

## Lambourn Valley Contacts

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## Prayers for People

**We continue to pray for:** Robert Jefferys, Anthony Jefferson, Tony Basden, Sarah Brooks, Helene Haw, June East, Kath Petty and Rev'd Bill Stewart.

## Deanery Prayer Cycle

### Thatcham

Mark Bennet, Marion Fontaine, Alec Gill,  
Pat Jones, and Brenda Harland  
St. Mary Thatcham, St. Barnabas Thatcham

## Notices & Diary Dates

### Lambourn Methodist Church

It is with considerable sadness that I report that we have been notified by Deacon Shirley Mackintosh that:-

"After prayerful consideration, and with due regard to falling numbers, the average age of the congregation and the lack of people to manage all the work needed just to maintain the current situation, we have reluctantly decided to close the building (ie Lambourn Methodist Church and Hall), with a celebration service to be planned for Sunday 26 June, probably at 4pm – details to be confirmed."

At present, it looks likely that Lambourn MC will meet in the Memorial Hall, possibly once a month in the afternoon, but that may change after further discussion. We will, of course keep you up to date with developments. We are very grateful for the kind invitation from St Michael's PCC to join them in worship, or to use the church at another time, this is something that we are holding for further consideration.

**Please pray** for our Christian neighbours at this difficult time.

We will seek to ensure that valuable work like the Mother's and Toddler's Group are able to be sustained.

**Please send items for inclusion in the Lambourn Valley Welcome by 4.00pm on Wednesday at the latest to both: (Please start Subject Line with VW)**  
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## Lambourn Valley Welcome

St James the Greater Eastbury  
All Saints East Garston  
St Michael & All Angels Lambourn

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2016**

**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**Welcome to everyone!**

**We are glad to have you join us  
as we worship God in this church.**

## The Week Ahead

### Today:

9.00am Family Communion East Garston  
10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn

### Monday:

9.30am Prayers Lambourn

### Wednesday:

3.00pm Deanery Synod Standing Committee

### Friday:

10.00am Pram Service Lambourn

### Saturday:

11.00am Prayer Walk Meridian House Lambourn

## Next Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2016 Pentecost

8.00am Holy Communion BCP Lambourn  
9.30am Family Communion Eastbury  
11.00am Family Service + Baptism  
Petra Violet Hattamore  
Emmaline Annie-Mae Mitchell  
6.30pm Choral Evensong East Garston

### Readings

Acts 2: 1-21; Romans 8: 14-17,  
John 14:8-17.

## Notices & Diary Dates

**14th May 2016 Prayer walk** – 10.30am /11.00am

In response to the request of the Archbishops of Canterbury and York we are organising a prayer walk in Pentecost week starting at Meridian House and walking up Greenways to a point where we can see along the valley to Eastbury and the edges of East Garston. We will pray for the whole valley, from this magnificent vantage point. Do come and join in. If you would like to walk from the Church, we will meet at 10.30 in the square. If you would like to park at Meridian and walk from there please arrive by 11.00 am.

### 24th May Confirmation

The Newbury Deanery Confirmation at Compton.

**27th & 28th May Eastbury Flower Festival.**

**12th June Lambourn Church Fete 2.30 pm**

# Prayers and Readings



## The Collect for Today

O God the King of glory,  
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ  
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:  
we beseech you, leave us not comfortless,  
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us  
and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is  
gone before,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## Short Collect

Risen, ascended Lord,  
as we rejoice at your triumph,  
fill your Church on earth with power and compassion,  
that all who are estranged by sin  
may find forgiveness and know your peace,  
to the glory of God the Father.

## Acts 16:16–34

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

## Revelation 22: 12-14, 16-17, 20-21

'See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.'

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

'It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.'

The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.'

And let everyone who hears say, 'Come.'

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

The one who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.'

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

## John 17:20–26

'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

## Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, giver of love and power,  
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world  
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:  
confirm us in this mission,  
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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## Notices & Diary Dates

### An Evening with Jane Austen - POSTPONED

It is with regret that this event, which was advertised in the May issue of Village Views to be held at All Saints Church on 14<sup>th</sup> May, has had to be postponed due to unforeseen circumstances. It is hoped that we will be able to arrange a new date later in the year.

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