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**Sunday** **18th May 2025 The Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**Welcome** **to Buckingham Parish Church.**

**If you are new here, this section is for you!**

**Children and Youth:** We have great provision for children and youth. Scan QR code below for details.



**Sermons:** These are recorded and available through our website and BPC app. See the QR code above.

**Streaming:** All our services are livestreamed and available to watch on our YouTube channel. See the QR Code above. If you do not wish to be included, please sit at the rear of the church or in the side aisles.

**Giving:** Please use a standing order (forms at the back of church) or the QR code above. We don’t take offerings during services, but you can make donations via ChurchSuite, the card reader at the back of the church or put cash into the wall box by the font.

**Sunday 18th May Themes and Readings**

**9.00am: God has granted even the Gentiles repentance unto life.**

Acts 11: 1-18 pg 1105; John 13: 31-35 pg 1081

**Preacher:** Rev. Will Pearson-Gee

**11.00am: All Together Family Service with lunch**

**On Fire: Showdown on Mount Carmel**

1 Kings 18: 1 - 2 & 17 – 40 pg 359

**Preacher:** Rev. Sarah Harrison-Potts

**6.00pm: On Fire: Showdown on Mount Carmel**

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**Preacher:** Keith Hagon

***Prayer Ministry:*** Available at all Sunday services in the Prayer Chapel. Receiving prayer brings the Lord’s healing and wholeness.

***Pray through the week* for** those who mourn or are unwell, that they may be comforted by God’s presence.

**The Week Ahead:**

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| Mon 19th May | 2.00pm – 4.00pm | Tea and Chat, at The Centre, Verney Close |
| Tue 20th May | 10.00am – 12 noon | Coffee and Company, atThe Centre, Verney Close |
| 12 noon | Community Lunch |
| Wed 21st May | 10.00am | Holy Communion |
| 7.00pm – 8.30pm | Alpha |
| Thurs 22nd May | 9.30 – 11.00am | The Ark |
| 10.00am – 12 noon | Coffee and Company, at The Centre, Verney Close |
| 3.40pm – 5.00pm | Prayer for the World |
| 6:30pm – 8:30pm | Youth Hub at BPC |
| 7.00pm - 8.30pm | Choir Practice |
| Fri 23rd May | 7.00pm - 7.30pm | Prayer meeting on Zoom: for details contact Paul Wallace on bpcprayermeeting@protonmail.com |
| Sat 24th May | 9.00am – 10.30am | Holiday Club prayer meeting at The Centre |
| 10.30am – 12 noon | Coffee Service Café |
| Sun 25th May | **The Sixth Sunday of Easter** |
| 9.00am | Traditional Holy Communion Service |
| 11.00am | Family Service |
| 6.00pm | Contemporary Service |

**Newcomers:** Please fill in a Welcome Card if you are new and want to be a part of the church family. We would love to invite you to the next afternoon tea where you will meet members of our staff team and church family. Our next welcome tea is on 21st June. Please contact Sue Fox at parector@bpchurch.uk for details.

**Connect Groups:** If you would like to join one of our small groups who meet during the week, please contact Jo Wigley or Phil and Gill Blackledge by email on connect@bpchurch.uk.

**Prayer for the World:** We will be meeting on Thursday 22nd May at 4pm in church to pray for our troubled world, our Mission Partners and the persecuted church.  Please join us.  This month there will be no refreshments. For further details contact zenagreig@hotmail.co.uk

**Christian Aid Week 2025:** There is a church collection for Christian Aid today – you are invited to donate to Christian Aid via the envelope you have been given. The envelope can be returned today (there is a collection plate at the back of church), or bring it back next Sunday, or drop it off at the church office during the week.  Thank you.

**Families Camp-Out:** Save the date for a night under canvas at Stampwell Farm Saturday 31st May to Sunday 1st June. Visit bpchurch.uk/camping (or speak to Will).

**9am Congregation lunch:** There will be a 9am Congregation lunch gathering on Sunday 8th June at The Centre at 12.30pm. Please sign up at the back of church or let the office know. Once again this will be catered for with a cash donation welcome on the day. Offers to help on the setting up team and kitchen team welcome.

**Vacancy:** Our worship has experienced significant growth, and we are now seeking a part-time Worship leader/pastor, who is called to build on this foundation, leading, inspiring, and empowering us to worship God in Spirit and truth. Closing date for applications is **30th June 2025**. Interviews will be arranged after shortlisting. Will would love to talk to anyone thinking of applying to better describe the role so do get in touch with him *rector@bpchurch.uk* or to know more about the role please get in touch with Divya Jacob at *hr@bpchurch.uk*

**Holiday Club** returns 12th–15th August, and we still need more leaders and helpers so we can welcome more children. Volunteer by emailing *abi.holidayclub@gmail.com.* Please pray for the team and for the children attending. Also, join us at The Centre, Verney Close from 9:00–10:30am every 4th Saturday of the month for a time of prayer; the next one is on 24th May. Join us for all or part of the time.

**Pentecost Baptisms: Pentecost Baptisms:**On 8th June we are planning on having some baptisms by full immersion. If this is a step of faith you feel called to please speak to a member of the ministry team.

**Pentecost Quiz and Karaoke:** on Saturday 7th June from 6pm: Get ready for a fantastic evening of quiz and karaoke with the whole family as we celebrate Pentecost!  Expect lively quiz rounds with something for everyone, from Bible trivia to general knowledge.  Step up to the mic and sing your heart out or just enjoy the musical moments with friends and family! bpchurch.uk/quiz

**Useful contact details:**

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Sunday Operations: Andrew Gibson: *operations@bpchurch.uk*

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Production: Mike Roskell: *production@bpchurch.uk*

Safeguarding Team: Glynnis Eastwood/Jane Wardale: s*afeguarding@bpchurch.uk*

Prayer Chain: If you need or know of someone who needs prayer,

 Please call Gill Croxton who heads up the Prayer

 Chain *(815100)*

Connect Groups: Phil & Gill Blackledge *connect@bpchurch.uk*

Stewardship Co-ordinator: Brian & Tracy Roskell: *stewardship@bpchurch.uk*

Women’s Fellowship: *women@bpchurch.uk*

**Full-service information:** [***www.bpchurch.uk/services***](http://www.bpchurch.uk/services)

**Website: *www.bpchurch.uk***

Parish Office: weekdays 10am–Noon *office@bpchurch.u**k*

 *(830220)*

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**Notice Sheet:** If you would like to submit an item for the notice sheet, please email the office: *office@bpchurch.uk* by 6pm on Wednesday. Any items received after this time will be listed in the following week’s notice sheet.