



**Parish of St Matthew, Surbiton**  
In the Tolworth Hook & Surbiton Team Ministry  
**17th May 2020**  
**Sixth Sunday of Easter**



**Sadly, St Matthew's Church building is now  
CLOSED for the foreseeable future.  
All services and other activities in the church building  
are currently suspended – but we are still church!**

Alleluia. Christ is risen!  
**He is Risen Indeed. Alleluia!**

**Collect for the Week**

Risen Christ,  
by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples;  
help your church to obey your command  
and draw the nations to the fire of your love,  
to the glory of God the Father.  
Amen

***Give thanks for answered prayer: and please pray for:***

Reverends Helen Hancock, Luke Wickings, David Nyirongo, Carolyn Lucas & their families. THIS Team, Michael Kennett, Miles Stuart-William, Carol Bainbridge, Sally Hall, Prema Tharumanayagam (Noel's mother in Sri Lanka) recovering from a heart attack.  
The family and friends of John Elworthy from St George's who died on 1 May and whose funeral is on 19 May,



**Worship** - we are offering daily worship on our website [www.stmatthewskt6.org](http://www.stmatthewskt6.org) and Facebook page 'St Matthew's Church Surbiton'. There will be a live streamed Service at 10.30 every Sunday followed by a short service of Holy Communion. You will find it on our Facebook page or through the link on the front page of the website.

**Daily Worship Notes** - these are being prepared each week (written by one of THIS Team Clergy) and are being distributed to all those across the Team without a computer, to ensure that we are all part of our worshipping community together. These members are also receiving other material for the week.

**Sermon Series** - In May, our Sunday morning sermon series is 'Prayers that help me'. Two people will each be sharing a treasured prayer and through these we should all learn a little more about the experience and practice of prayer. This week Stuart Bachelor and Jen Houghton will speak about two collects:

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

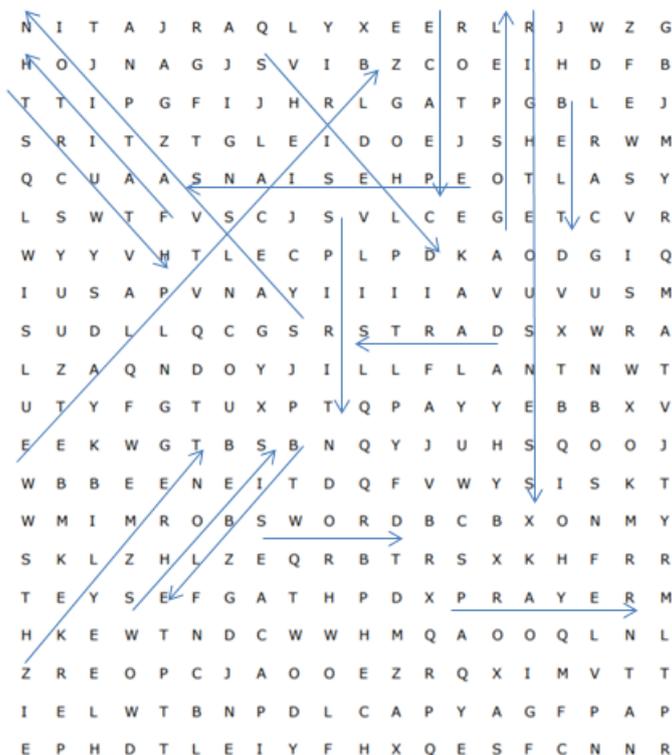
Second Collect at Evening Prayer

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for 17th Sunday after Trinity

**Thy Kingdom Come** - Join the global wave of prayer calling all Christians to pray between Ascension and Pentecost for more people to come to know the love and peace of Jesus Christ. May 21 – 31 2020. We are each encouraged to think of and then pray for 5 people who we would like to see come to Christ. The focus this year is also around 'Prayer and Care' with practical action accompanying prayer for others. Our THiS Team daily worship resources during this time will be based on material provided by TKC. There will be a daily **TKC Zoom prayer meeting** at 7pm from Friday 22 – Saturday 30 May for 20 minutes led across the Team and a **Team Ascension Day Service at 8.15pm** available from the website.

**The armour of God – Word Search – Answers**



*FIND the following words:*

- BELT
- BIBLE
- BREASTPLATE
- DARTS
- EPHESIANS
- FAITH
- GOSPEL
- HELMET
- PEACE
- PRAYER
- RIGHTEOUSNESS
- SALVATION
- SHIELD
- SHOES
- SPIRIT
- SWORD
- TRUTH

**Motto Verse 2020**

***Out of reverence for the Lord, I acted differently.***

***based on Nehemiah 5.15***