



**Parish of  
BAILDON**  
St Hugh St John St James

**23rd February 2025**  
Second Sunday before Lent



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### **Services in the Parish - 2nd March 2025**

**8.30am - Holy Communion at St John's (traditional language)**

**9.30am - Service of the Word at St Hugh's**

**10.00am - Family Service at St John's**

### **Hymn**

**God is Love: let heav'n adore him;**

**God is Love: let earth rejoice;**

**let creation sing before him,**

**and exult him with one voice.**

**He who laid the earth's foundations,**

**he who spread the heav'ns above,**

**he who breathes through all creation,**

**he is Love, eternal Love.**

**God is Love: and he enfoldeth**

**all the world in one embrace;**

**with unfailing grasp he holdeth**

**ev'ry child of ev'ry race.**

**And when human hearts are breaking**

**under sorrow's iron rod,**

**then they find the self-same aching**

**deep within the heart of God.**

**God is Love: and though with blindness**

**sin afflicts the human soul,**

**God's eternal loving-kindness**

**guides and heals and makes us whole.**

**Sin and death and hell shall never**

**o'er us final triumph gain;**

**God is Love, so Love for ever**

**o'er the universe must reign.**

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, 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.**

## **The Collect**

**Reading** - Revelation 4

For the gift of your holy word

**All Thanks be to God.**

## Hymn

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;  
holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

**Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert and art and evermore shalt be.**

**Holy, holy, holy! through the darkness hide thee,  
through the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,  
only thou art holy, there is none beside thee  
perfect in power, in love, and purity.**

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
all thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;  
holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

## Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

**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

**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**

To the words 'Lord hear us', please respond with, 'Lord graciously hear us'.

At end of the prayers we say together

Merciful Father,

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

## **Prayers of Penitence**

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this:

'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,

with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.'

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'

There is no other commandment greater than these.

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

**All Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

**All Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

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

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 share a sign of peace with one another.

**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*)

**Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side;  
bear patiently the cross of grief and pain;  
leave to your God to order and provide;  
in every change he faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul: your best, your heavenly friend  
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.**

**Be still, my soul: your God will undertake  
to guide the future as he has the past.  
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake,  
all now mysterious shall be clear at last.  
Be still, my soul: the waves, and winds still know  
his voice, who ruled them while he dwelt below.**

**Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart  
and all is darkened in the vale of tears,  
then you shall better know his love, his heart,  
who comes to soothe your sorrows, calm your fears.  
Be still, my soul: for Jesus can repay  
from his own fullness all he takes away.**

**Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on  
when we shall be for ever with the Lord,  
when disappointment, grief and fear are gone,  
sorrow forgotten, love's pure joy restored.  
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,  
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.**

## **The Preparation of the Table**

As the grain once scattered in the fields, and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside are now reunited on this table in bread and wine, so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together from the corners of the earth into your kingdom.

**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**

This is the table of Christ. It has been made ready for those who love God, and those who want to love more. So come; you who have much faith and you who have little. You who have been to this sacrament often and you who have not been for some time. You who have tried to follow Christ and you who have failed. Come. It is Christ who asks us to meet him here.

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 the communion please join in with singing

**Only by grace can we enter,  
only by grace can we stand;  
not by our human endeavour,  
but by the blood of the Lamb.**

**Into your presence you call us,  
you call us to come.**

**Into your presence you draw us,  
and now by your grace we come,  
now by your grace we come.**

**Lord if you mark our transgressions,  
who could stand?**

**Thanks to your grace we are cleansed  
by the blood of the Lamb.**

## **Prayer after Communion**

*The Post-Communion prayer 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.

### **Hymn**

**Thou, whose almighty Word  
chaos and darkness heard,  
and took their flight;  
hear us, we humbly pray,  
and, where the gospel - day  
sheds not its glorious ray,  
let there be light.**

**Thou, who didst come to bring  
on thy redeeming wing  
healing and sight,  
health to the sick in mind,  
sight to the inly blind,  
O now, to all mankind  
let there be light.**

**Spirit of truth and love,  
life-giving, holy Dove,  
speed forth thy flight;  
move on the water's face,  
bearing the lamp of grace,  
and in earth's darkest place  
let there be light.**

**Holy and blessed Three,  
glorious Trinity,  
Wisdom, Love, Might  
boundless as ocean's tide,  
rolling in fullest pride,  
through the world far and wide,  
let there be light**

### **The Blessing and Dismissal**

Go in the peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All** In the name of Christ. Amen.

