HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH – CROYDON 5th Sunday of Easter – 15th May 2022

HYMN 1-332 - Christ is made the sure

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

OT Reading - Genesis 22 - vv 1-18 Craig

After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." ² He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." ³ So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. ⁴On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. 5 Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." 6 Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. ⁷ Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is

the lamb for a burnt offering?" ⁸ Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together.

⁹ When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. 10 Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. 11 But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." 12 He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." 13 And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴ So Abraham called that place "The Lord will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided." ¹⁵ The angel of the Lord called to Abraham a second time from heaven, ¹⁶ and said, "By myself I have sworn, says the Lord: Because you have done this, and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷ I will indeed bless you, and I will make your offspring as numerous as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of their enemies, ¹⁸ and by your offspring shall all the nations of the earth gain blessing for themselves, because you have obeyed my voice

Psalm 148 – vv 1-6 Laudate Dominum

¹ O PRAISE the Lord of heaven: praise him in the height. ² Praise him, all ye angels of his: praise him, all his host.

³ Praise him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars and light. ⁴ Praise him, all ye heavens: and ye waters that are above the heavens. ⁵ Let them praise the Name of the Lord: for He spake the word, and they were made; he commanded, and they were created.

⁶ He hath made them fast for ever and ever: he hath given them a law which shall not be broken.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

NT Reading – Acts 11 – vv 1-18- Sheri

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. ² So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, ³ saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" ⁴Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 5 "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. ⁶ As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. 7 I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' 8 But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.'

⁹ But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' 10 This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. 11 At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. 12 The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. 13 He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; 14 he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' 15 And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. 16 And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' 17 If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" 18 When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Hymn 2 117- Praise to the Holiest

Gospel- John 13- vv 31-35

³¹ When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³² If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once.

little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Prayers of Intercession – Marie

We Pray Especially This Week:

- For our church and diocese
- For those struggling with finances
- For the homeless

We Pray for those Unwell in Body, Mind or Spirit

Barbara Grant, Margaret L, Janine
Hayland, Janet & John J, Stephen
McBean, Geraldine, Sandra, Kat's sister
Christine, Jean, Sarah's mother Fedora,
Juliet, Veronica F's friend, Macknes
family, Henry, Evonne, Matt, Tabitha's
aunt, Brenda, Viv, Stephanie, Cyril &
Janet, Minnie, Alexander, Trisha, Cousin
Zen, all at 44 Kimberley Road &
Christopher, Miriam, Denise M, Ernestine,
Simon & Samantha, Girish, Ethel, Pat &
Enid, Bridget, Ina, Tony, Noel, Irene, Ron,
Avril and all those we know and love

† We pray for the souls of Jenny Prentice and Margaret Shipman, +May light perpetual shine upon them, May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

We pray for those who are mourning

We Give Thanks and Praise:

- For our new PCC and Churchwardens
- For council workers
- For students working for their exams

Offertory Hymn – 116 – All Things Bright and Beautiful

Communion Hymn

135 – Rock of Ages

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth,

and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

HHS 63 - Make me a channel

A PRAYER DURING INTERREGNUM

Interregnum period We call on you for guidance, vision and renewed hope. As we seek a new incumbent oh Lord, We ask for someone who will be filled with Godly love Faithful in prayer and be prepared to serve you with joy. May the work that they do impact positively on Holy Saviour and the wider community.

As we pray and wait faithfully, help us to remember that the plans you have for us are not filled with harm, but give us that reassurance of a future filled with hope. Thank you oh Lord for continuing on this journey with us.

AMEN

Final Hymn – He's got the whole world in His hands

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NOTICES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Today 10.00am-11.30am – Fifth Sunday of Easter + Baptism of Jaela.

We welcome Jaela's family and friends here today. Revd Ada presiding

and preaching

Tues 17 May 7.30pm-8.30pm – Night Prayer with mindfulness meditation (Zoom)

Weds 18 May 10am-10.45am Midweek Service in church

Thurs 19 May 7pm-9pm – PCC Meeting in the hall

Sat 21 May 10.00am-10.30am Prayers for Healing & Wholeness

10.30am-11.30am Holy Dusters & Parish Office for baptisms

(Christenings), Weddings and hall bookings

Sun 22 May 10am-11.15am – Sixth Sunday of Easter

HE'S GOT THE WHOLE WORLD IN HIS HANDS

- 1. He's got the whole world in his hands. X 3 He's got the whole world in his hands.
- 2. He's got the wind and the rain in his hands.x3 He's got the whole world in his hands.
- He's got the little tiny baby in his hands x 3
 He's got the whole world in his hands.
- 4. He's got you and me, brother, in his hands x3 He's got the whole world in his hands.
- 5. He's got you and me, sister, in his hands x 3 He's got the whole world in his hands.
- 6. He's got everybody here in his hands x 3 He's got the whole world in his hands.

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