

Notices

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Services this Sunday

10.30am Holy Communion

6.30pm Evening Worship

Cummersdale

10.30am Morning Worship

Preacher

John Libby

Joan Yarker

Wendy Downey

Mon 12 10.00am Parent and Toddler Bible Study

2.45pm Women's Fellowship

Wed 14 10.00am and 1.30 pm Toddlers

7.30pm Prayer and Praise

Thur 15 10.30am Sticky Fingers

7.00pm - 8.30pm Bereavement Support

7.30pm Music Practice

Fri 16 7.45pm Badminton & Table Tennis

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Information

Congratulations to Eddie our Assistant Minister and his wife Hannah on the birth of their second child, Nathan.

Voice of the Martyrs at Carlisle Christian Fellowship
Peter Jardine, the new CEO of Voice of the Martyrs Canada will be making a presentation at CCF about **Orissa India** and the **Sudan** on **Thursday 15th April at 7.30pm**. All welcome.

Carlisle Christian Union 'Praise and Prayer' on **Thursday 22nd April, 7.30pm** at Hebron Evangelical Church. An opportunity to 'meet the CU Mission Team', to learn of their activities and outreach ahead of their Mission Week which begins on 26th April. All welcome.

Election Hustings (Carlisle Constituency), Thursday **29 April 2010 at 7pm** in the Learning Gateway, University of Cumbria, Fusehill St; organised by Churches Together in Carlisle, Carlisle One World Centre and Sustainable Carlisle. Please plan to attend and ask questions about local, national and world issues. For further details including how to submit questions please see the posters in the Welcome Area / Parish Centre.

Please Pray For:

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

SAINT JAMES CHURCH CARLISLE

Holy Communion
10.30am, Sunday 11th April, 2010



Welcome to our service of Holy Communion this morning. We invite all who are baptized and love the Lord to join us at His table. We begin a new teaching series this morning looking at the Book of Haggai – "The Project that God built". How often do we focus on our own self-interest, rather than listening to God and following His plan?

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 are new to St. James' please fill in one of the Welcome Cards on the pews.

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

Welcome and Notices

Opening Sentence:

"Now this is what the Lord Almighty says: "Give careful thought to your ways."

Haggai Chapter 1 verse 5

Hymn

Praise, my soul, the king of heaven;

To His feet thy tribute bring.

Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,

Who like thee His praise should sing?

Praise Him! Praise Him!

Praise Him! Praise Him!

Praise the everlasting King!

Praise Him for His grace and favour

To our fathers in distress;

Praise Him, still the same forever,

Slow to chide, and swift to bless.

Praise Him! Praise Him!

Praise Him! Praise Him!

Glorious in His faithfulness.

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Father-like, He tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame He knows;
In His hands He gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Widely as His mercy flows.

Angels in the height, adore Him;
Ye behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him,
Dwellers all in time and space.
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise with us the God of grace!

Henry Francis Lyte.

We bow our hearts, we lift our hands

we turn our eyes to you again
And we surrender to the truth
that all we need is found in You

*Receive our adoration Jesus lamb of God
Receive our adoration, how wonderful you are*

We choose to leave it all behind
and turn our eyes towards the prize
the upward call of God in Christ
you have our hearts, Lord take our lives

*Receive our adoration Jesus lamb of God
Receive our adoration how wonderful you are*

Every soul you've saved sings out
everything you've made resounds
all creation's standing now
lifting up your name
We're caught up in the angel's song
we're gathered to your ancient throne
children in our Father's arms
shouting out your praise

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Collect for Purity

**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**

We pray for strength to keep Jesus' commandments:

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all
your mind, with all your soul and with all your strength:

Lord, help us to obey.

Love your neighbour as yourself:

Lord, help us to obey.

Love one another as I have loved you:

Lord, help us to obey.

In your mercy strengthen us

and move our hearts to do your will. Amen.

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

Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son:
But purer and higher and greater will be
Our wonder, our worship, when Jesus we see!

