and Flore with Brockhall _ive SERVICES SCHEDULE AND NEWSLETTER **MAY 2025** ove Rector: Revd Stephen P Burrow 07415 691541 Sunday 4 May - Easter 3 - White Holy Communion 10:00am Church Stowe United First Sunday Service 11:00am Flore Church 6:00pm **Evening Prayer** Heyford Church Thursday 8 May – VE Day 80th Anniversary 11:30am Commemorative Service at the War memorial Heyford Flore Church **Commemorative Service** 7:30pm Sunday 11 May - Easter 4 - White 10:00am **Benefice Holy Communion** Church Stowe 10:00am Morning Worship Flore Chapel A Spring Afternoon – All Age Event Heyford Church 3:00pm – 5:00pm Sunday 18 May – Easter 5 - White 10:00am Holy Communion (followed by APCM) Heyford Church Flore Chapel 10:00am United Worship Holy Communion Upper Stowe 6:00pm Sunday 25 May – Easter 6 - White 10:00am Holy Communion (with baptism) Flore Church **Family Service** 10:00am Upper Stowe Morning Worship Flore Chapel 10:00am Café Church 4:00pm

Thursday 29 May - Ascension Day

Holy Communion 10:00am

Midweek Services:

Thursdays

10.00am	Holy Communion	Flore Church
2.30pm - 3.30pm	Church open for private prayer	Flore Church

Fridays

9.00am Morning Prayer via Zoom All Welcome Contact the Rector by email: s p burrow@yahoo.co.uk to get an invitation that will enable you to connect.

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Our Mission Statement



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LETTER FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Friends

After a busy Lent and Holy Week, and with this newsletter going out on Easter Day, here is a poetic reflection on the significance of that first Easter Sunday. It is by Gill Bailey, and is simply entitled, 'Thank You'.

Jesus, you were always special. You turned this world's values upside-down.

Not for you the 'look-after-number-one message' of our age, but 'look after them', you said, and you did. Not for you the 'hold on to what you have' advice we're given, but 'give your all', you said, and you did. Not me first, but you first; 'not my will, but your will', you said. Not for you a gentle, easy birth. Not for you a gentle, easy birth. Not for you a gentle, easy life. Not for you a gentle, easy death. Your life was never easy; your death far from it.

> But through your suffering we are free, free to live and love right here and now, free to live your way, free to give, to share, to count all who inhabit this earth with us as friends and neighbours, Free to be your people, and to remember that they are your people too.

Because of what you have done, one day, round some distant corner, we and all who believe will spend eternity with you.

So thank you, Jesus, thank you for coming to us, thank you for dying for us, thank you for rising and living again. Thank you that in you there is always hope. Thank you, Jesus – just thank you!

From 'Spring' by Ruth Burgess (Wild Goose Publications, Glasgow 2019) (CCLI 551778)

With my thoughts, prayers and blessings this Eastertide,

Rev Stephen (Tel: 07415 691541)

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PRAYING FOR OUR VILLAGES BY STREET

The Streets we shall be praying for during May are Brookside Place, Watery Lane and the playing fields in Heyford, Bricketts Lane and Springfield in Flore, Main Street in Upper Stowe and the Hall apartments in Brockhall.