

First Reading at Service

Reading from the New Testament

Acts 16: verses 9 to 15

Paul's Vision of the Man of Macedonia

During the night Paul had a vision of a man of Macedonia standing and begging him, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." After Paul had seen the vision, we got ready at once to leave for Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

Lydia's Conversion in Philippi

From Troas we put out to sea and sailed straight for Samothrace, and the next day we went on to Neapolis. From there we travelled to Philippi, a Roman colony and the leading city of that district of Macedonia. And we stayed there several days.

On the Sabbath we went outside the city gate to the river, where we expected to find a place of prayer. We sat down and began to speak to the women who had gathered there. One of those listening was a woman from the city of Thyatira named Lydia, a dealer in purple cloth. She was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to respond to Paul's message. When she and the members of her household were baptized, she invited us to her home. "If you consider me a believer in the Lord," she said, "come and stay at my house." And she persuaded us.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading at Service

Gospel Reading

John 14: verses 23 to 29

Jesus Promises the Holy Spirit

Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me. "All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. "You heard me say, 'I am going away and I am coming back to you.' If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe.

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Reading from the Old Testament

Ezekiel 37: verses 1 to 14

The Valley of Dry Bones

The hand of the Lord was on me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the Lord and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me back and forth among them, and I saw a great many bones on the floor of the valley, bones that were very dry. He asked

me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" I said, "Sovereign Lord, you alone know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones and say to them, 'Dry bones, hear the word of the Lord! This is what the Sovereign Lord says to these bones: I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life. I will attach tendons to you and make flesh come upon you and cover you with skin; I will put breath in you, and you will come to life. Then you will know that I am the Lord.'" So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I was prophesying, there was a noise, a rattling sound, and the bones came together, bone to bone. I looked, and tendons and flesh appeared on them and skin covered them, but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath; prophecy, son of man, and say to it, 'This is what the Sovereign Lord says: Come, breath, from the four winds and breathe into these slain, that they may live.'" So I prophesied as he commanded me, and breath entered them; they came to life and stood up on their feet—a vast army. Then he said to me: "Son of man, these bones are the people of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up and our hope is gone; we are cut off.' Therefore prophecy and say to them: 'This is what the Sovereign Lord says: My people, I am going to open your graves and bring you up from them; I will bring you back to the land of Israel. Then you, my people, will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and bring you up from them. I will put my Spirit in you and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the Lord have spoken, and I have done it, declares the Lord.'

Notices

Refreshments – Refreshments – do join us after the service at the back of church for a drink and biscuit. A new rota has been placed on the noticeboard at the back of church for June and July. Please sign up to help and thank you to all those who help.

May 29th Ascension Day

Holy Communion
10.30am
All Saints'
Kedleston Hall
All welcome!



Park in the car park and let the staff on the ticket desk know you are attending the service. You are free to use the cafe and bookshop after the service.

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".

Thank you – to all those who continue to support the food bank. Food is always needed so please consider donating where you can.

Next Sunday

1st June – Morning Prayer – 9.30am
7th Sunday of Easter

Here is this week's **GREEN TIP!**
REPENT & RESPOND
Fires on the Derbyshire Moors in early spring, some of the hottest temperatures ever in April and spring sown crops failing due to the drought.
Time to repent and respond.
Amen.



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

**Sunday 25th May 2025
Sixth 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.