

17th August 2025 Ninth Sunday after Trinity

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Services in the Parish next week 24th August 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

Hymn

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay; for we can only wonder at every gift you send, at blessings without number and mercies without end: we lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word, we honour and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Saviour, accept the love we bring, that we who know your favour may serve you as our king; and whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill, we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still: to marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways, and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

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 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 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 in the highest.

Collect

Reading Hebrews 11:25 - 12:2 At end of the reading

For the gift of your holy word

All Thanks be to God

Hymn

May the mind of Christ my Saviour live in me from day to day, by his love and power controlling all I do and say.

May the word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour, so that all may see I triumph only through his power.

May the peace of God my Father rule my life in everything, that I may be calm to comfort sick and sorrowing.

May the love of Jesus fill me as the waters fill the sea; him exalting, self abasing – this is victory.

May I run the race before me, strong and brave to face the foe, looking only unto Jesus, as I onward go.

The Gospel

Hear 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.

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 as we walk in faith' would you please respond 'make us worthy of our calling'. At the end

Merciful Father,

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

Prayers of Penitence

Come, Holy Spirit of God,

All and search our hearts with the light of Christ.

All Almighty God, long-suffering and of great goodness: I confess to you, I confess with my whole heart my neglect and forgetfulness of your commandments, my wrong doing, thinking, and speaking; the hurts I have done to others, and the good I have left undone.

O God, forgive me, for I have sinned against you; and raise me to newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Period of silent reflection and prayer

May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Jesus said: 'Love one another. As I have loved you, so you are to love one another.'

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 the collection will be taken. If you are UK tax payer please consider placing your donation in the gift aid envelope 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. There is also a QR code at the back of this sheet).

O, to see the dawn of the darkest day, Christ on the road to Calvary. Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten then nailed to a cross of wood.

> This, the power of the cross, Christ became sin for us. Took the blame, bore the wrath we stand forgiven at the cross.

O, to see the pain written on your face, bearing the awesome weight of sin. Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed crowning your bloodstained brow.

This, the power of the cross,

Now the daylight flees, now the ground beneath quakes as its Maker bows his head. Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life; "Finished!" the vict'ry cry.

This, the power of the cross,

O, to see my name written in the wounds, for through your suff'ring I am free. Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live, won through your selfless love.

This, the power of the cross: Son of God, slain for us. What a love! What a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross.

Preparation of the Table

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

To you we come, Father of lights, with angels and saints, where heaven and earth unite. May Jesus meet us in the breaking of the bread.

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 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. For reason of hygiene the Church of England does not allow intinction (dipping bread into the wine). If you don't feel able to take the wine from the common cup today please just receive the bread, which will be the full presence of Christ for you. 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

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

Post communion 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 Dismissal

Hymn

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided, urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way, sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided: Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us, speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze, teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us: Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.

Lord, for our land in this our generation, spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care: for young and old, for commonwealth and nation, Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.

Lord, for our world when we disown and doubt him, loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain, hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him: Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.

Lord for ourselves; in living power remake usself on the cross and Christ upon the throne, past put behind us, for the future take us: Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

Blessing

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 PICNIC Calling all families! We are meeting today at 12 noon at Roberts Park. Everyone is welcome to join us.

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

HEARTS FOR HARVEST We are looking for people to create hearts out of fabric patterned or plain, filled or flat; knitted or crocheted hearts in any colour. We would like the hearts to be are roughly 3 inches top to bottom and 3 inches across, with a small loop or one can be added in the 'V' part of the heart in order to be able to attach a label or tag to each one. We will begin collecting in the hearts from mid-August to mid-September, in preparation for our Harvest Festival services at the beginning of October. Do pass this information on to anyone who you think might like to get involved. Many thanks Revd Ruth and Alison Boggie.

HEARTS FOR HARVEST from Sunday 24 August until Sunday 21 September we are going to be collecting in hearts that people have been making. There will be a plastic box at each church for the purpose of collecting crafted hearts. We are hoping to collect in excess of 200 hearts which will be blessed at our harvest services across the parish and given away. There is still plenty of time to create hearts and make an impact!

FOOD BANK Thank you to all those who have responded to our appeal for food and cash donations for St Hugh's Food Bank. If you are able to donate: soup, baked beans, UHT milk, tea/coffee, biscuits, cereal, are what we need most. Collection boxes are positioned outside St John's Church, in Baildon Co-op by the self-service tills, outside St James's Church and inside St Hugh's entrance. Thank you!

CONSULTATION ABOUT THE NEW BISHOP OF LEEDS The Diocese has now begun a consultation period as we seek a new Bishop of Leeds. If you would like to have your say you can either do this via the Diocese of Leeds website https://www.leeds.anglican.org or there are some postcards at the back of church which need filling in and then posting to the Diocese. We need to do this as soon as we can so please take a few minutes to either visit the website or on the postcards. It's important that we have our say!

THE NICENE CREED this year is the 1700th anniversary of one of the most enduring statements of Christian faith. The Church of England have produced *We Believe*, 24 daily Bible readings and reflections to help us pray and reflect on the Nicene Creed's timeless truths. It is a beautifully illustrated booklet for those who have been reciting the Creed for many years or who exploring the Christian faith for the first time. I will be purchasing copies for individuals who would like one at £3.99/copy or less depending on how many I buy. If you would like a copy, please get in touch. Thanks, Revd Ruth.

JULIAN MEETING The next meeting will be on Wednesday 20th August 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.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN AUGUST As August as five Sunday as is our usual practice we will worship as a whole Parish on Sunday 31st August at 10.00am at St Hugh's Church, Coach Road.

SCARECROW FESTIVAL On Saturday 27th September, from 11am - 4.00pm, the town will welcome lots of scarecrows made by various groups and individuals in Baildon - last time it was a wonderful event with lots of people enjoying the exhibits. This year, once again, our Messy Church families will have an entry which will be in St John's Church. On the day we will be offering refreshments to all those who come into church. We

have two requests firstly we need volunteers to staff the refreshment stall and we have put a sign up sheet in each church. Please think about whether you can offer, even an hour would be great. Secondly it would be lovely to offer people homemade cakes (shop brought ones are just as welcome!) Please bring to St John's from 9.30 - 10.30am on the Saturday morning. Thanks.

WATER AID Thanks go to Martin and Trish Short for hosting 'Wine into Water'; a most enjoyable and successful fundraising event which generated over £600 for our charity of the month. Let's see if we can build on this sum to raise the total for Water Aid by the end of August. Please make donations through the usual channels. Using the Parish Account as usual please put the reference WaterAid.

GIFT AID FORMS Everyone who currently gives by Standing Order has recently received from our Treasurer, Lynne Johnson, a letter asking them to re-sign their Gift Aid Declaration. This is because the wording for Gift Aid has changed and we need new forms completed. In the letter you will have also received information about the Parish Giving Scheme, asking you to consider changing to this way of giving which frees up a lot of time for Lynne. If you still wish to give via Standing Order we really need your completed and signed forms back as soon as possible. Thanks.



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