
Sunday 5th

7th SUNDAY OF EASTER

08.00 Holy Communion [LB]

10.00 Jubilate Eucharist
[St Andrew's, Sandon]

10.30 United Morning Worship
'Homecoming Service'
*[United Reformed Chapel,
Little Baddow]*

Monday 6th

09.00 Morning Prayer [LBC]

Wednesday 8th

09.15 Holy Communion [S]

Thursday 9th

10.00 House Communion [LB]
The Fold, High Pastures

Sunday 12th

PENTECOST

10.00 Parish Eucharist [LB]

18.30 Evening Parish Eucharist [S]

18.30 United Evening Worship
[LB-URC]

SHAPE

Your SHAPE for God's Service aims to enable church members to understand the unique SHAPE God has made them, the gifts he has given them and how he might want to use them. This is so that God's Kingdom may be built up as each person finds the ministry to which God is calling them in the Church and in the world. Hopefully this will enable participants to live and serve with more joy, satisfaction and fruitfulness. This should build a healthy growing church, and will affect the way each person engages with their family, friends, job, local community, and voluntary / leisure activities.

This six session series [OVER THREE EVENINGS] of study and

discussion is for the people of Sandon and Little Baddow, led by Revd. Clive Ashley at St Andrew's Church, Sandon starting at 7.30pm on the following evenings:

Monday 6th June,

Monday 13th June

Wednesday 22nd June.

If you'd like to come, just let Clive know.

VESTRY HOUR

Clive (Priest-in-Charge) will be in the Vestry at St Mary's on Monday's between 10am and 11am for anyone in either of the parishes who wishes to enquire about Baptisms, Weddings etc or to make a future appointment to discuss other matters more privately, there may be the odd week when I am granted leave to be on holiday!

Wednesday 15th JUNE

NEW COMMUNITY GOSPEL CHOIR

We have started a new choir! If you would love to sing or play your heart out in Church to some of the best worship tunes and rhythms written? Then come and join us, we will need singers and musicians who are willing to give it a go! Wednesday 15th JUNE 2011 at 8pm in St. Andrew's Church, Sandon.

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*part of the Chelmer Crouch
Group Ministry*

Sunday after Ascension Day

7th SUNDAY of EASTER

5TH JUNE 2011

A warm welcome is extended to visitors. Coffee, tea and soft drinks is normally served after the 10am Service [in Church at St Mary's Church and in The St Andrew's Room at St Andrew's Church]. Please stay and join in.

If you normally receive Holy Communion you are welcome to receive Communion (the Sacraments of bread and wine) here too.
If you do not normally receive Holy Communion you are very welcome to come forward to receive a blessing (please carry a service book with you) you will never be alone. If you are interested in being

Confirmed, please enquire with the Minister/Priest.

If you would appreciate **gluten free bread**, please inform a Church Warden at the door prior to the service beginning.

We hope you find the Pews as comfortable as the hay bales this morning!

For the 5 minutes before a service begins let us try to keep a time of silence as we prepare for worship.

Collect

O God the King of glory,
you have exalted your only Son
Jesus Christ
with great triumph to your
kingdom in heaven:
we beseech you, leave us not
comfortless,
but send your Holy Spirit to
strengthen us
and exalt us to the place where
our Saviour Christ is gone before,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

FIRST READING

Acts 1.6-14

6 So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?'
7 He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that

the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' ⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.'

¹² Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. ¹³When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. ¹⁴All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

THE GOSPEL

John 17.1-11

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, ²since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. ⁵So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

⁶ 'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And now I

am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

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The Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, giver of love and power,
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:
confirm us in this mission,
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Parish Ministry Workshops

A time to explore further involvement in worship or simply refresh something you are already doing. You are invited to one, two or all of the three 90 minute 'workshops' which will be held for

both parishes in St Andrew's Church during July, the first will be:

11th July 'How to lead prayers (intercessions) in a Church service'

19th July 'How to assist with the Chalice at Holy Communion'

25th July 'How to read the Bible in a Church service'

All begin at 7.30pm and end at 9pm. If you'd like to come, speak to Clive, or leave a tel. message, write to him or simply email: cliveashley@btinternet.com

I am no longer my own but yours.
Put me to what you will,
rank me with whom you will;
put me to doing, put me to suffering;
let me be employed for you or laid aside for you,
exalted for you or brought low for you.
Let me be full, let me be empty,
let me have all things, let me have nothing.
I freely and wholeheartedly yield all things
to your pleasure and disposal.
**And now, glorious and blessed God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
you are mine and I am yours.
So be it.
And the covenant made on earth,
let it be ratified in heaven.
Amen.**