

Notices

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please contact the Parish Office on 810616.
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Services this Sunday
10.30am Family Worship
6.30pm Youth Service

Preacher
Elaine Thomas
Ben Mattinson

Cummersdale

10.30am Morning Worship John Libby

Mon 8 10.00am Parent and Toddler Bible Study
2.45pm Women's Fellowship

9/10/11 Homegroups as arranged

Wed 10 10.00am and 1.30pm Toddlers

Thur 11 10.30am Sticky Fingers
7.30pm Music Practice

Fri 12 7.45pm Badminton & Table Tennis

Services Next Sunday
10.30am Holy Communion
6.30pm Evening Worship

Preacher
John Libby
Eddie Scrase-Field

Cummersdale

10.30am Morning Worship Elaine Thomas

Information

The Gap Group (18-30) are meeting tonight at Ana and Michele's home, 51 Nelson Street.

Advance Notice

Wednesday 24 February: Annual Parochial Church Meeting, 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. If you wish to vote, or stand for election at the APCM then you must be on the Electoral Roll and today is your last chance to join prior to this meeting.

Electoral Roll Revision finishes today and the new Roll will be available next week.

Saturday 27 February: WAG's Breakfast, 10.00am in the Parish Centre

**CHAMPION'S
CHALLENGE!**

**Holiday Club
15 - 19 February**

Can You Help: Do you have any National flags/football shirts/big old fashioned headphones for use during the week. (Please mark clearly so we can return to you)

Join us for prayer today at **5.30pm in the Parish Centre**. We would be grateful for your prayer support over the next week as we finalise details for this year's event!

Please Pray For:

Those who are ill or in hospital at this time, especially Fiona Hurley, Peggy Fluck, Glenda Davidson, Nora Klein Maureen Richardson, Peggy Yarker and Joyce Mason.

Flowers on the table today: In memory of the Armstrong and Naylor families.

Please feel free to take this service sheet away with you

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SAINT JAMES CHURCH CARLISLE

**Morning Worship
10.30am, Sunday, 7th February, 2010**



Welcome to our service of morning worship. We continue our new series looking at "unsung heroes" from the Old Testament. This morning we study the widow at Zarephath - her obedience and her response to God's word.

There is a programme in the Parish Centre for children up to the age of 12, and any children visiting us today are invited to join in those activities. The children will go over to the Parish Centre after the first part of this service. There is also a Creche available for parents and babies.

*If you have a mobile telephone,
please ensure that it is turned off. Thank you.*

*If you are new to St. James
please fill in one of the welcome cards on the pews.*

Welcome

Opening Sentence:

I assure you that there were many widows in Israel in Elijah's time, when the sky was shut for three and a half years and there was a severe famine throughout the land. Yet Elijah was not sent to any of them, but to a widow in Zarephath in the region of Sidon.

Luke Chapter 4 verses 25-26

Songs

I will sing the wondrous story

Of the Christ who died for me;
How He left His home in glory
For the cross on Calvary.
I was lost but Jesus found me,
Found the sheep that went astray;
Threw His loving arms around me,
Drew me back into His way.

I was bruised but Jesus healed me,
Faint was I from many a fall;
Sight was gone, and fears possessed me,
But He freed me from them all.
Days of darkness still come o'er me;
Sorrow's paths I often tread,
But the Saviour still is with me,
By His hand I'm safely led.

Continued

He will keep me till the river
Rolls its waters at my feet,
Then He'll bear me safely over,
All my joys in Him complete.
Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story
Of the Christ who died for me;
Sing it with the saints in glory,
Gathered by the crystal sea.

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Open the eyes of my heart, Lord,

Open the eyes of my heart.

I want to see You,

I want to see You.

(Repeat)

*To see You high and lifted up,
Shining in the light of Your glory.
Pour out Your power and love,
As we sing holy, holy, holy.*

High and lifted up...

Holy, holy, holy,
Holy, holy, holy,
Holy, holy, holy,
I want to see You.

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We say sorry to God:

Father God, we want to say sorry for all the times when we have not behaved as you want, and when we have let you down.

Father God, we are sorry for following our own desires and plans instead of yours. For the times when we have deliberately done things which we know you have forbidden, Lord God

We are so sorry. Please forgive us.

For the times when we knew the right thing to do, but decided not to do it, Lord God

We are so sorry. Please forgive us.

For the times when our words and actions have hurt those who love us, Lord God

We are so sorry. Please forgive us.

**By the power of your Spirit, draw us to each other
and make us a close family through your love.**

For we ask in Jesus' name. Amen

Assurance of forgiveness

Listen to God's promise to all who are truly sorry: As high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His love for those who respond to Him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our sins from us.

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze;

And when I think that God His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die—I scarce can take it in.
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin:

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home—what joy shall fill my heart!
Then shall I bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!

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Offertory Prayer

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory,
the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

**All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.**

Closing Prayer and Blessing

**Prayer ministry is available in the
front right pew after the service**

**Please join us for refreshments
in the Parish Centre**

Song

Let everything that,
Everything that,
Everything that has breath
Praise the Lord.
 (Repeat)

Praise You in the morning, praise You in the evening,
 Praise You when I'm young and when I'm old.
 Praise You when I'm laughing,
 Praise You when I'm grieving,
 Praise You every season of the soul.
 If we could see how much You're worth,
 Your power, Your might, Your endless love,
 Then surely we would never cease to praise:

Let everything that...

Praise You in the heavens, joining with the angels,
 Praising You forever and a day.
 Praise You on the earth now,
 Joining with creation,
 Calling all the nations to Your praise.
 If they could see how much You're worth,
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Action Creed

Let us affirm together our common faith in Jesus Christ:
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!
We believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist.
We declare
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!
We believe and trust in Jesus, God's only Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again.
We declare
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!
We believe and trust in the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Jesus known in the world. We declare
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Talk

Trust & Obey

Song

(During the singing of this song young people up to the age of 12 are invited to leave for their own activities in the Parish Centre)

Jesus, be the centre,
 Be my source, be my light, Jesus.
 Jesus, be the Centre,
 Be my hope, be my song, Jesus.

Be the fire in my heart,
Be the wind in these sails;
Be the reason that I live,
Jesus, Jesus.

Jesus, be my vision,
 Be my path, be my guide, Jesus.

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The Lord's Prayer

**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**

Reading

1 Kings Chapter 17 verses 7-24

(Page 408 before the blue tag)

after the reading:

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Song

Draw me closer, precious Saviour,
Nearer to Your holy throne;
Let me know Your cleansing power,
As I wait on You alone.
I am nothing without You, Lord,
I am naked, weak and poor;
But in You I find a fullness,
Nothing else can give me more.

When the waters of destruction
Try to sweep me far away,
Jesus, You are still my anchor;
I need never be afraid.
I will cling to You, my Master,
Holding on with surety.
Pressing onward, looking upward,
Until Jesus, You I see.

Help me listen to Your whisper,
Help me live obediently.
Give me courage in the battles,
Strength to face uncertainty.
Help me never to deny You,
But to cross that finish line.
Moving forward, never backward,
To claim the prize as mine.

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Sermon

The widow at Zarephath : obedience

Song

(During this song the offering will be taken up to the front)

O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed:

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
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