

First Reading at Service
Reading from the New Testament
Acts 9: verses 36 to 43
Aeneas and Dorcas

In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (in Greek her name is Dorcas); she was always doing good and helping the poor. About that time she became sick and died, and her body was washed and placed in an upstairs room. Lydda was near Joppa; so when the disciples heard that Peter was in Lydda, they sent two men to him and urged him, "Please come at once!"

Peter went with them, and when he arrived, he was taken upstairs to the room. All the widows stood around him, crying and showing him the robes and other clothing, that Dorcas had made while she was still with them.

Peter sent them all out of the room; then he got down on his knees and prayed. Turning toward the dead woman, he said, "Tabitha, get up." She opened her eyes, and seeing Peter she sat up. He took her by the hand and helped her to her feet. Then he called for the believers, especially the widows, and presented her to them alive. This became known all over Joppa, and many people believed in the Lord. Peter stayed in Joppa for some time with a tanner named Simon.

This is the word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading at Service
Gospel Reading
John 10: verses 22 to 30
Further Conflict Over Jesus' Claims

Then came the Festival of Dedication at Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was in the temple courts walking in Solomon's Colonnade. The Jews who were there gathered around him, saying, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly."

Jesus answered, "I did tell you, but you do not believe. The works I do in my Father's name testify about me, but you do not believe because you are not my sheep. My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. I and the Father are one."

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Reading from the Old Testament
Genesis 7: verses 1 to 5 and 11 to 18
Noah and the Flood

The Lord then said to Noah, "Go into the ark, you and your whole family, because I have found you righteous in this generation. Take with you seven pairs of every kind of clean animal, a male and its mate, and one pair of every kind of unclean animal, a male and its

mate, and also seven pairs of every kind of bird, male and female, to keep their various kinds alive throughout the earth. Seven days from now I will send rain on the earth for forty days and forty nights, and I will wipe from the face of the earth every living creature I have made."

And Noah did all that the Lord commanded him. In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, on the seventeenth day of the second month—on that day all the springs of the great deep burst forth, and the floodgates of the heavens were opened. And rain fell on the earth forty days and forty nights.

On that very day Noah and his sons, Shem, Ham and Japheth, together with his wife and the wives of his three sons, entered the ark. They had with them every wild animal according to its kind, all livestock according to their kinds, every creature that moves along the ground according to its kind and every bird according to its kind, everything with wings. Pairs of all creatures that have the breath of life in them came to Noah and entered the ark. The animals going in were male and female of every living thing, as God had commanded Noah. Then the Lord shut him in.

For forty days the flood kept coming on the earth, and as the waters increased they lifted the ark high above the earth. The waters rose and increased greatly on the earth, and the ark floated on the surface of the water.

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Notices

Refreshments – everyone is welcome to join us after the service for a cuppa and biscuit at the back of church and chat with fellow worshippers.

Favourite Hymns & Worship Songs - Thank you to those who have handed me their favourite hymns and worship songs. I currently have over 120 different songs on the list, but if you would still like me to add your favourites, then either leave your choices in the folder at the back of church or hand them directly to me over the next few weeks. Many thanks, Andrew Everett.

It's 'No Mow May'. - Just don't mow your lawn in May, which allows some wildflowers and weeds to bloom. This -- along with longer grasses -- provides valuable nectar and habitat for pollinators just when they are hatching or coming out of hibernation".

Next Week

18th May – 5th Sunday of Easter
Holy Communion with Baptism



Here is this week's **GREEN TIP**
MODERN MILKMAN



To protect our planet from waste, you can have a return and reuse cycle for your pint-sized glass bottles and refillable pots. When you've slurped every sip and crunched every crumb, just give the empties a quick rinse and leave them on your doorstep to be collected. The modern milkman will make sure they're washed and reused. No hassle. No waste. No faff!



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sheet, please contact Emma Jones.*

**WELCOME TO
ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH
KIRK LANGLEY**

**Sunday 11th May 2025
Fourth Sunday of Easter**



Today's service is Morning Prayer

*If you have a prayer request, please pass to
the Church Warden*

Please take this leaflet home with you for reference.