Sunday 28th May 2017 Sunday after Ascension

08.00	BCP Holy Communion – St Mark's
9.15	Family Worship- St Mark's
11.00	Choral Eucharist with Sunday Club
	- St <i>Andrew's</i>
18.00	Compline- St Mark's

This Thursday: Ascension Day services.
10.30am St Mark's, Said BCP Communion
7.30pm St Andrew's , Sung Eucharist.
This is a major feast in the church's year marking the risen Jesus' departure from the earth and journey to heaven.

This week has been Christian Aid Week: 14th - 20th May, 2017. Would all collectors please note that they should bring back envelopes to Church after services on Sunday, 21st May if at all possible.

Sophia Selman's Baptism: Laura (the curate) and Matt's daughter Sophia is being baptised next Saturday, May 27th, at 11.30am at St Bene't's Church, Cambridge with lunch after at Westcott House. Everyone is very welcome to attend. If you would like to come please get in touch with Laura via email lauramargaretselman@gmail.com or on 07900924644.

Come and Sing Faure Requiem on Saturday June 10th at St Andrew's church—this is open to all, and will be a chance to informally rehearse and perform this much-loved work. Simon Hancock, Director of Music at St Matthew's will be conducting and Simon Harvey will be accompanying on the organ. The rehearsal will start at 2.30pm with refreshments at 4.30pm and performance at 6pm. Cost of £5 per singer, payable in cash on the day, to cover vocal score hire and refreshments. Family and friends welcome to come and listen at 6pm

Students at Kingston College are looking for Work Experience Opportunities that will build on their employability skills, confidence, awareness of business/industry and valuable experiences which will mould their future careers. The students are between 16-19 years old and are on full-time study programmes. This is a great opportunity to support our young people and bring new vitality and insight to your business, for more information please contact Rebecca.Perkins@Kingston-College.ac.uk; 020 8939 4611.

Surbiton New Life Baptist Church is seeking a church Administrator to work for 15 hours per week. The pay would be £10.25-£11 per hour and some of the hours will have to be worked occasionally in the evenings to take minutes at meetings for example. Please contact Andrea Miller at Andrea@surbitonnewlifebaptist.com 07729635518

FOR YOUR PRAYER: Requests for Healing Prayer to be made to the parish office; names will remain on the list for one month unless a new request is made.

For healing: Richard Davies Sue Paine Rosa Panton
Iain Jones Mary Rice John Barnes Matthew Woods
Jo Norman Harry Cornell Theodore Shah Keith Kirby
Tracy Calviou Michael Naylor Nancy Vlasto Jean Rowe
Daniel White Robin Pellatt Lucy-May Watson
Jacqui Smith Stefka Dimitrova John Whelan Moira Frau

Years mind: Margaret Moore William Smallpiece Gordon Lawrence Valerie Lawrence Leslie Gower Poole Joan Bateman

Birthdays: Eleanor O'Neill Sue Hart Marilyn Wood Rita Burrow



Sunday 21st May 2017 Easter 6

Services Today					
08.00	BCP Holy Communion – St Andrew's				
9.15	Morning Worship with baptism – St Mark's				
11.00	Choral Eucharist with Sunday Club - St <i>Andrew's</i>				
18.00	Service of wholeness and healing- St Mark's				

Monday Parish Sabbath Office Closed Open normal hours the rest of the week.

Monday

Tuesday	08.50	Morning Prayer – St Mark's
Wednesday	08.30 10.00	Morning Prayer – St Andrew's Sunbeams –St Mark's
Thursday	08.30 10.30 19.30	Morning Prayer – St. Mark's Holy Communion– St Mark's Ascension Day Eucharist – St Andrew's
Friday	08.30 10.00	Eucharist – St Andrew's Friday Coffee for Charity- St Andrew's

Saturday

Sunday

A very warm welcome to our Church today. We especially welcome Scarlett and her family and friends as she is baptized at St Mark's this morning. We hope that you will find something of the presence of God in our worship and among those you meet.

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Clare Chesterman, Parish Administrator

St Mark's Church, St Mark's Hill, Surbiton, Surrey, KT6 4LS Office Hours: Tues-Thurs 9.30 am -12.30pm and 1.30pm-3pm Fri 9.30am – 12.30pm: please note closed in the afternoon.

