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Celebrating Ascension Day

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Services next week in the Parish—28th May 2023

10.00am—Holy Communion at St John's

10.30am—Holy Communion at St James's

6.00pm— Craft through Worship

Hymn

**Hail the day that sees him rise, Alleluia,
to his throne above the skies; Alleluia,
Christ, the Lamb for sinners given, Alleluia,
enters now the highest heaven! Alleluia.**

**There for him high triumph waits; Alleluia,
lift your heads, eternal gates! Alleluia.
he hath conquered death and sin; Alleluia,
take the King of glory in. Alleluia.**

**Lo, the heaven its Lord receives, Alleluia,
yet he loves the earth he leaves; Alleluia,
though returning to his throne, Alleluia,
still he calls mankind his own. Alleluia.**

**See, he lifts his hands above; Alleluia,
see, he shews the prints of love; Alleluia,
hark, his gracious lips bestow, Alleluia,
blessings on his church below. Alleluia.**

**Still for us he intercedes, Alleluia,
his prevailing death he pleads; Alleluia,
near himself prepares our place, Alleluia,
he the first fruits of our race. Alleluia.**

**Lord, though parted from our sight, Alleluia,
far above the starry height, Alleluia,
grant our hearts may thither rise, Alleluia,
seeking thee above the skies. Alleluia.**

God has gone up with a shout,
All the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

In the name of the Father, the Son and 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.

Introduction

The Ascension Reading—Acts 1.4-11

At the end of the reading

Alleluia. Christ is risen.
All He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Seeing we have a great high priest who has passed through the heaven,
Jesus the Son of God, let us offer him the praise worthy of his name.

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, 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, glory to God in the highest.

Collect

Hymn

**All heaven declares
the glory of the risen Lord;
who can compare with the beauty of the Lord?
For ever he will be the Lamb upon the throne;
I gladly bow the knee
and worship you alone.**

**I will proclaim
the glory of the risen Lord,
who once was slain
to reconcile man to God.
For ever you will be
the Lamb upon the throne;
I gladly bow the knee
and worship you alone.**

The Gospel

Alleluia, alleluia.

Go and make disciples of all nations, says the Lord.

Remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

All Alleluia.

Here the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end of the Gospel reading

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All Praise to you O Christ.

Sermon

The Creed

Let us 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 ‘Jesus Christ is Lord’ would you please respond ‘**To the glory of God the Father.**’ *And at the end*

Merciful Father,

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

Prayers of Penitence

Christ has gone up on high, leading captivity captive and bringing gifts for all. As we prepare ourselves to meet him here in the courts of heaven let us call to mind our many failures and sins.

Lord Jesus, you suffered a cruel death on the cross for our redemption, yet we have forgotten your pain and stayed in the realm of the evil you defeated.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you were raised from death to bring us new life, yet we have preferred the comfort of the familiar, and the empty promises of a sinful world.

Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you have ascended to your Father and our Father, your God and our God; plead there at the right hand of God for our forgiveness and entry into the fullness of his presence.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

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 children join us from their worship and the notices are given.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Jesus says: ‘Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

If you love me, rejoice because I am going to the Father’ Alleluia.

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you. Alleluia.

All and also with you. Alleluia.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Hymn (*during which the collection will be taken. If you are UK tax payer please consider placing your donation in the gift aid envelopes in the pews and filling out the details, this is a real help to us. There is a contactless giving machine available as you leave Church if you would prefer to give in this way*)

**The head that once was crowned with thorns
is crowned with glory now;
a royal diadem adorns
the mighty Victor's brow.**

**The highest place that heaven affords
is his, is his by right,
the King of kings and Lord of lords,
and heaven's eternal light.**

**The joy of all who dwell above,
the joy of all below,
to whom he manifests his love
and grants his name to know.**

**To them the cross, with all its shame,
with all its grace, is given:
their name, an everlasting name,
their joy, the joy of heaven.**

**They suffer with the Lord below,
they reign with him above,
their profit and their joy to know
the mystery of his love.**

**The cross he bore is life and health,
though shame and death to him:
his people's hope, his people's wealth,
their everlasting theme.**

Preparation of the Table

The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it

Blessed be God, by whose grace creation is renewed, by whose love heaven is opened, by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise.

All Blessed be God for ever.

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

Looking for the coming of his kingdom, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

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

Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All Now we are raised to new life.

We were buried in your tomb.

All Now we share in your resurrection.

Live in us, that we may live in you.

Agnus 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

I heard the voice of a great multitude crying, Alleluia.

The Lord our God has entered into his kingdom.

**All Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.
Alleluia.**

The president and people receive communion. Everyone is very welcome to receive the bread and wine whether you've been baptised or confirmed.

Please come forward at the direction of the Church Wardens.

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.**

After the choir anthem, you are welcome to join in with singing

**My Jesus, my Saviour,
Lord, there is none like you.
All of my days I want to praise
the wonders of your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter,
tower of refuge and strength,
let ev'ry breath, all that I am,
never cease to worship you.**

**Shout to the Lord
all the earth, let us sing
power and majesty,
praise to the King.
Mountains bow down
and the seas will roar
at the sound of your name.
I sing for joy at the work of your hands.
For ever I'll love you,
for ever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise
I have in you.**

Prayer after Communion

The Post-Communion prayer for the day is said

**All We thank you, Lord, that you have fed us in this sacrament,
united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly
banquet prepared for all peoples. Amen.**

The children share their work.

