

16 APRIL 2017

Welcome to our services today. If you are here for the first time, we hope you will soon feel at home. Please take a moment to fill out one of the yellow 'welcome cards' and hand it to one of the service leaders and do stay for refreshments served after the morning service.

Children: This morning is an all age service, children will remain in the service.

He is risen.

EASTER DAY

9:45am **Prayer** – in church before the service, all welcome

10:00am **All Age Communion: Easter Celebration**
Leading: James White Speaking: Rod Paterson
Reading: John 20: 1-8

6:30pm **Easter Communion**
Leading & Speaking: Rod Paterson
Readings: John 20: 1-8

CHURCH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Wed 19th 2:30pm Meeting Point
Fri 21st 3:00pm Wedding
Sun 23rd 10:00am Morning Worship & APCM
6:30pm Healing Prayer with Communion

The full calendar including church bookings is available at www.holyapostles.org.uk

Homegroups: We have a number of homegroups that run during the week. A list of current homegroups, and when they meet is on the display at the back of church. If you are interested in joining a homegroup please contact John Lawrence.

NOTICES

THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who has donated items and helped to put the finishing touches to the church hall.



HELP NEEDED FOR OUR NEW CAFÉ!

Would you able to offer a morning or afternoon each week to staff the new café in the church hall? The role will involve setting up, serving drinks and cake and clearing up. Training will be given. Please speak to Amy or Jon for more information.

HELP NEEDED AT SUNFLOWERS

Could you join a team on Monday mornings, term time only, for just 45 minutes, 8.30am to 9.15am to set up for Sunflowers Stay and Play Group? Please speak to Miriam or Beanie.

LAY WORKER VACANCY

The Methodist Church, Gloucestershire Circuit is looking to appoint a lay worker for hospitality and pastoral care at Bethesda Methodist Church. The post is from September for 24 hours per week. More details and an application form are available from the Circuit Office, Tel: 01452 415769

Email: gloscircuit1@btconnect.com

Closing date: Friday 28th April 2017



THE BIG SING 2017

Don't miss the exhilarating festival launch!

Saturday 22nd April, 7pm, The Town Hall

THE MARK DRAMA

A Performance of the whole of Mark's Gospel in just 90 minutes!

Saturday 29th April, 7:30pm at Holy Apostles Church

Sunday 30th April, 3pm at Elim Christian Centre

THE GOD PARTICLE

A romantic comedy with a hint of sci-fi.

Performed by Ben Goodman and Bethany Goodman

Tuesday 2nd May, 7:30pm, Holy Apostles Church

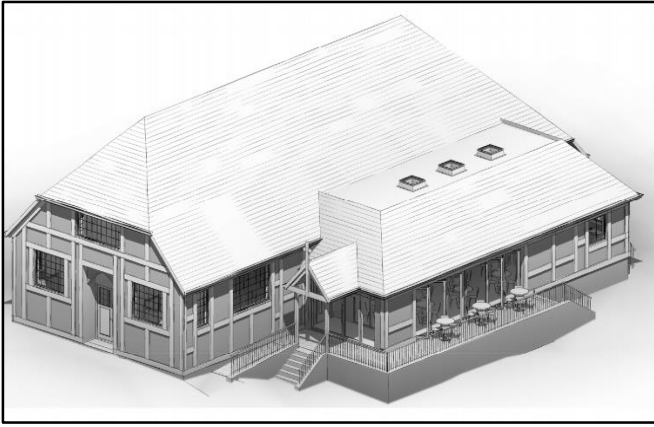
Remember to book tickets and free places:

www.christianartsfestival.org

or call 01242 898403

Lunch for 18!

Could you help to provide lunch for the Mark Drama Team Rehearsal on Saturday 29 April? Please speak to Beanie.



THE HALL IS OPEN!

Please join us in the church hall after the morning service. There will be coffee & cake, a chance to explore the new building and an Easter egg hunt.

NEXT SUNDAY

Church Annual Meeting - 23rd April 2017

The Church Annual Meeting will be held at 10am Sunday 23rd April as part of our morning worship.

Elections This year at the Church Annual Meeting we will be electing two Churchwardens, three PCC members and four Deanery Synod Reps.

To be eligible to stand for any of these positions you should have been on the Electoral roll for at least 12 months.

Please pray for God's guidance, that the people of his choice may be elected to these positions. Please be thinking if you might stand for one of these positions, nomination forms are on the table at the back of church.

APCM Documents This year we have cut down on paper by sending out APCM reports (Annual Report and Financial End of Year Financial Statements, Agenda and Minutes from last year's APCM) by email. If you are on the Church Family List, you should have already received these. If you are not on the Church Family List but would like to receive the documents by email, please contact Amy in the Church Office. There are some hard copies available at the back of church for those without email access.

BIBLE READING

JOHN 20: 1-8

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. ² So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"

³ So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. ⁴ Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, ⁷ as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus' head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. ⁸ Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed.