



16th March 2025
Second Sunday of Lent



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Services for next week - 23rd March 2025

10.00am Holy Communion at St John's
10.30am Holy Communion at St James's
6.00pm Craft through Worship at St James's

Hymn

“The kingdom is upon you!”

**The voice of Jesus cries,
fulfilling with its message
the wisdom of the wise;
it lightens with fresh insight
the striving human mind,
creating new dimensions
of purpose for mankind.**

“God's kingdom is upon you!”

**The message sounds today;
it summons every pilgrim
to take the questing way,
with eyes intent on Jesus,
our leader and our friend,
who trod faith's road before us,
and trod it to the end.**

**Stirred by the Spirit's breath,
we glory in its freedom
The kingdom is upon us!
Stirred by the Spirit's breath,
we glory in its freedom
from emptiness and death;
we celebrate its purpose,
its mission, and its goal,
alive with the conviction
that Christ can make us whole!**

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.

The Collect

Reading - 2 Corinthians 4: 5-12

At the end of the reading please respond

For the gift of your holy word
All Thanks be to God.

Hymn

**The Lord is my light, my light and salvation:
in God I trust, in God I trust.**

Gospel Reading

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.
Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.
All Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
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

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

God promises to love us and forgive us, not because we are righteous or law-abiding, but simply because we are. Trusting in God's steadfast love, let us confess our sin together.

All Merciful God, you are always drawing the circle of your love wider, but often we resist. You tell us that all people are your beloved, and we ask, "Why?" "Why them?" "Even them?!" We are quick to judge others rather than being grateful that we, too, are included in the fold. We prioritize the privileged, the powerful and the people who look and act right, but you extend grace first to the sinner, the outcast and the marginalized. Forgive us, O God. Transform us, that we may show mercy as you show mercy. Amen.

Silent prayer for confession

When the woman touched Jesus' cloak, he told her, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." Indeed, we are made well and whole, not because of ourselves, but through the grace of God! Know that your sins have been forgiven.

All In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

The children join us from their worship, notices are given.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to his grace.

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 a collection will be taken for the work of this Parish. At the end of the service the contactless giving machine will be available at the back of church should you prefer to make a donation in this way.*

**By faith, we see the hand of God
in the light of creation's grand design;
in the lives of those who prove his faithfulness,
who walk by faith and not by sight.**

**By faith, our fathers roamed the earth
with the power of his promise in their hearts
of a holy city built by God's own hand –
a place where peace and justice reign.**

*We will stand as children of the promise,
we will fix our eyes on him, our soul's reward.
till the race is finished and the work is done,
we'll walk by faith and not by sight.*

**By faith, the prophets saw a day
when the longed-for Messiah would appear
with the power to break the chains of sin and death,
and rise triumphant from the grave.**

**By faith, the church was called to go
in the power of the Spirit to the lost
to deliver captives and to preach good news,
in every corner of the earth.**

We will stand as children of the promise,

**By faith, this mountain shall be moved
and the power of the gospel shall prevail,
for we know in Christ all things are possible
for all who call upon his name.**

We will stand as children of the promise,

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

Lord Jesus, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to 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.

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**

After the anthem, please join in the with the hymn below:-

There is a hope that burns within my heart,
that gives me strength for every passing day;
a glimpse of glory now revealed in meagre part,
yet drives all doubt away:
I stand in Christ, with sins forgiven;
and Christ in me, the hope of heaven!
My highest calling and my deepest joy,
to make his will my home.

**There is a hope that lifts my weary head,
a consolation strong against despair,
that when the world has plunged me in its deepest pit,
I find the Saviour there!**

**Through present sufferings, future's fear,
he whispers 'courage' in my ear.
For I am safe in everlasting arms,
and they will lead me home.**

**There is a hope that stands the test of time,
that lifts my eyes beyond the beckoning grave,
to see the matchless beauty of a day divine
when I behold his face!
When sufferings cease and sorrows die,
and every longing satisfied.
Then joy unspeakable will flood my soul,
for I am truly home.**

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

**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 Blessing and Dismissal

Go in the peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

NOTICES

REFRESHMENTS There is tea or coffee available in the Hall.

WEDNESDAY COFFEE do join us from 10.00-12noon every Wednesday. Everyone is welcome.

LENT LUNCH AT ST JOHN'S As you will see we will be hosting our Lent Lunch at St John's on Thursday 3rd April. We do need volunteers to help this event so if you are able to make some soup or turn up early to help set out the tables and serve, all help will be much appreciated. There is a sign up sheet at the back of church today.

MESSY CHURCH Our next Messy Church session is this afternoon at 4.00pm in St John's Church Hall. All families welcome.

TRIBUTE NIGHT I'm delighted to say that the last Tribute Night made a fantastic profit of £939.74. This is a amazing result and my thanks go to all who attended and the team from PEG who put it together.

