

Today's hymns: 555, 490, 369, 386

**Welcome**

A warm welcome to you, whether you are joining us in Bonn (9.30am) or Cologne (11.45am). In church, please note:

- Please wear a surgical mask or an FFP2 / KN95 mask.
- Please disinfect your hands when you come into church.
- Please ensure you are registered when you enter the building.
- Please observe social distancing.
- Please follow the instructions if you would like to receive Holy Communion, in either one kind (bread) or two (bread and wine). The body and blood of Christ may be completely received in one kind only.
- Please place your donation in the collection plate/basket at the back of church, or donate by bank transfer (account details on the front page).

**Evening Prayer and Bible study this week**

*Tuesday 17 May, 7.30pm:* Evening Prayer on Zoom.

*Friday 20 May, 6pm:* Evening Prayer followed by Bible study (6.30pm to 7.30pm) at All Saints, Cologne.

**Dates for your diary**

*Monday 30 May, 7.30pm:* **Annual General Meeting** at All Saints, Cologne. If you are not yet on the Electoral Roll and would like to be, please see Ranti Hendricks in Cologne or Jean Hauptfleisch in Bonn for a form.

*Sunday 5 June, 6pm:* **Choral Evensong with the Bonn English Singers** at All Saints, Cologne.

*Saturday 11 June, 12-4pm:* **Summer Fete** at All Saints, Cologne. If you can help with setting up, donating food to sell, running a stall, and/or clearing away afterwards, please let Carrie Andrews at All Saints know.

*Saturday 13 August, 12-4pm:* **Garden Party** at St. Paulus, Bonn-Beuel.

**Book group**

Would you like to join a new chaplaincy book group that meets monthly or bi-monthly on Zoom? You'll be very welcome! If you are interested or have any questions, Cate Johnson and Carrie Andrews in Cologne are currently gauging interest and are happy to provide further information.

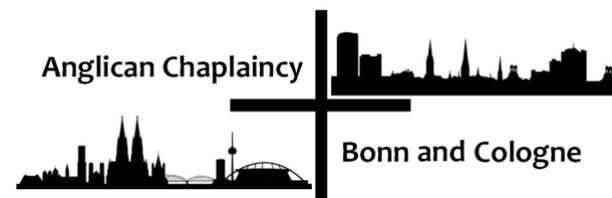
**Are you new to Bonn or Cologne, or to this church? For up to date information, follow us on Facebook/Twitter and visit our website. To be added to the mailing list, let us have your contact details. Any data you give us will be kept securely by the church authorities and in no case given to any third parties.**

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**WELCOME**

*Welcome to Sunday worship, especially if you are joining us for the first time.*

**Sunday 15 May 2022  
Fifth Sunday of Easter**

President and preacher:  
Revd Richard Gardiner

**Collect**

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.**

**First reading – Acts 11.1-18  
Peter's Report to the Church at Jerusalem**

<sup>1</sup>The apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. <sup>2</sup>So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, <sup>3</sup>saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' <sup>4</sup>Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, <sup>5</sup>I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision.

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There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. <sup>6</sup>As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. <sup>7</sup>I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." <sup>8</sup>But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." <sup>9</sup>But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." <sup>10</sup>This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. <sup>11</sup>At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. <sup>12</sup>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. <sup>13</sup>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; <sup>14</sup>he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." <sup>15</sup>And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup>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." <sup>17</sup>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? <sup>18</sup>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.'

### **Psalm 148**

Alleluia! Praise the Lord from the heavens;  
praise him in the heights.

**Praise him, all you his angels;  
praise him, all his host.**

Praise him, sun and moon;  
praise him, all you stars of light.

**Praise him, heaven of heavens,  
and you waters above the heavens.**

Let them praise the name of the Lord,  
for he commanded and they were created.

**He made them fast for ever and ever;  
he gave them a law which shall not pass away.**

Praise the Lord from the earth,  
you sea monsters and all deeps;

**Fire and hail, snow and mist,  
tempestuous wind, fulfilling his word;**

Mountains and all hills,  
fruit trees and all cedars;

**Wild beasts and all cattle,  
creeping things and birds on the wing;**

Kings of the earth and all peoples,  
princes and all rulers of the world;

**Young men and women, old and young together;  
let them praise the name of the Lord.**

For his name only is exalted,  
his splendour above earth and heaven.

**He has raised up the horn of his people  
and praise for all his faithful servants,  
the children of Israel, a people who are near him.  
Alleluia!**

### **Second reading – Revelation 21-1.6 The New Heaven and the New Earth**

<sup>1</sup>I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; <sup>4</sup>he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.' <sup>5</sup>And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' <sup>6</sup>Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.'

### **Gospel reading – John 13.31-35 The New Commandment**

<sup>31</sup>During the supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>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." <sup>34</sup>I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

### **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.**