



# Team Parish of Christ the King St Aidan's, Brunton Park

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2024**  
**Easter 3**

Through these first few weeks after Easter we hear stories of the disciples meeting the risen Jesus. This morning, in our reading from Luke's Gospel he meets them once more, and we're given one of those wonderful small details the Bible sometimes offers, that he ate a piece of broiled fish with them. The risen Christ was tangibly present to his disciples in this appearance, and as they met him as he proclaimed 'Peace be with you', as he ate a meal with them, and as he 'opened their minds to understand the scriptures.'

For us, after Jesus' return to his heavenly Father, we no longer have that tangible presence, and yet we still meet the risen Jesus. We meet him, as he speaks his promise of peace to our hearts. We meet him as we share in the meal of the church. We meet him as we read the scriptures and our minds too are opened. So this Easter season, perhaps we might ask how we too have met the risen Jesus.

## **Acts 3.12-19**

Peter addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.'

'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.'

## **Luke 24.36b-48**

While the eleven and their companions were talking about what they had heard, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you - that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.''

## **TODAY**

9.30am: **Easter 3** Rev'd Gerard Rundell presides and preaches

## **THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Mon-Fri** 8.50am, Church: **Morning Prayer**

**Wed** 10.00am, Church: **BCP Midweek Eucharist**

**Sat** 10am, Community Room: **Saturday Café**

**Sun** 9.30am: **Easter 4** Rev'd Cannon Jean Skinner presides and Rev'd Dr Hannah Malcolm preaches with readings from Acts 4.5-12, 1 John 3.16-24 and John 10.11-18 (Gerard is at St Columba's)

## **DATES FOR THE DIARY**

Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> April 12.15pm: **Funeral Service of Bruce Smith**

Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> April 2.00pm: **Chat and Craft**

Sun 12<sup>th</sup> May 11.30am: **AGM**

## **NOTICES**

**SUNDAY SERVICE** – today's service link is <https://bit.ly/StAidan3rdEaster2024>

**RECYCLING BOXES** - we are now collecting biscuit/cake wrappers and dental products for recycling through Terracycle! You can find the boxes under the book table alongside our stamp recycling and seed collection. The more we collect, the more money gets donated to tree planting and river clean-up charities.

**BLISTER PACKS** – we are aware that many of you are disappointed that we can no longer collect blister packs for recycling. Although this was very successful, it seems for now the only way around this would be if people would be willing to contribute towards paying for us to host a blister pack recycling scheme. If you would like to help please contact Rev'd Hannah.

**SATURDAY BABY & TODDLER ZONE** - We are exploring setting up a baby & toddler zone on three Saturday mornings a month alongside the Saturday cafe. If you would be interested in volunteering, coming along, or donating toys, please talk to Rev'd Hannah.

**BRUCE SMITH** – following the sad news of Bruce's death, we can confirm his funeral will be held on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April at 12:15pm. Please pray for David, Alison and all who mourn his loss.

**EASTER FLOWERS** – thank you to everyone who donated towards flowers for church, we very much appreciate your generosity, and church is looking lovely.

**ELECTORAL ROLL** – in readiness for our AGM we are updating our electoral roll. If you would like to sign up please use the link below, or complete the paperwork at the back of church. [Application for Enrolment on St Aidan's Church Electoral Roll](#).

**ZOOM CODES** – all our Zoom sessions will use only the following details:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7573778713?pwd=NGVjcTRLQjBEaStaYjFDsm1KOURtQT09>

Meeting ID: 757 377 8713 Passcode: StAidan

**BOOKING ZOOM MEETINGS:** if you would like to use the St Aidan's Zoom account for a church meeting, please contact Janice

**FOOD BANK** – any items placed in the box at the back of church will be donated to Kenton Foodbank.

**PLANNED GIVING** - If you would like to set up a regular financial gift to support St Aidan's please click on the following link

<https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/brunton-park-st-aidan-newcastle-upon-tyne>

## **For Our Prayers: St Aidan's Cycle of Prayer**

**For the church** - Churches in our Deanery: Gosforth Parishes. DCC members and officers

**For the community** – Snakes & Ladders Playgroup, Brunton Babies, Nursery & Toddler Groups

**For the world** – all countries facing hardship and conflict. For our own national and political life

**For those in need** - Esther Wooler, Martin Seaton, Bill Yeaman, Sue Bates

**For those who have died** – Gladys Johnston and Bruce Smith, and on their anniversaries: Morris Robinson, Christine Simpson, Stephen Eden, Benita Brown, Raymond Edwards, David Dawson, Margaret Rennie, Arthur Gibson



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