meet & chat.

Zoom Prayers & Bible Study

Friday 2pm Zoom Prayers.

Community Larder

Every Tuesday from 11- 12:30

Stantonbury Churches Newsletter

Available by email or ask for a hard copy.
Copy on inside Notice Board.

Future Sundays

Sunday 24th - Family Breakfast Club 10 am
Sunday 31st Joint Service for the
Stantonbury Partnership at Cross and Stable.
Led by Revd Kofi

Advance notice for my next concert at St. Mary and St.Giles in Stony Stratford.
3pm on Sunday August 9th.

This year I'm performing a short piece of Bach from the Well Tempered Clavichord Book II, the E major Prelude and Fugue followed by Beethoven's Sonata Op.101, the first of his five late sonatas and Brahms' two Rhapsodies Op.79.

After the interval, the programme continues with two works by Liszt, his 3 Concert Studies and the utterly beautiful Benediction de Dieu dans la Solitude.

Posters and details will obviously come out nearer the time, but I wanted you to have the opportunity to hold the date.

Hope to see you there,
Every Blessing,

John Robertson
