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Services in the Parish next week 20th September

8.30am Holy Communion at St John's (traditional language)

9.30am Holy Communion at St Hugh's

10.00am Holy Communion at St John's

4.00pm Messy Church at St John's

Hymn

**All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing
Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Thou burning sun with golden beam,
thou silver moon with softer gleam,
*O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***

**Thou rushing winds that art so strong,
ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise him, alleluia!**

**Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,
ye lights of evening, find a voice.
*O praise him, O praise him,***

**Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
make music for thy Lord to hear,
Alleluia, alleluia!**

**The flowers and fruits that in thee grow,
let them his glory also show
*O praise him, O praise him,***

**Let all things their creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, alleluia!**

**Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One:
*O praise him, O praise him,***

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 Romans 14:1-12 *At end of the reading*

For the gift of your holy word

All Thanks be to God

Hymn

**God forgave my sin in Jesus' name,
I've been born again in Jesus' name,
and in Jesus' name I come to you
to share his love as he told me to.**

He said:

*'Freely, freely you have received;
freely, freely give;
go in my name and because you believe,
others will know that I live.'*

**All power is given in Jesus' name,
in earth and heaven in Jesus' name,
and in Jesus' name I come to you
to share his power as he told me to.**

He said:

'Freely, freely you have received; ...

The Gospel

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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 of love and mercy’ would you please respond ‘**Hear us as we pray**’. *At the end*

Merciful Father,

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

Prayers of Penitence

Jesus reminds us that we have been forgiven an unpayable debt. Yet, we often hold tightly to the grudges and debts others owe us. Let us now humble ourselves, confessing the limits we place on our mercy, and ask God to transform our hearts with His boundless grace.

Almighty God, you have cancelled our unpayable debt of sin through the sacrifice of you Son. Yet, we confess that we often withhold mercy from those who wrong us.

All Lord, have mercy, and forgive our hard hearts.

We confess that we keep a strict account of the offences of others, forgetting the endless grace you pour out on us every day.

All Lord, have mercy, and teach us to forgive from the heart.

We confess our anger, our lingering bitterness, and the times we have demanded strict justice from our neighbours while pleading for your mercy.

All Lord, have mercy, and deliver us from self-righteousness.

Create in us clean hearts, O God. Break our pride, dissolve our grudges, and help us to forgive others seventy times seven.

All By the power of your Spirit, make us instruments of your peace. Amen.

(pause for silent prayer and reflection)

May the Almighty God, who has cancelled the infinite debt of your sins through the cross of Jesus Christ, have mercy upon you. May he deliver you from all bitterness, grant you the grace to forgive from your heart, and strengthen you to live in perfect peace with your neighbour. By the authority of Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit, you are forgiven, you are set free, and you are made new.

All Amen.

The notices are given.

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 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. There is also a QR code at the back of this sheet).*

**I cannot tell why he, whom angels worship,
should set his love upon the sons of men,
or why, as Shepherd, he should seek the wanderers,
to bring them back, they know not how or when.
But this I know, that he was born of Mary,
when Bethl’hem’s manger was his only home,
and that he lived at Nazareth and laboured,
and so the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is come.**

**I cannot tell how silently he suffered,
as with his peace he graced this place of tears,
or how his heart upon the cross was broken,
the crown of pain to three and thirty years.
But this I know, he heals the broken-hearted,
and stays our sin, and calms our lurking fear,
and lifts the burden from the heavy laden;
for still the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is here.**

I cannot tell how he will win the nations,
how he will claim his earthly heritage,
how satisfy the needs and aspirations
of east and west, of sinner and of sage.
But this I know, all flesh shall see his glory,
and he shall reap the harvest he has sown,
and some glad day his sun shall shine in splendour
when he the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is known.

I cannot tell how all the lands shall worship,
when, at his bidding, every storm is stilled,
or who can say how great the jubilation
when every heart with love and joy are filled.
But this I know, the skies will thrill with rapture,
and myriad myriad human voices sing,
and earth to heav'n, and heav'n to earth, will answer:
'at last the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is 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 encourage 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. 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

Each communicant responds **Amen.**

During communion please join in with singing the hymn below

**Jesus stand among us
at the meeting of our lives;
be our sweet agreement
at the meeting of our eyes.
O Jesus, we love you, so we gather here;
join our hearts in unity and take away our fear.**

**So to you we're gathering
out of each and every land,
Christ the love between us
at the joining of our hands.
O Jesus, we love you, so we gather here,
join our hearts in unity and take away our fear.**

**Jesus, stand among us
at the breaking of the bread;
join us as one body
as we worship you, our Head.
O Jesus, we love you, so we gather here;
join our hearts in unity and take away our fear.**

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

**The God of Abraham praise
who reigns enthroned above;
Ancient of everlasting days,
and God of love:
Jehovah, great I AM
by earth and heaven confest;
we bow and bless the sacred name
for ever blest.**

**Though nature's strength decay,
and earth and hell withstand,
to Canaan's bounds we urge our way
at his command:
the watery deep we pass,
with Jesus in our view;**

**and through the howling wilderness
our way pursue.**

**The goodly land we see,
with peace and plenty blest:
a land of sacred liberty
and endless rest;
there milk and honey flow,
and oil and wine abound,
and trees of life for ever grow,
with mercy crowned.**

**Before the Saviour's face
the ransomed nations bow,
o'erwhelmed at his almighty grace
for ever new;
he shows his prints of love
they kindle to a flame,
and sound through all the worlds above
the slaughtered Lamb.**

**The whole triumphant host
give thanks to God on high;
'hail, Father, Son and Holy Ghost,'
they ever cry;
hail, Abraham's God, and mine,
(I join the heavenly lays)
all might and majesty are thine,
and endless praise.**

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.