JAR OF GRACE FOR UNICEF Once again this year our Lent appeal is for the work of UNICEF. They say on their website ‘UNICEF works in over 190 countries and territories to save children's lives, to defend their rights, and to help them fulfil their potential, from early childhood through adolescence. And we never give up.’ I am sure, like me, you think this is invaluable work and so we are using their Jar of Grace Appeal to raise funds for their work. Please do take a jam-jar or a label from the back of church (stick the label on a jam jar at home) and, during Lent, every time you have a meal you are invited to say the prayer on the label and make a donation to UNICEF in acknowledgement that we have so much. We will collect these in on Easter Sunday and in April.

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 BOOKLET These are now available at the back of church. They have all the details for events and services during Lent, Holy Week and Easter. Please do take one for yourself and for anyone that would be interested or that you want to invite to these services.

LIVING HOPE One of the Church of England offerings during Lent is called Living Hope. You will find the app and the information you need to get an daily email giving reflection and thought for the day in the Lent Booklet we have produced. If you are not able to access this via the internet we have a limited number of books available.

DAFFODILS At our joint Parish Family Service for Mothering Sunday we want to do something different this year. As well as giving a bunch of daffodils to those present we thought it would be a great idea to go out of the service and give a bunch to anyone we meet around Baildon and to leave them for people to pick up! We will put a label on them telling people where they are from. Obviously this is going to cost us a bit more

than last year so I'm asking if you would consider making a donation so that we can flood Baildon with daffodils! If you are able to please give either via BACS using the reference DAFFS or give cash to Canon Sandra or Rev Ruth.

KITCHEN AND BAR DEEP CLEAN The Bar area and kitchen at St John's needs a really good deep clean. We have marked Saturday 5th April to do this starting at 9.30am. Please come and bring cleaning materials if you are able. More hands make light work!!!

CRAFT THROUGH WORSHIP We will be gathering at St James' Church on Sunday 23rd March at 6pm for a time to be together and craft, sharing in conversation. 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 and receive resources.

JULIAN MEETING The March meeting of the Julian Group will be on Wednesday 19th March 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.

CONFIRMATION Our Confirmation Service this year will be on Sunday 29th June at St John's Church at 10am. This is for anyone, no matter how old, who wants to make this public declaration of faith. This is open to any young people who are Year 6 (and regular church attenders) or above. If you would like to consider this please speak to Canon Sandra or Rev Ruth.

LENT LUNCHESES Please do come and support our Lent Lunch on Tuesday 18th March. The Church School are putting this on with the help of the SOAR Council. It will start at 12.30am at St James's Church.

MOTHERING SUNDAY As this falls this year on a fifth Sunday of the month we will be holding a joint Family Service at St John's starting at 10am. It will be great to come together as a Church family and celebrate our mothers and those who care for us.

CHOCOLATE HAMPER DRAW This year we will be running a Chocolate Hamper Draw. Tickets will be on sale from Sunday 16th March and cost £1 each or £5 for a book from any choir member. As well as chocolate, one of the prizes will be an inflatable chicken costume!

CHOCOLATE DONATIONS We are hoping to sell 200 Chocolate Hamper Draw tickets to raise valuable funds for the parish. Can you help us by donating Easter eggs, boxes of chocolates and chocolate treats? There are collection boxes in each church for your kind donations.

PARISH DAY OUT AT THE AUCKLAND PROJECT

How would you like to join a Parish day out to The Auckland Project, Bishop Auckland, County Durham?

The Auckland Project is a regeneration charity project with a unique collection of fully accessible heritage attractions, galleries, gardens and parkland. The Project offers an ideal blend of art, history and nature centred around the magnificent Auckland Palace which is one of the best preserved Bishop's palaces in Europe. You will discover a remarkable story of faith, art and power from the Prince Bishop's of Durham to Bishop Auckland's surprising connection with the Golden Age of Spanish art.

Our ticket price includes a one-hour guided tour of the palace to include the private apartments, the chapel, the state rooms and the Spanish gallery to view the art collection. Plus unlimited access to the faith museum, the 10 acre gardens and the Auckland tower.

Also on site there are cafes and restaurants for you to enjoy lunch or a coffee and cake and of course the obligatory gift shops! For more information go to: www.aucklandproject.org.

The date of the visit is **Friday 18th July**, leaving Baildon at 0830, returning around 1900. A short comfort and coffee stop will be built into the outward journey and our coach has a toilet onboard.

The cost of the trip is **£44 per person** which includes the coach, the coffee, and the entrance fee. If required we will pick up and drop off at all three churches.

Please let us know by **Sunday 30th March** by emailing Loraine Radcliffe at stjameshub@parishofbaildon.uk. Once we know numbers, we can confirm so long as the trip is viable.

We are really excited to offer this special day out for us all to enjoy! Anthea, Janet, Julie, Loraine and Sarah (Parish Events Group)

Giving to the Parish

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