



Joint Parish Service
St John's, Baildon
Sunday 29th January 2023

Welcome and notices

The Gathering

Hymn

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation, O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation. all ye who hear; now to his temple draw near, joining in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, shieldeth thee gently from harm, or when fainting sustaineth; hath thou not seen how thy heart's wishes have been granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend thee; ponder anew what the Almighty can do, if to the end he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him Let the Amen sound from his people again; gladly fro aye we adore him!

The Greeting

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

All and also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

All Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

All Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

Glory to God, glory to God in the highest

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

The Collect or special prayer for today

The Liturgy of the Word

Reading—I Kings 17:8-16

At the end of the reading the reader will say

For the gift of your holy word.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn

A new commandment I give unto you, that you love one another as I have loved you, that you love one another as I have loved you. By this shall all men know that you are my disciples, if you have love one for another; by this shall all men know that you are my disciples: if you have love one for another.

Gospel Reading

Please remain standing. When the Gospel is announced the reader says:

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John All Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Creed

Let us stand to declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All 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.

Prayers of Intercession

To the words 'God of the unexpected' would you please respond **Reveal yourself to us**

The prayers end with

Merciful Father,

All accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayers of Penitence

Three-in-one God,
We bring you ourselves.
Knowing that our lives and our fears and our desires are an open book before you.
Trusting in your unconditional welcome.

Pause for silent reflection and pryer

All We confess that sometimes

it's not until we get to the end of our own resources, until we let ourselves run empty, that we turn to you.

Where we see only what ourselves and others lack, Surprise us with your generous abundance. Into our emptiness, pour your grace. Fill us to overflowing with intoxicating love.

In your mercy, forgive us...(time of silence)

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Christ is our peace. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation. The old has passed away: behold, everything has become new. The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Hymn (during which a collection is taken for the work of this parish. The contactless giving machine is available at the back of church if you would prefer to donate in this way).

In Christ alone my hope is found, he is my light, my strength, my song; this cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease! My comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe. This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones he came to save: 'till on that cross as Jesus died, the love of God was magnified for every sin on him was laid, here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay, light of the world by darkness slain: then bursting forth in glorious day up from the grave he rose again! And as he stands in victory sin's curse has lost its grip on me, for I am his and he is mine - bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me; from life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.

No power of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from his hand: 'till he returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

Preparation of the Table

The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it. This prayer of preparation of the table is said.

With this bread that we bring

All we shall remember Jesus.

With this wine that we bring

All we shall remember Jesus

Bread for his body, wine for his blood, gifts from God to his table we bring

All we shall remember Jesus.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

The president praises God for his mighty acts and all respond

All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

The president recalls the Last Supper

Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

The prayer continues and leads into the doxology, to which all respond

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

All 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.

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Angus Dei

All Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Giving of Communion

Before the Distribution the president says

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

All Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Priest and people receive communion. Everyone is very welcome to receive bread and wine whether you have been confirmed or not. This part of the service is when we come together as family to receive God's gifts and to remember his love for us. Please come forward at the direction of the churchwardens. At the distribution of the bread and wine these words will be said

The body of Christ keep you in eternal life
The blood of Christ keep you in eternal life
The communicant replies

Amen.

During the communion after the choir anthem please join in with singing

Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes, let me see.

Beauty that made this heart adore you, hope of a life spent with you.

So here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that you're my God And you're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days, oh so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above Humbly you came to the earth you created, all for love's sake became poor.

So here I am to worship,....

And I'll never know how much it cost, to see my sin upon that cross.

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So here I am to worship,....

Prayer after Communion

The Post-Communion Prayer is said

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise,

All that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home.

Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace,

All and opened the gate of glory.

May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others;

All we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,

All so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The children share their work.

The Dismissal

Hymn

The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above; Ancient of everlasting days, and God of love; Jehovah, great I AM! by earth and heaven confest; we bow and bless the sacred name for ever blest.

The goodly land we see, with peace and plenty blest: a land of sacred liberty and endless rest; there milk and honey flow, and oil and wine abound, and trees of life forever grow, with mercy crowned.

