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Services in the Parish next week—24th September 2023

10.00am—Holy Communion St John's

10.30am—Holy Communion at St James's

6.00pm - Craft through Worship

Hymn

**Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.**

**Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
Here the love of Christ shall end divisions:**

*all are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.*

**Let us build a house where prophets speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.**

**Here the cross shall stand as witness
and as symbol of God's grace,
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus.**

All are welcome, all are welcome,

**Let us build a house where love is found,
in water, wine and wheat.**

**A banquet hall on holy ground,
where peace and justice meet.**

**Here the love of God, through Jesus,
is revealed in time and space,
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us;**

All are welcome, all are welcome,

**Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger bear
the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger**

All are welcome, all are welcome, ...

**Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter.**

All are welcome, all are welcome,

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.

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, 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

Reading—Romans 14:1-12

At end of the reading

For the gift of your holy word

All Thanks be to God

Hymn

**Make me a channel of your peace
Where there is hatred let me bring your love
where there is injury, your pardon Lord
and where there is doubt true faith in you.**

*O Master grant that I may never seek,
so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love with all my soul.*

**Make me a channel of your peace
where there is despair in life let me bring hope
where there is darkness only light
and where there's sadness ever joy.**

O Master grant that I may never seek,...

**Make me a channel of your peace
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned
it is in giving to all men that we receive
and in dying that we are born to eternal life.**

The Gospel

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

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 I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

At the end

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

Prayers of Penitence

What if God paid us back in full for all the wrong we have done?

Pause

O Lord we seek your mercy...
All yet we ourselves look for payback when we are wronged.

**We think it “only fair” and “what is right” when we retaliate
and use harsh words and withdraw from relationship.**

**The forgiveness you offer on our account
is larger than we can comprehend,
still we withhold forgiveness
and carry the grudge over petty items.**

**We are eager to do your judging.
And the worst: we conspire our inner thoughts
to secure your forgiveness
while avoiding honest repentance.**

**Forgive us Lord for the sins we know in our hearts.
Save us Lord from the sins we hide.**

(pause for reflection and self-examination)

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy,
slow to anger and has not dealt with us according to our sins.
Instead, God has chosen the sacrifice of God's own son on our account.
It is because Jesus Christ pays the last full measure
that your sins are forgiven.

This gift of forgiveness makes us able, with the power of Holy Spirit,
to choose to forgive, renew and live again
in right relationship with each other and with our God.
In the name of Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The children are welcomed from their worship and notices are given.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

We are all one in Christ Jesus. We belong to him through faith,
heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.

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 by acknowledging everyone saying 'Peace
be with you'.*

Hymn during which a collection is taken for the work of the Parish

**I cannot tell why he, whom angels worship,
should set his love upon the sons of men,
or why, as Shepherd, he should seek the wanderers,
to bring them back they know not how or when.
But this I know, that he was born of Mary,
when Bethl'em's manger was his only home,
and that he lived at Nazareth and laboured,
and so the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is come.**

**I cannot tell how silently he suffered,
as with his peace he graced this place of tears,
or how his heart upon the cross was broken,
the crown of pain to three and thirty years.
But this I know, he heals the broken-hearted,
and stays our sin, and calms our lurking fear,
and lifts the burden from the heavy laden,
for still the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is here.**

**I cannot tell how he will win the nations,
how he will claim his earthly heritage,
how satisfy the needs and aspirations
of east and west, of sinner and of sage.
But this know, all flesh shall see his glory,
and he shall reap the harvest he has sown,
and some glad day his sun shall shine in splendour
when he the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is known.**

**I cannot tell how all the lands shall worship,
when, at his bidding, every storm is stilled,
or who can say how great the jubilation
when all the hearts of men with love are filled.
But this I know, the skies will thrill with rapture,
and myriad, myriad human voices sing,
and earth to heav'n, and heav'n to earth, will answer:
'at last the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is King!'**

Preparation of the Table

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

Heavenly Father, as we set before you these gifts of bread and wine,
bless also the gift of our hearts and minds as we offer our lives in your
service; for Jesus Christ's sake.

All Amen.

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

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

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.**

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

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.**

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.**

During communion please join in with singing the hymn below

**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 every 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 God of our pilgrimage, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus 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.