Fanny J. Crosby

Closing Prayer and Blessing

**Please join us for Refreshments in the
Parish Centre after the Service**

Songs before the service

We bow our hearts, we lift our hands (page 2)

Blessing and honour, glory and power

Be unto the Ancient of Days;
From every nation, all of creation
Bow before the Ancient of Days.

*Every tongue in heaven and earth
Shall declare Your glory,
Every knee shall bow at Your throne
In worship;
You will be exalted, O God,
And Your kingdom shall not pass away,
O Ancient of Days.*

Your kingdom shall reign over all the earth:
Sing unto the Ancient of Days.
For none shall compare to Your matchless worth:
Sing unto the Ancient of Days.

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When all around is fading (page 4)

Who can know the mind of our Creator? (page 4)

At the end of the supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins; do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of Him;
His blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voices to join the eternal song of heaven, saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Glory be to you, O Lord most high.**

The Administration

These words are said at the administration of the bread:

May the body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your heart by faith with thanksgiving.

These words are said at the administration of the cup:

May the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's blood was shed for you, and be thankful.

**Father of all, we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son, and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Acclamation

**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again**

Hymn

To God be the glory! Great things He hath 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!*

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Confession:

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.

For the wrong things we have done, Father God
Forgive us, for we are sorry

For the wrong things we have said, Father God
Forgive us, for we are sorry

For the wrong things we have thought, Father God
Forgive us, for we are sorry

And for the things we should have done, should have said, and should have thought, but didn't, Father God
**Forgive us, for we are sorry.
We ask in Jesus name. Amen**

Promise 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.

Song

**Our God is a great big God,
Our God is a great big God,
Our God is a great big God
And He holds us in His hands.**

He's higher than a skyscraper
And He's deeper than a submarine.
He's wider than the universe
And beyond my wildest dreams.
And He's known me and He's loved me
Since before the world began.
How wonderful to be a part
Of God's amazing plan!

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Action Creed

**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
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!**

Talk

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)

When all around is fading

And nothing seems to last;
When each day is filled with sorrow,
Still I know with all my heart:

*He's got the whole world in His hands,
He's got the whole world in His hands.
I'll fear no evil, for You are with me,
Strong to deliver, mighty to save.
He's got the whole world in His hands.*

When I walk through fire,
I will not be burned;
When the waves come crashing round me,
Still I know with all my heart:

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Intercessions

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 forever. Amen.**

Reading:

Haggai Chapter 1 verses 1-15

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after the reading:

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

The project that God built: a heap of ruins

Song

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

Who can know the mind of our Creator?

Who can speak of wonders yet unseen?
Who can reach the height of understanding,
To play the notes of wisdom's melody?

Who has weighed the dust of every mountain?
Who has walked the mysteries of the deep?
Who has laid the earth on its foundation
And who conducts the waves upon the sea?

*I stand in awe of You,
I stand in awe of You,
So glorious and true:
I stand in awe,
I stand in awe.*

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You have seen the end from the beginning,
You have been before the world began,
You have reached to me within my darkness,
And in the light of mercy now I see.

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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.**

Holy Communion

Hear the words of comfort our Saviour Christ says to
all who truly turn to him:

Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I
will give you rest. *Matthew Chapter 11 verse 28*

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten
Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but
have eternal life. *John Chapter 3 verse 16*

Hear what Saint Paul says: This saying is true and worthy
of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world
to save sinners. *1 Timothy Chapter 1 verse 15*

Hear what Saint John says: If anyone sins, we have an
advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and
he is the propitiation for our sins. *1 John Chapter 2 verses 1,2*

**Most merciful Lord, your love compels us to come in.
Our hands were unclean, our hearts were unprepared;
we were not fit even to eat the crumbs from under your
table. But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation, and
share your bread with sinners. So cleanse and feed us
with the precious body and blood of your Son, that he
may live in us and we in him; and that we, with the
whole company of Christ, may sit and eat in your
kingdom. Amen.**

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away you did not reject us,
but came to meet us in your Son.

**You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life
that we might live in him and he in us.

**He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his
friends he took bread, and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of Him;
His body is the bread of life.**