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Celebrating Ascension Day

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Hymn

**Hail the day 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 and of 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 1:1-11

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.

All Alleluia.

God has highly exalted Jesus Christ.

All Alleluia.

At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow.

All Alleluia.

Let every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

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 ‘Ascended Lord, in your mercy’ would you please respond
‘Hear our prayer’.

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.

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. If you prefer to give via the contactless giving machine, this is available at the back of Church as you leave.*

**New songs of celebration render
to him who has great wonders done.
Love sits enthroned in ageless splendour:
come and adore the mighty One.
He has made known his great salvation
which all his friends with joy confess:
he has revealed to every nation
his everlasting righteousness.**

**Joyfully, heartily resounding,
let every instrument and voice
peal out the praise of grace abounding
calling the whole world to rejoice.
Trumpets and organs, set in motion
such sounds as make the heavens ring;
all things that live in earth and ocean,
make music for your mighty King.**

**Rivers and seas and torrents roaring,
honour the Lord with wild acclaim;
mountains and stones look up adoring,
and find a voice to praise his name.
Righteous, commanding, ever glorious,
praises be his that never cease:
just is our God, whose truth victorious,
establishes the world in peace.**

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 in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

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.**

Communion hymn

**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 - Everyone is welcome to join us for refreshments in the Church Hall after this service.

MESSY CHURCH - Our next Messy Church session is on 19th May at 4pm when we will be thinking about Pentecost. All families are welcome.

WEDNESDAY COFFEE - Everyone is welcome to join us at St James' Church lounge for coffee and a chat from 10am - 12noon every week.

EXPLORE PRAYER CARDS - At the back of St John's Church you will find some Explore Cards. You are very welcome to have a look and take them if you would like one or you know of someone who might find them helpful. They offer some thought-provoking images, simple but profound words to help anyone to express their feelings and needs - and find comfort, strength, and hope. We are very fortunate to be able to offer these free.

BAPTISM VERGERS - Would you be willing to go on a rota to be one of the vergers at our Baptism Services at St John's? It would be great to add a couple more people to the three we already have. The role is not difficult but an important one as you welcome people into Church who, often have no or little Church connection, so you could be the first Christian they meet! The role includes giving out service sheets, showing them where the facilities are, keeping an eye out for children and making sure they have colouring sheets if needed and generally helping the clergy run the service. Normally the services are at 2pm with occasionally another one at 3.15pm. If you want to know more about this role please see Canon Sandra after this service.

CHRISTIAN AID - exists to create a world where everyone can live a full life, free from poverty. With your support, more families can build reliable and diverse incomes that bring them food security, better health, safer homes, increased resilience, and hope. To donate by BACS into the parish account use the reference **C AID**, or text **MAYCHRISTIANAID** followed by your donation amount to **70085** to give that amount. Texts will cost the donation amount plus one standard network rate message. For further information about Christian Aid's work please have a look at their website <https://www.christianaid.org.uk>.

JULIAN MEETING – The next meeting of the Julian Group will be on Wednesday 15th May in the Lounge at St James' Church at 2.00pm. 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.

DEFIBRILLATOR APPEAL - Thanks to amazing support from Baildon Town Council, the PCC, local businesses, church and community members, we're delighted to announce that a public access defibrillator is now sited outside St James Church and ready for use by all in the community 24/7.

WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW?

The AED(Automated External Defibrillator) is registered to the national circuit. This means in the event of suspected cardiac arrest on calling 999, the public are directed to the AED and given the code to access it. It's really easy to use, follow the verbal instructions and watch the screen. It's fully automated, once you've switched on there are no more buttons to press. You cannot do any harm, only improve survival chances. Timely defibrillation increases chances of survival from 2% to 74%! In person training will be coming soon but to increase your confidence visit: revivr.bhf.org.uk. Carolyn Gomersal (Parish Nurse)

CANDLE MAKING WORKSHOP - As part of mental health awareness week, in collaboration with Wicks and Spritz, come along to St James Church to make a candle. You'll take home a beautiful candle in a glass with a seasonal fragrance of your choice. Wednesday 15th May 7.30pm. £12 to include a glass of prosecco or soft drink and nibbles. Book your place with Carolyn by text on 07735297966 or email nurse@parishofbaildon.uk with your name, number of places required and a contact number. Pay on the door, cash only please.

BEING IN THE NOW - Join Claire and Jen from Acacia mindfulness hub and Magnolia holistic therapies and coaching, for an evening of self care and inner harmony during Mental Health awareness week. Monday 13th May at St James Church. Refreshments from 7pm for a 7.30pm start. £10. For more details or to book your place contact Jen on 07570 720099.

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