MESSY CHURCH Our next session of Messy Church is on Sunday 20th September. There will be crafts, Bible story and a hot meal for the children. All families welcome.

IF MY PEOPLE PRAY We gather weekly at 12 noon in the Cranmer Room for a time for prayer. Everyone is very welcome to join us for about 20 minutes to ask God for a fresh outpouring of his Holy Spirit upon us as we seek to share the good news of God's love with those around us.

We do recognise that sometimes it is possible for people to join together for prayer. In these circumstances we would like to encourage you to join us prayer by stopping to pray every Tuesday around 12 noon. Over the next few weeks we will produce some prayer cards for you to use.

ANGELS ANNOUNCE As we prepare for Christmas we are going to be giving away angels with invitations to join us to share in the good news of Christmas. If you knit or crochet and would be willing to create ornament-size white/cream angels, patterns are available.

HARVEST our next Family Service will be our Harvest Festival in the Parish will be on Sunday 4th October. At St John's we will celebrate this festival with a Family Service at 10am and then afterwards we will share together a Bring and Share Lunch.

HARVEST GIFTS AND MONEY As usual in our Harvest Festival services there will be an opportunity to bring food. This year all of the food will be given to our Food Bank which is currently low in stock as demand is increasing. Below is the list of food which they are short of

- Tinned food - soup, meat, tuna, vegetables, baked beans, fruit and pasta.
- UHT milk
- Tea and coffee
- Biscuits

We will also be collecting gifts of money and we have decided that this year to raise money for the charity Soil Association. They say 'We are the leading food and farming charity. We're on a mission to fix food and farming for all, the nature-friendly way.' They champion Nature and Climate, Food, Farming and Forestry, and Organic Farming. Find out more on their website <https://www.soilassociation.org>.

HARVEST BRING AND SHARE FOOD After our Harvest Festival at St John's there will be a bring and share lunch. It would be great to have an idea of what people are bringing. Either after this service or at coffee we have a sheet for you to add your contribution to the lunch.

BABY AND TODDLER GROUP restarts at St James's Hub on Monday 14th September from 9.00 - 11.00am.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS We are very grateful for the many people across the parish who contribute in so many ways to enable our worship week by week. One of these roles is to help distribute the bread and wine. As we have a number of new people taking this role, we are running a session to meet with everyone from our three churches and chat through what this role entails and refresh our ideas. There will be two sessions on Monday 21st September at 7.30pm and Tuesday 22nd September at 10am. Both of these will be at St John's.

MIDDAY COMMUNION at St James' Church will be on Wednesday 7th October. This month we welcome the Revd Professor Ken Medhurst and the Revd June Medhurst who will share in offering this Communion service as they look to the completion of their formal ordained ministry under licence to the Bishop of Leeds at the end of the year. Everyone is welcome to attend this service. In November there will be a opportunity to come together for a thanksgiving for ministry at St John's Church.

ST HUGH'S SUMMER LUNCHBOX SCHEME St Hugh's Summer Lunchbox Scheme has run again during the school summer holidays, helping local families who face the extra challenge of feeding their children when free school meals are not available. Working with our local primary schools, as well as families who use our food bank, we identified families in Baildon who would benefit from some additional support over the holidays. This year, we were delighted to provide help to 20 families, including 54 children, supplying an amazing 3,240 meals in total. Each family received nutritious lunchbox food, including plenty of fresh fruit as well as snacks, helping to provide children with healthy and varied food throughout the holidays. The scheme cost £1,600, and we are extremely grateful to Baildon Town Council's Skylark Fund, a private donor, and The Butterfield Trust for their generous grants, which made the scheme possible.

A huge thank you goes to Anthea Petts, who worked her socks off to make the scheme happen! She was supported with shopping and packing by her husband, Michael, and granddaughter, Emily Woodhead. We are also very grateful to our team of volunteer shoppers: Alison Boggie, Lesley Hallas, Sheila Binns, Heather Hows and Madeleine Sheen. Thank you all for giving your time and energy so generously. It certainly wasn't anyone's first rodeo - everyone has supported the scheme over the past few years, and their experience and commitment make such

a difference. Most importantly, thank you to everyone who has helped make the Summer Lunchbox Scheme possible.

Together, we have helped make sure that local children have had access to good food throughout the school holidays. Thank you, Sarah.

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT this year runs from 21 September to 4 October, during which there is a display in the window of Baildon Library explaining the benefits of Fairtrade, with the focus on fair pay for farmers and workers. Please consider buying an extra Fairtrade product or two : there are several varieties of tea, coffee and wine, plus sugar, biscuits, chocolate, bananas, tomatoes, flowers and much more on offer in Baildon Co-op. And other supermarkets are selling more and more FT products. Just look out for the Fairtrade logo.



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