

# THE SUNDAY SUPPLEMENT

15<sup>th</sup> May 2022 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

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## STEWARDSHIP

Huge thanks to all who generously contributed to the cost of buying a television for use in Broughton Methodist Church. We are now making use of it almost every week for a pre-recorded programme of worship music, talk and discussion questions for Youth Group. The Thursday morning group has also benefited. A modestly-priced 50" screen from a reputable manufacturer has been purchased, which will be reasonably portable to other venues, and will come in useful where a projector cannot be used.



## PLATINUM JUBILEE

### “Thank you, Ma’am”

There will be an evening of music and anecdote to celebrate the Jubilee, on **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May, 7pm**, in St Mary’s Church, Broughton. A retiring collection will be taken in aid of the Queen’s charities. The Phoenix Singers and members of the Broughton Drama Group will be on hand.

### Jubilee Service

St Cuthbert’s, Kirkby, will offer a thanksgiving service for the Jubilee on **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 1pm**. All are welcome to share in the service of celebration that will be observed in churches up and down the country.

## CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

As Christian Aid week draws to its close, thank you for supporting the various events. Final totals to come! Don’t forget you can still donate online.



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

## This Week

### 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.

## READINGS AND PRAYERS

### 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.

### Acts 16:9-15

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.*

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, ‘Come over to Macedonia and help us.’<sup>10</sup> When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

<sup>11</sup> We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis,<sup>12</sup> and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district<sup>[a]</sup> of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days.<sup>13</sup> On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there.<sup>14</sup> A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul.<sup>15</sup> When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, ‘If you have judged me to be

faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon us.

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

### **Psalm 67**

- <sup>1</sup> May God be gracious to us and bless us  
and make his face to shine upon us,  
<sup>2</sup> that your way may be known upon earth,  
your saving power among all nations.  
<sup>3</sup> Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.  
<sup>4</sup> Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,  
for you judge the peoples with equity  
and guide the nations upon earth.  
<sup>5</sup> Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.  
<sup>6</sup> The earth has yielded its increase;  
God, our God, has blessed us.  
<sup>7</sup> May God continue to bless us;  
let all the ends of the earth revere him.

### **Revelation 21:10, 22 – 22:5**

*A reading from the Book of Revelation.*

In the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

<sup>22</sup> I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup> And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup> The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. <sup>25</sup> Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup> People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. <sup>27</sup> But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

**22** Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup> through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup> Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; <sup>4</sup> they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. <sup>5</sup> And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever.

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

### **John 14:23-29**

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

<sup>23</sup> Jesus answered him, 'Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. <sup>24</sup> Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

<sup>25</sup> 'I have said these things to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup> 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. <sup>27</sup> 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. <sup>28</sup> You heard me say to you, "I am going away, and I am coming to you." If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. <sup>29</sup> And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.

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

### **Prayer after Communion**

God our Father,  
whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life:  
may we thirst for you,  
the spring of life and source of goodness,  
through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.