

# An order of service

## for Christian Aid Week

Fridah Moraa with Abiud, Quillan and Eliud  
outside their home in Dagoretti, Nairobi.



Family Service  
for  
Christian Aid

Sunday 3rd May 2026

10.00am

## Welcome and notices

### Hymn

**We are marching in the light of God,  
We are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching in the light of God,  
We are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching, we are marching Oh  
We are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching, we are marching Oh  
We are marching in the light of God.**

**We are living in the love of God...**

**We are moving in the power of God...**

### Call to Worship

Creator of all,  
you are faithful to the world you have made.

**All I will praise you Lord, with all my heart.**

Giver of abundant life, you long for our flourishing.

**All I will praise you Lord, with all my heart.**

Good Shepherd of the sheep, you know us and love us.

**All I will praise you Lord, with all my heart.**

Lord, as we gather in prayer and praise, we ask that you renew our faith, and form us into one body, ready to serve you.

**All Amen.**

### Saying Sorry

We turn to the God who can transform what we offer. Lord God as we hear about our sisters and brothers who do not have every thing that we have and live in very hard conditions, help us to now ask your forgiveness when we have been ungrateful for what we have and not thought of others.

**All We confess now our failure in relationship. We have hidden your justice and equity in our greed and selfishness. We have not loved one another. We have not remained in your love. We all need to change. We ask your forgiveness.**

May our compassionate God, who makes all things new, forgive you and renew you, draw us all close and warm our hearts.

**All Amen.**

**Let's draw a city!**

**Bible Reading Luke 13:18-19**

**Urban farming - cone garden**

**Hymn**

**When I needed a neighbour  
were you there, were you there?**

**When I needed a neighbour  
were you there?**

***And the creed and the colour  
and the name won't matter,  
were you there?***

**In the storm and the earthquake  
are you there, are you there?**

**In the storm and the earthquake  
are you there?**

***All the world is our neighbour  
and our love still matters,  
are you there?***

**When creation is groaning  
are you there, are you there?**

**When creation is groaning  
are you there?**

***All the world is our neighbour  
and our love still matters,  
are you there?***

**When the conflict is raging  
are you there, are you there?**

**When the conflict is raging  
are you there?**

***All the world is our neighbour  
and our love still matters,  
are you there?***

**Where you call out for justice  
we'll be there, we'll be there,  
where you call out for justice  
we'll be there.**

***All the world is our neighbour  
and our love still matters,  
we'll be there.***

## **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.**

## **Prayers**

You are invited to come forward and begin to complete our prayer pillar. In the boxes in front of the pillar there are boxes. Please select whether your prayers are for hopes for the future (both yours and for the world); those suffering poverty and injustice; for a fairer world; that we would put our faith into action in our local community; prayers for climate change/ caring for creation. For each box you are invited to take a piece of wool or ribbon and attach it to our prayer pillar.

As you come to the front you are invited to bring your financial donation to the work of Christian Aid. With your order of service you were given an envelope for your donation. Please complete the information if you are UK tax payer and want Christian Aid to claim the tax from your donation. This gives them an extra £0.25p in every pound you donate.

## **Lord's Prayer**

**All Our Father in heaven, hallowed by 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**

## Hymn

**You shall go out with joy  
and be led forth with peace,  
and the mountains and the hills  
shall break forth before you.  
There'll be shouts of joy  
and the trees of the field  
shall clap, shall clap their hands,  
and the trees of the field  
shall clap their hands,  
and the trees of the field  
shall clap their hands,  
and the trees of the field  
shall clap their hands,  
and you'll go out with joy.**

## Blessing

May Jesus, who is the way, guide you.  
May Jesus, who is the truth, speak through you.  
May Jesus, who is the life, fill you with purpose.  
And may God's blessing go with you today and always.  
And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you, and with those whom you love and pray for, this day and always.

