Future Services St Lazarus, Pissouri

10th May (a.m.) Ascension Day. Details to follow.

13th May 6pm Holy Communion

27th May 6pm Holy Communion

St Barnabas, Limassol

29th April 10am Holy Eucharist (followed by AGM) 6th May 10am Holy Eucharist 13th May 10am Holy Eucharist

Notices

1st May, 10am to 1pm. Offers of help to Pam Caulfield please at <u>pamelacaulfield1940@gmail.com</u>. Even if you cannot help, please come and support this important fund raiser for our churches.

SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES **Bible study group** - The next meeting, the last session in our current series, will be on Wednesday 2nd May at 2.30pm. For more details please contact Denise on 97745286 or email denise.weaver@wisenexus.com.



The Licensing of Revd Canon Dr Andrew Mayes will take place at St Barnabas Church on **5 May at 2.30pm**. All welcome.

I Am the Door of the Sheepfold

Not one that's gently hinged or deftly hung,
Not like the ones you planed at Joseph's place,
Not like the well-oiled openings that swung
So easily for Pilate's practiced pace,
Not like the ones that closed in Mary's face
From house to house in brimming Bethlehem,
Not like the one that no man may assail,
The dreadful curtain, the forbidding veil
That waits your breaking in Jerusalem.
Not one you made but one you have become:
Load-bearing, balancing, a weighted beam
To bridge the gap, to bring us within reach
Of your high pasture. Calling us by name,
You lay your body down across the breach,
Yourself the door that opens into home.



Our services are held here in the room under the amphitheatre on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of every month. Please join us for refreshments afterwards.

Welcome to St Lazarus' Anglican Church Pissouri

Part of the Limassol Chaplaincy in the Diocese of Cyprus & the Gulf

Website: http://stlazaruspissouri.org



22nd April 2018 Fourth Sunday of Easter 6pm Holy Communion

President: Archdeacon John Holdsworth

Those who receive Communion in their home Church are welcome to join us at the Lord's Table, or please ask for a blessing.

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Clergy days off -Chris on Friday

Duties for today 22nd April

Sides Denise 'Organist' Mike G

Readings Linda Acts 4:5 – 12

+ Psalm 23

Denise 1 John 3:16 – end

Gospel John 10:11-18

Server Denise

Duties for 13th May

Sides Linda 'Organist' Sue

Readings Carole L Acts 1 vv 15-17, 21-end

+ Psalm 1

John L 1 John 5 vv 9-13 Gospel John 17 vv 6-19

Server Linda

<u>UK Visitors</u>. If you would like to Gift Aid your offertory, please ask for a blue envelope.

Collect for today

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

First Reading – Acts 4:5 – 12

⁵The next day the rulers, the elders and the teachers of the law met in Jerusalem. 6Annas the high priest was there, and so were Caiaphas, John, Alexander and others of the high priest's family. ⁷They had Peter and John brought before them and began to question them: "By what power or what name did you do this?" ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them: "Rulers and elders of the people! 9If we are being called to account today for an act of kindness shown to a man who was lame and are being asked how he was healed, 10 then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed. 11 Jesus is "'the stone you builders rejected, which has become the cornerstone.' 12 Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."

Psalm 23

1 The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters,

3 he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake.

4 Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

6 Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now and shall be forever. Amen.

Second Reading - 1 John 3:16 - end

¹⁶This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. 17 If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person? 18 Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth. ¹⁹This is how we know that we belong to the truth and how we set our hearts at rest in his presence: 20 If our hearts condemn us, we know that God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. 21 Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God ²² and receive from him anything we ask, because we keep his commands and do what pleases him. 23 And this is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as he commanded us. 24 The one who keeps God's commands lives in him, and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us.

Hymn 649: The King of love my shepherd is

Gospel – John 10:11-18

11"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. 12 The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. 13 The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. 14"I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me—15 just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep. 16 I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd. 17 The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life only to take it up again. 18 No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father."

Offertory Hymn 337: I will sing the wondrous story

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Hymn 16: All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name