## **NOTICES**



**REFRESHMENTS** Everyone is very welcome to share in tea/coffee/juice and biscuits, which will be served in the Hall after this service.

**VALERIE HUDSON** It was with sadness that we learnt recently of the death of Philip and Julie's daughter, Valerie. Her funeral service will be at St James's Church on Monday 24th February at 11am. Everyone is welcome to attend and our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time.

**ASH WEDNESDAY** To mark the beginning of Lent we will be holding two Services in the parish on Ash Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> March. Holy Communion with the Imposition of Ashes will take place at St James's Church at 12 noon and St John's Church at 7.30pm. You are welcome to share in a simple lunch after the Service at St James's.

**PANCAKE PARTY** Everyone loves a party and everyone loves pancakes! We invite you to this all age party at St James's on Shrove Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm. Join us for fresh pancakes with lots of toppings to choose from.

**FREE ADVICE SESSION** Are you claiming all the benefits you are entitled to? Don't know? Then come and find out at a free Community Advice session at the St Hugh's Centre on Friday 28th February from 9.30am to 12 noon. We can do a pension credit check and find out if you are eligible for other benefits such as Carers Allowance or Council Tax support. Meet with organisations who can provide a range of advice including general health, wellbeing and money matters. Free tea, coffee and cake will be available. Talk to Sarah Baxter if you have any questions about the event (07421 328187) or just drop in on the 28th.

**LENT CONVERSATIONS** We are now able to announce that our conversations this year will be using the book entitled 'Meeting Jesus at the Table' by Cynthia M. Campbell and Christine Coy Fohr. The book is priced at £11.99 but if you would like to attend and would find this cost difficult please speak to Rev Ruth or Canon Sandra. We will be meeting on Wednesday afternoons, 12.15 - 2.00pm at St James's Lounge starting on Wednesday 26th February and running until 9th April (excluding Ash Wednesday). The book is themed around Christian hospitality and looks at stories of Jesus sharing food and fellowship with people. We will begin each session on Wednesday afternoon by sharing a simple meal together and it would be good therefore to know approximately numbers of people thinking about attending. There is a sign up sheet at the back of church for you to sign if you are interested in attending. We will also be holding a time on Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm for these conversations, at the Half Way House. If you need transport to this venue please speak to Canon Sandra or Rev Ruth.

**BRADFORD FRIENDSHIP CHOIR** is our charity for this month. This award-winning choir welcomes everyone especially refugees; people seeking sanctuary and their friends. It is a joyful singing sanctuary - a celebration of diversity in a safe space. If you would like to join in a choir rehearsal in Bradford on Tuesday 25 February 5.45pm - 7.15pm have a word with Ruth or Sara Daniel. Donations can be made through the Parish BACS account using BFC in the reference box. Thank you.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** is a women led, global, ecumenical movement promoting informed prayerful living and worship for men, women and young people; helping raise awareness of the lives and concerns of others throughout the world, especially those who write the service. For 2025 the service has been written by women of the Cook Islands 'I made you wonderful'. Our local World Day of Prayer service will be held on Friday 7th March at Baildon Moravian Church at 7pm. Everyone is most welcome.

**ELECTORAL ROLL** As 2025 is a year for the preparation of a completely new Electoral roll. If you wish to be included on the new roll, even though your name is on the existing roll, you must apply to be included – inclusion is not automatic.

Copies of the Electoral Roll Application form, together with consent forms (required to comply with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)) are available in church. If you wish to be included on the new roll, please complete an application form and consent form. Your completed forms should be placed in the sealed box provided in church or returned to Carol Jennings, Electoral Roll Officer, 3 Belmont Rise, Baildon BD17 5AN 01274 590558/ 07751210902 carolajennings0@gmail.com The closing date for receipt of application forms is Wednesday 9th April 2025.

**LENT LUNCHESES** -We will be holding Lent Lunches again this year. The dates are Monday 10th March at the Methodists, Friday 14th March at St Aidan's, Tuesday 18th March, Wednesday 26th March, Thursday 3rd April, further venues to be announced. All starting at 12.30am

**CRAFT THROUGH WORSHIP** - We will be gathering at St James' Church on Sunday 23rd February at 6pm for a time to be together and craft, sharing in conversation on our theme 'Bradford City of Culture 2025'. If you have not been to Craft through Worship but enjoy art or crafting 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.



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