There dwells the Lord our God, the Lord our Righteousness, triumphant o'er the world of sin, the Prince of peace: on Sion's sacred height his kingdom he maintains, and glorious with his saints in light for ever reigns.

Before the Saviour's face the ransomed nations bow, o'erwhelmed at his almighty grace for ever new; he shows his prints of love they kindle to a flame, and sound through all the worlds above the slaughtered Lamb. The whole triumphant host give thanks to God on high; 'hail, Father, Son and Holy Ghost,' they ever cry: hail, Abraham's God, and mine, (I join the heavenly lays) all might and majesty are thine, and endless praise.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All in the name of Christ. Amen.

NOTICES

KNEELERS AT ST JOHN'S—There is an opportunity to this morning over refreshments in the Church Hall to have a look at the kneelers we hold at St John's and see if there is one that you would like to take home. These will be available for the next couple of weeks and then the remainder will be donated to another church. If you would like to make a donation, any money given will be used to improve St John's Church historically ie re-gilding the lettering in the porch area.

FAIR TRADE FORTNIGHT: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—There will be a fair trade information stall in the Co-op during FairTrade Fortnight (Feb 27-Mar 12). We need volunteers to help staff the stall for an hour on Friday March 3rd. We would like to have 2 volunteers per hour so you won't be on your own. For more information please speak to Denise Hopker. To volunteer please contact Mike and Elaine deVilliers 01274 582384 or email baildon.fairtrade@yahoo.co.uk

CRAFTS AT ST JAMES'S—Following on from the success of our Christmas craft group at St James's leading up to Christmas, we have decide to continue crafting on a Monday afternoon at the earlier time of 1.15pm. We are learning new crafts through skill sharing, while socialising and having a cuppa. There are still a couple of places available if anyone else would like to join us. Please contact Helen on 07378 745676 or via stjameshub@parishofbaildon.uk for more information.

CRAFT THROUGH WORSHIP will be at St James' Church tonight at 6pm. It's the beginning of 2023 and we are starting a new theme which is exciting! Each month we are going to be looking at a word which ends in'ing'. Our word for January is 'Economising'. Do come along and find out why we have chosen this theme and more about it. If you have not been to Craft through Worship but enjoy crafting or making things and would like to find out more about why we are interested in connecting crafting with our spiritual journey, then do come along. Everyone is welcome.

ADMISSION TO COMMUNION—we will be running this course for children of Year 2 school age and above. It is a very important introduction to the children as to the meaning of communion. If you would like to more about what's involved or to check on dates etc please speak to either Canon Sandra or Alison Boggie (01274 592339)

WEDNESDAY COFFEE - at St James's Church. Do you fancy a chat with friends in a lovely setting? Do join us from 10.00am—12 noon every Wednesday

COLLECTION OF NON FOOD ITEMS—There has been a great response to the "take what you need" box outside St John's. Please continue to put any donations in the box and feel free to take anything for yourself or someone you know in need. All the small donations make a big difference to others. Thank you to all who have given items and best wishes to all who have taken items. We all appreciate that every little helps.

WINTER CHARITIES: SHELTER, CENTREPOINT, CRISIS – These are our charities over the winter. They all focus on working with those who are homeless. Donations towards their work will be split equally among the three charities. For more information visit https://england.shelter.org.uk/, https://entrepoint.org.uk/, https://www.crisis.org.uk/

DONATE by BACS into the parish account using the reference HOMELESS, or text **WINTERCHARITY** to **70085** to donate £10. Texts will cost the donation amount plus one standard network rate message, and you'll be opting into hearing more from us. If you would like to donate but don't wish to hear more from us, please text WINTERCHARITYNOINFO instead.

SHROVE TUESDAY—this year is Tuesday 21st February and we will be holding our Pancake Party at St James's Church at 6pm. Come and join us for some lovely pancakes and toppings, quiz and sharing together as we prepare to begin Lent.

ASH WEDNESDAY—we will marking Ash Wednesday in the parish with a service of Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes at St James's Church at 12 noon and St John's Church at 7.30pm.

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