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Services in the Parish next Sunday - 7th September

8.30am - Holy Communion (traditional language)

10.00am - Family Worship at St John's

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

Hymn

Here in this place new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away,
see in this space our fears and our dreaming,
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in the lost and forsaken,
gather us in the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young - our lives are a myst'ry,
we are the old - who yearn for your face,
we have been sung throughout all of hst'ry,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in - the rich and the haughty,
gather us in - the proud and the strong;
give us a heart so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water,
here we will take the bread of new birth,
here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,
give us to eat the bread that is you;
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

**Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, light-years away,
but here in this place the new light is shining,
now is the Kingdom, now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever,
gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in - all people s together,
fire of love our flesh ad our bone.**

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.

Collect

Reading Proverbs 25. 6 - 7

At end of the reading

For the gift of your holy word

All Thanks be to God

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 earth far and wide
let there be light.**

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

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.

After a period of silent reflection and stillness.

Come, let us return to the Lord and say:
**All Lord our God, in our sin we have avoided your call.
Our love for you is like a morning cloud,
like the dew that goes away early. Have mercy on us;**

**deliver us from judgement; bind up our wounds and revive us;
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

May almighty God, who sent his Son into the world to save sinners,
bring us his pardon and peace, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Baptism Welcome

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
N and N by one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.

**All We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;
we are children of the same heavenly Father;
we welcome you.**

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.

We may exchange a sign of peace, acknowledging one another.

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

**Love is his word, love is his way,
feasting with all, fasting alone,
living and dying, rising again,
love, only love, is his way.
 *Richer than gold is the love of my Lord:
 better than splendour and wealth.***

**Love is his way, love is his mark,
sharing his last Passover feast,
Christ at the table, host to the twelve,
love, only love, is his mark.
 *Richer than gold***

**Love is his mark, love is his sign,
bread for our strength, wine for our joy,
‘This is my body, this is my blood.’
Love, only love, is his sign.**

Richer than gold

Love is his sign, love is his news,
'Do this,' he said, 'lest you forget
all my deep sorrow, all my dear blood.'
Love, only love, is his news.

Richer than gold

Love is his news, love is his name,
we are his own, chosen and called,
family, brethren, cousins and kin.
Love, only love, is his name.

Richer than gold

Love is his name, love is his law,
hear his command, all who are his,
'Love one another, I have loved you.'
Love, only love, is his law.

Richer than gold

Love is his law, love is his word:
love of the Lord, Father and Word,
love of the Spirit, God ever one,
love, only love, is his word.

Richer than gold

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. For reasons of hygiene the Church of England does not allow intinction (dipping bread into 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 after the choir anthem please join in with singing the hymn below

**I am the bread of life.
You who come to me shall not hunger;
and who believe in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me unless the Father beckons.
*And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up, on the last day.***

**The bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life of the world,
and if you eat of this bread,
you shall live for ever, you shall live for ever.
*And I will raise you up,***

**Unless you eat
of the flesh of the Son of Man,
and drink of his blood, and
drink of his blood, you shall not have life within you.
*And I will raise you up,***

**I am the resurrection,
I am the life. If you believe in me,
even though you die, you shall live for ever.
*And I will raise you up,***

**Yes Lord, I believe that
you are the Christ, the Son of God,
who has come into the world.**

And I will raise you up,

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 Dismissal

Hymn

**Go forth and tell! O Church of God, awake!
God's saving news to all the nations take:
proclaim Christ Jesus, Saviour, Lord and King,
that all the world his glorious praise may sing.**

**Go forth and tell! God's love embraces all,
he will in grace respond to all who call:
how shall they call if they have never heard
the gracious invitation of his word?**

**Go forth and tell! The doors are open wide:
share God's good gifts - let no one be denied;
live out your life as Christ your Lord shall choose,
your ransomed powers for his sole glory use.**

**Go forth and tell! O Church of God arise!
Go in the strength which Christ the Lord supplies;
go till all nations his great name adore
and serve him, Lord and King for evermore.**

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.

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

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!

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.

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.

MIDDAY COMMUNION at St James' Church will be on Wednesday 3rd September. Everyone is welcome.

BRASS BAND CONCERT Join us for an evening of fabulous music performed by the Clifton and Lightcliffe Brass Band in St John's Church on Saturday 13th September. They will be playing the Best of British with a nod to the 'Proms'. Tickets are £10 and available after Sunday Services at each of our churches. Alternatively, buy your tickets from Loraine Radcliffe, tel: 07960 018025 or email: loraine.radcliffe27@gmail.com. There will be a chance to win three hampers in our raffle and refreshments will be available for a donation during the interval. Doors open at 6.45pm and the concert begins at 7.30pm. This event is raising money for Parish funds.

BRASS BAND CONCERT We are holding a hamper raffle on the night with three hampers to be won. Donations suitable for a general hamper and a smaller toiletries and smaller cheese & biscuits hamper would be very much appreciated. Thank you.

THE GREATEST STORY EVER TOLD is a retelling of the gospel by Bear Grylls. He uses Jesus' own words taken directly from the Bible, inviting us into the drama of Jesus' life with gripping storytelling and raw honesty. This book is already becoming a bestseller and is the 'Big Church Read' (BCR) for October. See more about this through the link <https://thebigchurchread.co.uk/the-greatest-story-ever-told/> Our parish ABC book group have decided to read this book beginning late October (date to follow) and you are welcome to join us or to follow the BCR yourself. I am going to be ordering books through the BCR website where I hope to be able to get the books at a discounted price of £9 or £10 a copy. If you would like me to purchase you a copy (however you choose to read it) please let me know by the 21st September. Thanks Revd Ruth

ST HUGH'S SUMMER LUNCHBOX SCHEME The school summer holidays can be a very expensive time for parents. St Hugh's Food Bank provides weekly bags of food to local children, identified by primary schools as needing some extra help. This year we fed 54 children from 23 families for the whole 6 week holiday. This is a mammoth effort, from shopping, packing, distribution, planning, co-ordination and funding. We needed the help of 8 volunteers and 3 workers to run the scheme. Thank you to: Anthea and Michael Petts, Emily Woodhead for shopping, packing and distribution; Madeleine Sheen, Alison Boggie, Heather Hows, Sheila Binns and Leslie Hallas for shopping and dropping tons of bread and cereal off each week; James Farrell for delivering and donating fruit; Shipley Council workers for delivering to the most vulnerable families. What a team! Thank you all, Sarah.

HEARTS & MINDS WORKSHOPS will start weekly from Wednesday 8th October 12.30pm-2.30pm. No need to book, just come along and meet local artist Emma Bairstow, a member of the Bradford City of Culture team, who will be offering seven weeks of **FREE** creative workshops, open to all abilities. Activities include - painting to music, watercolour landscapes, printmaking etc, exploring connections with mind and nature. Sandwich lunch from 12.30pm-1.00pm, workshops from 1.00pm-2.30pm. See poster for more details in churches.

SOCIAL SATURDAYS, starting monthly (the second Saturday in the month) 11th October 10.00am-12 noon. Lets get together to have fun and companionship in the lovely surroundings of St James's Hub. Each month will be a different topic, activity, guest speaker..... anything we want it to be! Of course there will be tea, coffee and cake but most of all there will be smiles! I'll start off the first one with a talk about my (former life) in the Lord Mayor's Office at City Hall, Bradford and the Royal Maundy Money. No need to book, just come along. Loraine.



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