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Services in the Parish next week - 23rd November 2025

10.00am Holy Communion at St John's with baptism of
Karlene Robinson
10.30am Holy Communion at St James's
6.00pm Craft through Worship

Hymn

Judge eternal, throned in splendour,
Lord of lords and King of kings,
with thy living fire of judgement
purge this realm of bitter things;
solace all its wide dominion
with the healing of thy wings.

Still the weary folk are pining
for the hour that brings release,
and the city's crowded clangour
cries aloud for sin to cease;
and the homesteads and the woodlands
plead in silence for their peace.

Crown, O Lord, your own endeavour,
cleave our darkness with thy sword;
cheer the faint and feed the hungry
with the richness of thy word;
cleanse the body of this nation
through the glory of the Lord.

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 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

At end of the reading

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.

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 in your mercy’ would you please respond ‘**hear our prayer**’ *At the end*

Merciful Father,

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

Prayers of Penitence

Seek the Lord while he may be found,

All call upon him while he is near.

Let the wicked abandon their ways
All and the unrighteous their thoughts.

Turn back to the Lord, who will have mercy;
All to our God who will richly pardon.

We keep a time of silence and self-examination

**All Lord God, we have sinned against you;
we have done evil in your sight.
We are sorry and repent.
Have mercy on us according to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us
and restore us to the joy of your salvation,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

All Amen.

May the Father of all mercies cleanse you from your sins,
and restore us in his image
to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
All Amen.

Blessed be the Lord,
All who has heard the voice of our prayer.

Therefore shall our hearts dance for joy
All and in our song will we praise our God.

The notices are given.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

God has made us one in Christ. He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

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*)

**From heaven you came, helpless babe,
entered our world, your glory veiled,
not to be served but to serve,
and give your life that we might live.**

*This is our God, the Servant King;
he calls us now to follow him,
to bring our lives as a daily offering
of worship to the Servant King.*

**There in the garden of tears
my heavy load he chose to bear;
his heart with sorrow was torn,
‘Yet not my will, but yours,’ he said.**

This is our God, the Servant King;

**Come see his hands and his feet,
the scars that speak of sacrifice,
hands that flung stars into space,
to cruel nails surrendered.**

This is our God, the Servant King;

**So let us learn how to serve
and in our lives enthrone him,
each other’s needs to prefer,
for it is Christ we’re serving.**

This is our God, the Servant King;

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, 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, after the anthem please join in with singing

**In the Lord I'll be ever thankful,
in the Lord I will rejoice!
Look to God, do not be afraid;
lift up your voices: the Lord is near,
lift up your voices: the Lord is near.**

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

To God be the glory, great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory! Great things he hath done!*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,!
To every believer the promise of God!
The vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus forgiveness receives.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Great things he hath taught us, great things he has done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer and higher and greater will be
our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

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 Our next Messy Church session is on today at 4pm in St John's Church Hall, all families welcome.

CHRISTMAS MARKET We are hoping to run our Christmas Market this year as usual on Saturday 6th December from 10 - 2pm in St John's Church Hall. **BUT** in order to do this we need a lot of help which if we don't get we may not be able to run it. There is a list at the back of all churches for you to sign up for various times and jobs that we need to cover. These include some one to take on the organising and running of the Tombola stall and some one to take responsibility for organising and help run the cake stall.

There are other jobs including helping on Friday to set up tables etc, help on Saturday from 2 - 4pm setting up the tables for Sunday as well staffing other stalls.

I can not reinforce this enough that if, by the 23rd November we haven't got enough help then we won't be able to run the Christmas Market, so please do sign up for what you can offer.

CHRISTMAS MARKET We hope that we can run the Christmas market **NOW WE NEED DONATIONS!** From Sunday 16th November there will be boxes at the back of each church to receive prizes for the bottle tombola and usual tombola and hamper items for the luxury raffle. We hope you will be able to join us for this annual event.