**All Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

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

## NOTICES

**REFRESHMENTS** Please do join us for refreshments after this Service.

**NEXT FAMILY SERVICE** Our next service will be on Sunday 7th June at 10am.

**MESSY CHURCH** Messy Church this month will be on Sunday 17th May at 4pm. Our theme will be Jesus's Ascension and Pentecost and as always we have some wonderful crafts for the children to enjoy.

**CHRISTIAN AID** During May we are going to be thinking and praying about the work of Christian Aid, which will also be our charity for the month. There will be a service in each church in which we will share and celebrate the difference Christian Aid makes around the world; with devotional booklets available to engage further at home. Donations can be made through charity cash envelopes or through the Parish account using the reference CAID.

**PCC APPOINTMENTS** At the Annual Meeting on Monday 20th April, David Farrell and Denise Hopker were elected as Parish Wardens for the Parish of Baildon for the coming year. My thanks go to Denise for all her hard work in the previous year.

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF MAY** There are five Sundays in May so our service on 31st May will be Holy Communion at St Hugh's Church at 10.00am.

**THY KINGDOM COME 2026** We can join a global ecumenical wave of prayer 14<sup>th</sup> May Ascension Day - 24<sup>th</sup> May Pentecost. Christians around the world are invited to pray for more people to come to know Jesus. Every person, household and church is invited to pray in this time that friends, family members and colleagues might come to faith in Jesus Christ. Each of us is encouraged that God's Spirit might work in the lives of 5 people who we will commit to pray for specifically in this time. Please begin to think about who you might pray for. There will be a beautiful prayer booklet you can use on the theme of *God with Us* on the nine days written by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Sarah Mullally, which are available at the back of Church. For more information go to <https://www.thykingdomcome.global/>

**'MEETING GOD IN JOHN'** During Lent we held conversations exploring Part 1 of David Ford's book Meeting God in John. On Wednesday 13th May we are going to be offering the opportunity to explore Part 3 of the book designed to look at during the Easter season. We will be meeting at St James' in the lounge for a simple lunch at 12.30 and then exploring Part 3 (with maybe a nod to the Appendices!) Please would you let Revd Ruth know if you plan to come to the session including lunch.

**FAMILY QUIZ NIGHT** Friday 15th May, 6pm start, ticket price to include supper - £5 adult £3 children. As the evenings are getting lighter

the Parish Events Group are starting our 2026 events with a Family Quiz Night at St John's Church Hall. Please come along to support us, the door and bar will open at 5.30pm, quiz to start at 6pm. There will also be a raffle and picture quiz. Tickets available in our churches from Sunday 26th April or contact Julie Coles, julie56uk@hotmail.co.uk.

**BEAF MEETING** Twice a year Bishop Toby invites the whole Episcopal Area to a meeting and one of these meetings will be held on Saturday 9th May at All Saints, Ilkley. We start at 10am when we look at the encouragements we have seen in our parishes and we will do this as Aire and Worth Deanery. Then we will join all the deaneries together for some worship and an opportunity to share across the Episcopal Area. Everyone is welcome and if you would like a lift please either email or speak to Canon Sandra.

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

**MIDDAY COMMUNION** at St James' Church will be on Wednesday 6th May. Everyone is welcome.

**NURTURE COURSE** - we are going to be running this course for anyone who would like to discover more about their faith. It will be held at St James' Church in the Lounge on Tuesday evenings beginning on 26th May through till 24th June (apart from the 4<sup>th</sup> week which will be on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June. We will gather at 7.00pm for coffee and cake/ dessert and then spending time together talking about God and faith for about 1 hr 15mins. If you would like to come on the course please get in touch with Canon Sandra, Revd Ruth or Carolyn our LLM.

**CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BAILDON** Our Annual Meeting this year is on Tuesday 19th May at 7.45pm at St John's Cranmer Room. This meeting will look back over the year that has been and look to the future. This is very important meeting as it consider whether we are continue with Churches Together. Over the past years numbers on the committee have decreased and so this meeting is your chance to have your say as to whether we continue. Everyone is welcome, please do come and have your say.