Hymn

**Christ triumphant ever reigning,
Saviour, Master, King!
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,
hear us as we sing:
*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name.***

**Word incarnate, truth revealing,
Son of Man on earth!
power and majesty concealing
by your humble birth:
*Yours the glory and the crown.....***

**Suffering servant, scorned, ill-treated,
victim crucified!
death is through the cross defeated,
sinners justified:
*Yours the glory and the crown.....***

**Priestly king, enthroned for ever
high in heaven above!
sin and death and hell shall never
stifle hymns of love:
*Yours the glory and the crown.....***

**So, our hearts and voices raising
through the ages long,
ceaselessly upon you gazing,
this shall be our song:
*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name!***

The Dismissal

Reading— Acts—1.12,13a,14

Then the disciples returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying. They were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

No response is used and we wait in silence.

Responsory

As we wait in silence,

All make us ready for your coming Spirit.

As we listen to your word,

All make us ready for your coming Spirit.

As we worship you in majesty,

All make us ready for your coming Spirit.

As we long for your refreshing,

All make us ready for your coming Spirit.

As we long for your renewing,

All make us ready for your coming Spirit.

As we long for your equipping,

All make us ready for your coming Spirit.

As we long for your empowering,

All make us ready for your coming Spirit.

Blessing

Waiting expectantly for the promised Holy Spirit,
go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

NOTICES

REFRESHMENTS—Tea/coffee/juice and biscuits will be served in the Hall after this service. Everyone is very welcome to join us.

CONFIRMATION—We will be welcoming Bishop Toby to St John's Church on Sunday 23rd July at 10am for our Confirmation Service. If your child is Year 7 or above and would like to think about being confirmed please see Canon Sandra after this service. Confirmation is not just for young people, if as an adult you would like to know more please speak to Canon Sandra or Rev Ruth after this service.

SOCIAL EVENTS – as a Parish we run several events in the year so that we come together, have fun and raise some much needed funds for the Parish. A small group of people meet to plan these and we could really do with some extra help. So, if you would like to join us – you don't have to leave your home for these meetings, they are always held on zoom – that would be great, or if you have an idea of a event we would love to work with you to bring your vision/ideas to life! If you want to know more please speak to Canon Sandra or Sara Daniel.

ST JAMES' CHURCH TOWER—You may or may not have noticed that work on the lower half of the church tower at St James' has recently been completed. Where before it was painted, now it is tiled. It had become increasingly difficult to find an appropriate durable coating with which to paint the wood protecting it from the elements. We are most grateful to the Yorkshire Historic Churches Trust who awarded us a grant of £1,000 towards the cost of the work. We now have a church tower which looks as if it has always been as it is now!

CHRISTIAN AID—This is our charity for May. Christian Aid exists to create a world where everyone can live a full life, free from poverty. During the year 2021 - 2022 Christian Aid reached 1.4m people with their humanitarian programmes, 257 projects were implemented in 14 countries and £7m was raised by supporters to help with humanitarian emergencies. This year's Christian Aid Week (14 – 20 May), celebrates how their partners in Malawi are helping farmers transform their livelihoods using the humble but mighty pigeon pea: a drought-resistant, soil-revitalising, high-protein, low-cost, delicious crop. To donate by BACS into the parish account use the reference CHRISTIANAID, or text CHRISTIANMAY followed by your donation amount to 70085 to give that amount.

CRAFT THROUGH WORSHIP will be at St James' Church on Sunday 28th May at 6pm. This month we are going to be looking at the word 'Crowning', a word for this month and a moment in history as we recall the coronation of King Charles. 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. Please email Ruth on ruthjeoman@hotmail.com if you would like to know more.

CLEANER REQUIRED—Are you looking for a part-time job with hours to suit you? We have a vacancy for a 3-hour per week cleaner at St James’s Church, Kirklands Lane, Baildon. Hours are flexible around the church’s schedule. Duties are basic cleaning in and around the building, including dusting, mopping, sweeping, vacuuming and keeping restrooms sanitised and restocked. Pay is £10.42 per hour, paid monthly. For more information and an application form, please contact Canon Sandra Benham on 01274 589005 or sandrabenham@btinternet.com

ST HUGH’S COMMUNITY WORKER AND ADMINISTRATOR—Many of you will know that Sarah Baxter fills these two roles in the the Parish and does an amazing job at both. We are blessed to her in these roles but lately quite a number of people have been contacting her out of her working hours which isn’t great. We all need rest so I would ask that you honour her working hours which are:-

Community Worker—Monday 12noon—5.30pm Wednesday—9.00am—5.30pm

Parish Administrator—Tuesday and Thursday—9.00am—5.00pm

Thank you, Canon Sandra

SECRETARY FOR CHURCHES TOGETHER - Churches Together in Baildon meet to plan ways in which the different denominations can work together to support the mission and ministry across this Parish. We really need someone to be our Secretary. This is a small role and involves taking brief notes at the meetings, typing them up and distributing via email to members as well as being the person who receives information for distributing to churches for them to advertise. This is an important role in order that the different churches can work and support each other. If you are able to take this role, or want a further conversation please contact Canon Sandra—01274 589005 or sandrabenham@btinternet.com

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