

THE SUNDAY SUPPLEMENT

8th May 2022 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK



15th to 21st May 2022

Please put these dates in your diary and please invite friends to join you. Christian Aid week is a great way to serve our neighbours throughout the world, and a great way to show others what good things faith has inspired. This week we have our first update on how much has been raised at one of these events – more information when I receive it!



Open Gardens in Lady Hall Took place on Thursday

This event raised £699.38 – thank you to everyone who helped to achieve this amazing result. What a great start to Christian Aid 2022.

Coffee Morning – Victory Hall Saturday 14th May, 10am

Raffle, cake stall, bric-a-brac, books, coffee and biscuits. Free entry.



Special service – St John's, Ulpha Sunday 15th May, 9.30am

Our monthly service will be themed around Christian Aid Week and Christian work for Justice.

Plant Sale – Broughton Methodist Church Friday 20th May, 10am – 4pm

There will be a Fairtrade stall and refreshments too.



Making a donation online

<https://envelope.christianaid.org.uk/envelope/broughtonandthevalleys>



This Week

Tuesday

7.00pm – APCM, Kirkby Ireleth (at St Cuthbert's)

Wednesday

11.30am – Holy Communion, Broughton Mills followed by tea, coffee, biscuits and cake.

7.30pm – Youth drop-in, Broughton Methodist Church

Thursday

9.00am – Coffee, Broughton Methodist Church – All welcome.

10.00am – Bible Study, Broughton Methodist Church

3.30pm – Quest Club

7.30pm – Youth Group, Broughton Methodist Church

Friday

5.00pm – Choir practice, St Mary's, Broughton.

Saturday

11.30am – Memorial Service and Burial of Ashes for Barbary Greenhow RIP, at St John's Ulpha

READINGS AND PRAYERS

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.

Acts 9:36-end

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

³⁶ 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. ³⁷ At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. ³⁸ 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.' ³⁹ 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. ⁴⁰ 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. ⁴¹ He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. ⁴² This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. ⁴³ Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

*This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.***

Psalm 23

¹ The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.
² He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;
³ he restores my soul.
He leads me in right paths
for his name's sake.
⁴ Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I fear no evil;
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff—
they comfort me.
⁵ You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.
⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
my whole life long.

Revelation 7:9-end

A reading from the Book of Revelation.

⁹ After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰ They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!'

¹¹ And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, ¹² singing,

'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honour
and power and might
be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

¹³ Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' ¹⁴ I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.'

¹⁵ For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

¹⁶ They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat;

¹⁷ for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

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John 10:22-30

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St John. **Glory to you, O Lord.***

²² At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³ and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴ 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.' ²⁵ Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; ²⁶ but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷ My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. ³⁰ The Father and I are one.'

*This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.***

Prayer after Communion

Merciful Father,
you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd,
and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:
keep us always under his protection,
and give us grace to follow in his steps;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Looking ahead

There will be a concert in St Mary's Church, Broughton, on the evening of 28th May, to mark the Jubilee. The Phoenix Singers and other guests will be joining us. Please keep it free in your diary.