

This week we pray in love for:

The Church

- Our Methodist churches in Kensworth and Studham and their ministers
- Retired clergy and readers
- The Friends of the Church organisations

June prayers for...

Kensworth

- ❖ Common Road from the Methodist Church to Dovehouse Lane

Studham

- ❖ Common Road, Clements End and Pedley Hill

Whipsnade

- ❖ The Zoo and Dell Farm

This week please remember in your prayers; Phoebe Busfield, to be baptised at Kensworth today; those to be confirmed from our parishes this month; young people preparing for and taking exams; those in the midst of illness, operations or accidents, amongst whom Hayden Anslow, Lorraine Burger, Fred and Marion Downie, Claire Stoop, John and Helen, Rachel, Hilary, Paul and Philip; and those who have died recently, amongst whom Hilary Cantle and Ian McGregor.

Do you have a name or a request for prayer that you wish to have included on this prayer list? Please email Nicola on revnicolalenthall@btinternet.com before Thursday each week.

A prayer for this week: *Let us pray that God's Spirit will enliven us that we may love others into wholeness. Amen.*

Readings for next week: Proverbs 8.1-4, 22-31; Romans 5.1-5; John 16.12-15

• Dates for your diary

- **Tuesday 11th June, 9.10am & 10.10am** – Kensworth and Studham Schools Collective Worship
- **Tuesday 11th June, 4pm** – Evening Prayer, Kensworth Church
- **Tuesday 11th June, 7.30pm** – Whipsnade PCC
- **Wednesday 12th June, 9am** – Adult confirmation class
- **Thursday 13th June, 12.30pm** – Whipsnade Village Lunch, Village Hall. Offers of help and puddings gratefully received – to Isobel please on 872552
- **Thursday 13th June, 7.30pm** – Kensworth PCC
- **Friday 14th June, 2pm** – First Steps service for babies and toddlers and their carers, Kensworth Church Hall
- **Friday 14th June, 3.30pm** – Kensworth Messy Church, Kensworth Church Hall

The rector's day off this week is Monday.

All are welcome to say farewell to Mmasape this Sunday after the 10am service at Studham Methodist Chapel, as she leaves for pastures new...

Big Band and BBQ Summer Party! Saturday June 22nd from 2.30pm, St. Mary's Studham Churchyard. With live music from the School Headteacher's band and a BBQ, this is a joint event from The Friends of Studham Church and The School Trust. Tickets £12.50 (concessions and family tickets available). More details from John McDougal on (01582) 873257

Save the dates...

June 15th, afternoon – Whipsnade Fete in the churchyard
July 6th, 7pm – Caritas Concert, Kensworth Church (for tickets and details phone **(01582) 873242**)
September 14th, 10.30am – Bike and Hike Walk from Kensworth Church (contact Jane on **(01582) 871139**)
October 5th, 5.30pm – Family Barn Dance with live ceilidh band, Kensworth Village Hall (contact Jane as above)

Welcome to the United Benefice of Kensworth, Studham and Whipsnade

Part of the North Chilterns Group of Parishes

Sunday 9th June 2019

Pentecost

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| Kensworth | 10.30am – Morning Service with Sunday School |
| | 12.00pm – Holy Baptism |
| Studham | 10.30am – Messy Church Holy Communion |
| Whipsnade | 9.00am – Holy Communion |
| | 3.00pm – Tree Cathedral Service |

Services next week: 16th June

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| Kensworth | 10.30am – Sung Matins |
| | 6.00pm – North Chilterns Group Confirmation Service |
| Studham | 10.30am – Family Service |
| Whipsnade | 9.00am – Holy Communion |

If this is your first visit to one of our churches, then please make yourself known as we're a friendly lot – really! The rector (Nicola) can be reached on (01582) 872223 or at revnicolalenthall@btinternet.com. Please also email Nicola if you'd like to receive this service sheet weekly if you can't make it to church. We hope you enjoy your time with us.

Sunday 9th June 2019
Pentecost

The Collect

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

A reading from The Acts of the Apostles
Acts 2.1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs - in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen

to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

This is the word of the Lord

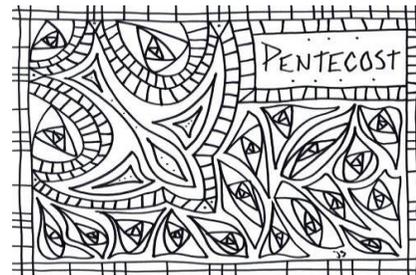
All: Thanks be to God

A reading from St Paul's letter to the Romans
Romans 8.14-17

All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ - if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God



Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John

All: Glory to You, O Lord

John 14.8-17(25-27)

Philip said to Jesus, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. 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 have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Prayer after Communion

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

REFLECTIONS ON THE READINGS:

When did you last feel really excited about something?

For parents and carers, ask your children: 'How do you think the disciples felt when they heard themselves speaking foreign languages?'