CHRISTINGLE Our Christingle Service this year is on Sunday 7th December at 4.30pm at St John's Church. During this service everyone is encouraged to make a donation to the work of the Children's Society. The Society have produced some lovely collecting candles, which are available from next Sunday for you to use. In the Parish the Children's Society is our charity for January so please return these at the Christingle Service or during the month of January.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN NOVEMBER On the 30th November our joint parish holy communion service will be at St John's Church at 10.00am.

ADVENT CAROL SERVICE We will holding a Candlelit Advent Carol Service at St John's on Advent Sunday, 30th November, at 6pm. This will be a service of hymns, readings and anthems as we move from darkness to light following the Advent theme. It is a very moving service and I do encourage you to come.

CHARITY OF THE MONTH Our charity of the month for October and early November will be the DEC Middle East Humanitarian Appeal. Conflict in the Middle East has devastated lives. Millions of people in Gaza, Lebanon, the West Bank and Syria urgently need shelter, food and basic supplies. There will be an opportunity to give a donation via BACS using the reference MIDDLE EAST.

HEARTS & MINDS WORKSHOPS we meet on 19th and 26th November at 12.30pm-2.30pm. No need to book, just come along and meet local artist Emma Bairstow, who will be offering 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.

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 the 'Big Church Read' (BCR) for October. You can join it online at anytime now through the link <https://thebigchurchread.co.uk/the-greatest-story-ever-told/> Our parish ABC book group has decided to read this book and our next session looking at Part 2, will be on Tuesday 18 November at 2pm in the Lounge at St James' Church.

ADVENT CONVERSATIONS We will once again be giving the opportunity to take some time aside from the rush of Advent to pause and study. We will be using a York Course written by Bishop Nick entitled 'Who am I'. If you would like a book please contact Rev Ruth as soon as possible, each book costs £5. The dates for the course are Tuesdays 25th November, 2nd, 9th and 16th December from 12 noon to 2pm which will include lunch at St James's Church.

CAROL OF SEVEN HILLS Bishop Toby has been working to put on exciting performances across our Episcopal Area of the **Carol of the Seven Hills**. This is the Episcopal Area contribution to the City of Culture. It is taking place at the venues below with their dates.

Nov 27	Immanuel College, Idle
Nov 28	All Saints, Ilkley
Nov 29	St Andrew's, Keighley
Dec 4	Bradford Forster Academy, Bowling
Dec 5	Buttershaw Business & Enterprise College
Dec 6	Fountains Church, Bradford (our biggest venue)

Tickets are £5 for adults and £2 for under 16s and can be purchased on Eventbrite. I will be sending out a Message from Sandra giving the links for this.

SCHOOL PRAYER MEETING We meet on Tuesday 18th November at 2.40pm. Our Church School is very much a part of Baildon community and so it is important that we gather as Christians to pray for their work. Everyone is welcome to this short meeting, those with or without children at the school.

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

CRAFT THROUGH WORSHIP During November we are thinking about 'Relating to others' as part of our reflections on culture. An email with resources and the craft box outside St James' Church will be available from Sunday 16th November. We will then be gathering at St James' Church on Sunday 23rd November at 6pm for a time to be together and craft, sharing in conversation. Everyone is welcome. Please email Ruth on ruthjyeoman@hotmail.com if you would like to know more and receive resources.

JULIAN MEETING The next meeting will be on Wednesday 19th November in the Lounge at St James' Church at 2.00pm. These meetings explore encouraging ways of incorporating contemplative prayer in daily life. Everyone is welcome.

A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who created hearts for harvest. You donated well over 300 hearts which were given or chosen by people, who received a share in our harvest celebrations.

FATHER CHRISTMAS GROTTO To prepare for the visit of a special person over Christmas we need to prepare his grotto on the stage at St John's. We are planning to do this after the 10am service on Sunday 23rd November. Many hands make light work so if you are able to help us, that would be great.



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