

**St Martin's Church, North Nibley**

**17th May 2020**

***A service of the Word for the 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter***

Welcome to all. *[Priest]*

**Notices**

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.

O Lord, open our lips and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

***Hymn***

***Collect***

God our redeemer,  
you have delivered us from the power of darkness  
and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:  
grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life,  
so by his continual presence in us he may raise us  
to eternal joy;  
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.

***Bible Reading: Acts Chapter 17 vv 22-31***

***Gospel: St John 14 vv 15-21 David Chalmers***

***Sermon Arch Deacon Hilary***

*[Priest]* Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family  
in heaven and on earth is named.  
We believe in God the Son,  
who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us  
with power from on high.  
We believe in one God;  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
Amen.**

***Hymn***

*[Priest]* Let us join in prayer for forgiveness:

Friend of sinners, you bring hope in our despair.

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Healer of the sick, you give strength in our weakness.

Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Destroyer of evil, you bring life in our dying.

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

*[Priest]* May the God of love and power  
forgive *you* and free *you* from *your* sins,  
heal and strengthen *you* by his Spirit,  
and raise *you* to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen**

***Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving* Jessie Marsh**

***The Lord's Prayer***

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

## ***Hymn***

### ***Our Service draws to a Conclusion***

*[Priest]*

God our Father,  
whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life:  
may we thirst for you,  
the spring of life and source of goodness,  
through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

## ***The Blessing***

The God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight.

And the blessing of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost be with you and those that you love this day and for ever more.