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There is an induction loop in both churches - please turn your aid to the 'T' setting.

You can follow the service in the Liturgy Service Booklet; this pew sheet will give you information about the readings and hymns; you will also need a New English Hymnal

Hymns NEH

Music Setting Gibbons in F (Gloria-Mathias)

Introit If ye love me-TALLIS

Introit hymn 333 All my hope on God is founded

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.

Today's Themes: Today's readings show the progression of different ways in which God relates to humanity. In Genesis we see the establishment of the covenant of Noah for all peoples. Today's Gospel reading calls us into a new intimacy with God where God dwells in us and with us. St Paul, in the Acts reading, is offering this new way to relate to God to the Athenians. The question for us is how we can move into new and deeper ways of relating to God.

First Reading Genesis 8.20 – 9.17

Reader Phil Doyle

Then Noah built an altar to the Lord, and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird, and offered burnt-offerings on the altar. And when the Lord smelt the pleasing odour, the Lord said in his heart, 'I will never again curse the ground because of humankind, for the inclination of the human heart is evil from youth; nor will I ever again destroy every living creature as I have done. As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease. 'God blessed Noah and his sons, and said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth. The fear and dread of you shall rest on every animal of the earth, and on every bird of the air, on everything that creeps on the ground, and on all the fish of the sea; into your hand they are delivered. Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you; and just as I gave you the green plants, I give you everything. Only, you shall not eat flesh with its life, that is, its blood. For your own lifeblood I will surely require a reckoning: from every animal I will require it and from human beings, each one for the blood of another, I will require a reckoning for human life. Whoever sheds the blood of a human, by a human shall that person's blood be shed; for in his own image God made humankind. And you, be fruitful and multiply, abound on the earth and multiply in it.' Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth. 'God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

Psalm 66. 7-18

7 Bless our God, ¹ O you ¹ peoples; □
make the voice of his ¹ praise ¹ to be ¹ heard,
8 Who holds our ¹ souls in ¹ life □
and suffers ¹ not our ¹ feet to ¹ slip.
9 For you, O ¹ God, have ¹ proved us; □
you have ¹ tried us as ¹ silver is ¹ tried.
10 You brought us ¹ into the ¹ snare; □
you laid heavy ¹ burdens up¹on our ¹ backs.

‡ 11 You let enemies ride over our heads;
we went through 1 fire and 1 water; \square
but you brought us out 1 into a 1 place of 1 liberty.
12 I will come into your house with burnt offerings
and will ¹ pay you my ¹ vows, □
which my lips uttered
and my mouth promised ¹ when I ¹ was in ¹ trouble.
13 I will offer you fat burnt sacrifices with the ¹ smoke of ¹ rams; □I
will ¹ sacrifice ¹ oxen and ¹ goats.
14 Come and listen, all you who 1 fear 1 God, \square
and I will tell you what ¹ he has ¹ done for my ¹ soul.
15 I called out to him 1 with my 1 mouth \square
and his ¹ praise was ¹ on my ¹ tongue.
16 If I had nursed evil 1 in my 1 heart, \square
the ¹ Lord would ¹ not have ¹ heard me,
17 But in truth ¹ God has ¹ heard me; □
he has ¹ heeded the ¹ voice • of my ¹ prayer.
‡ 18 Blessed be God, who has not 1 rejected my 1 prayer, \Box
nor withheld his 1 loving 1 mercy 1 from me.

Second reading Acts 17.22-31
Reader Mike Smith

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."

Gospel 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.'

Address Janice Price, Reader

Intercessions Anne Barker

Offertory Hymn 307 Sweet sacrament divine

During the offertory hymn a collection is taken for the work of the church: please give generously. If you are moved to do so, please ask for info about planned giving, if you do not do so currently.

Communion Hymn 341 Blest are the pure in heart

Communion Anthem O saving victim- WADELY

Please come forward for Communion if it is your custom, or for a blessing as directed by the Churchwardens. We will receive in two lines, as usual.

Notices and banns

At the dismissal 265 Lord of beauty, thine the splendour

Next week's readings Ezekiel 36.24-28

Acts 1.6-14 John 17.1-11