

The Parish Church of St Martin

Bowness-on-Windermere



ST MARTIN'S
You're always welcome

Fourth Sunday of Easter
26th April 2026

A loop system is in operation for hearing aid users with a 'T' switch.
Large print copies of this sheet & the hymn book are available. Please
ask if you would like one.

Living Lord, as we offer to you our common life,
refresh our vision that we may know your will
& seek to follow in all your ways.
May we follow daily as your disciples,
care deeply for one another in community,
speak boldly your gospel word of love,
& tread gently as faithful stewards of your goodness.
We ask this in the power of your holy name,
Creator, Redeemer & Sustainer of our lives,
today & for ever. Amen

A warm welcome to you all, especially to anyone visiting this morning.

Collect & Post Communion Prayer for the Fourth Sunday of Easter

Collect

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.

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.

10.00 a.m.

Morning Praise

Leader: Liz Haworth

Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Hymn 475

Now the green blade riseth

Prayers of Penitence

Praise

1. The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;
he makes me lie in pastures green,
he leads me by the still, still waters,
his goodness restores my soul.
*And I will trust in you alone,
and I will trust in you alone,
for your endless mercy follows me,
your goodness will lead me home.*

2. He guides my ways in righteousness,
and he anoints my head with oil;
and my cup - it overflows with joy,
I feast on his pure delights.
And I will trust...

I will not fear the evil one,
for you are with me, and your rod and
staff
are the comfort I need to know.
And I will trust...

3. And though I walk the darkest path -

Stuart Townend (b.1963)

First reading

Acts 2.42-47 (p.103 NT) read by Christine Pickering

Second reading

John 10.1-10 (p.88 NT) read by Jill Butler

Sermon

The Revd Olivia Haines

Affirmation of Faith

Hymn 88

Brother, sister let me serve you

Intercessions, Lord's
Prayer & Collect

Jill Butler

Hymn 305

I danced in the morning (Lord of the dance)



Coffee & refreshments will be served, after the service, at the back of church.

Today 11.45 a.m. Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

This week

We pray for the life of the Church in our benefice and wider diocese, and for all who are called to lead and serve. We pray especially for Michael, as he is consecrated bishop: for wisdom in leadership, humility in service, and courage in speaking the truth in love. We pray for our parishes and communities, for all who worship, serve, and seek faith, that we may be places of welcome, hope, and renewal.



9.30 a.m. Church alarms to be serviced



10.30 a.m. Holy Communion
President/Preacher: Revd Canon Clarence Hendrickse



Standing Committee meeting. Time to be confirmed.

Next Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Easter

11.00 a.m. Morning Praise (PLEASE NOTE NEW TIME)

Leader: Rosemary Rooke

12.30 p.m. Lunch Bunch lunch

Dates for the month can be found in Parish News or on the website on the 'What's on' page.

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**NOTICE BOARD**  
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If there is anything you would like the PCC to discuss please notify Martin Rayner, or Sarah Svatin in the office, before the Standing Committee meeting on April 30th.

Churchwardens We are grateful for an offer to be PCC secretary in the coming year, & to Rosemary who has agreed to be responsible for opening up the church for services. We are also looking for up to four people who will share the role of churchwarden for the coming year. Please have a word with Mike Fletcher for more information.

Welcoming has restarted. New welcomers are always needed & full training & support is provided. Please speak to Ann Wanska if you would like to know more about this rewarding & essential role. We would love to have you on the team!

Church Log Book - please use the folder, located in the St John's Room, on the Rector's bookshelf, to note down any faults, repairs, or jobs requiring attention (i.e. light bulbs needing to be replaced; leaking pipes etc).

Recycle your used stamps Please leave envelopes with stamps attached, or stamps with a half-inch border of envelope around them, on Sarah's desk in the St John's Room. These will be passed on to St Mary's Hospice in Ulverston. Thank you.

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