Blessing and Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

NOTICES

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

MESSY CHURCH - Today is our Messy Church session. We meet at 4pm as we make our entry for the Scarecrow Festival. All families welcome.

CRAFT THROUGH WORSHIP - will be at St James' Church on Sunday 24th September at 6pm. This month we are going to be thinking about and crafting around the word 'Gathering'. This is something we do often, with people and all sorts of things. God gathered in creation and continues to bring things together purposely and at the right time. 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 ruthjyeoman@hotmail.com if you would like to know more.

SCAM EMAILS - over the past few weeks I have been aware that a number of people connected to church have had their emails hacked. The hackers have sent out emails, claiming to be from that person and with the correct email address, asking for money or vouchers to be sent to them for themselves or a relative. If you receive an email which you weren't expecting please phone the person concerned and ask whether this is right. I have recently one myself and even sent a new email to them and it went straight to the hackers. The only way of checking is to phone. If you don't have the person's number please do contact Rev Ruth or Canon Sandra and we will contact them ourselves. Please be very careful—hackers are very clever!

SCARECROW FESTIVAL - 30th SEPTEMBER - you will know by now that Baildon is once again running a Scarecrow Festival and the St John's is very much a part of it with exhibits both in the Church and the grounds. The Parish stall will also be open for people and we would like to be able to offer refreshments but we need your help in the following ways:-

- we need cakes or scones.
- We need volunteers to cover the 11am - 4pm opening of the Festival, at least two people for every hour.

There are sign up sheets at the back of church this morning in each church, sign up for the times you can offer and also if you able to bring a cake or scones.

We hope that the Festival will be a great success with many people involved and the offer of refreshments shows our hospitality to all come.

HARVEST APPEAL - This year's Harvest Appeal (which will last the whole of October, finishing at the Joint Service on the 29th October) will be for Action Aid, specifically their work in Morocco. ActionAid is an international charity that works with women and girls living in poverty and has been present in Morocco for more than 20 years, working in collaboration with local partner organisations. Their local partner

organisations are working to assess the earthquake's impact and the best way to respond, including conducting a needs assessment in Al Houz region, just south of Marrakech. In the immediate aftermath of this disaster, the priority will be to provide emergency support in the way of shelter, clothing and food to those who have lost their homes and are out on the streets. ActionAid is calling for our support to the affected regions.

There will be an opportunity to give a donation during the Harvest Festival services across the parish—St John's and St Hugh's on 1st October and St James's on the 8th. Details of other ways to donate will be provided next week.

HARVEST BRING AND SHARE AT ST JOHN'S - We are aiming to put on a Bring and Share Lunch after the Harvest Festival at St John's on 1st October, but we obviously need food! There is a list at the back of church for you to sign up indicating the food you will be bringing. If you want to bring something not on the list, great, just add it!

ANDREW CRAWFORD - We have all been shocked and deeply saddened to hear of the death of Andrew Crawford who, before Covid, played the organ regularly at St James's Church as well as across the parish. Since Covid he had enjoyed being one of the organists at Halifax Minister. There is a Memorial Service for Andrew which been arranged for Sunday 8th October at 4pm again at Halifax Minister.

WEDNESDAY COFFEE - Every Wednesday we offer coffee at St James's from 10am to 12 noon. Everyone is welcome.

WEDNESDAY MIDDAY COMMUNION - The next midday communion at St James' will be on Wednesday 4th October.

JULIAN MEETING - There will be no meeting in September. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 18th October 2.00 - 3.45pm at St James' Church. These meetings foster the teaching and practice of contemplative prayer in the Christian tradition. Prayer can be incorporated into our everyday lives and we explore encouraging ways of doing this. Everyone is welcome.

ALTERNATIVE BOOK CLUB - Next meeting will be Tuesday 7 November at 7.30pm in St James' Lounge to look at Chapter 2 of the book 'God isn't finished with you yet' by Catherine Campbell. Everyone is welcome. If you plan to attend for the first time you will need a copy of the book. Do get in touch with Revd Ruth for more information.

Giving to the Parish

You can help to **make a difference** to support the work of our parish. We've made it easier for you to help, you can now donate in more ways to suit you:



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