

## Notices

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**Services on 'Back to Church' Sunday**      **Preacher**  
**10.30am** Family Worship                      Eddie Scrase-Field  
**6.30pm** Evening Worship                      Paul McVittie

### Cummersdale

**10.30am** Morning Worship                      Harish Patel LCM

**Mon 27**      **10.00am** Parent & Toddler Bible Study  
                 **2.45pm** Women's Fellowship Open Meeting

**28/29/30** Homegroups as arranged

**Wed 29**      **10.00 am and 1.30pm** Toddlers

**Thur 30**      **10.30am** Sticky Fingers  
                 **11.30am** Midweek Service  
                 **12.30am** Leisurely Lunch  
                 **7.30pm** Music Practice

**Fri 1**            **7.00pm** Denton St Prayer meeting  
                 **7.45pm** Badminton & Table Tennis

**Services Next Sunday**                      **Preacher**  
**10.30am** Harvest Sunday                      Wendy Downey  
**6.30pm** Holy Communion                      John Libby

### Cummersdale

**10.30am** Morning Worship                      Peter Bye

## Information

Harish Patel from London City Mission will be joining us after the Evening Service to share something of this work. If you cannot make it tonight then come along to the Women's Fellowship Open meeting tomorrow at 2.45pm where Harish and Roger will be speaking.

**Big Bulb Plant** Saturday 2 October, 10.00am-12.00 noon  
Be part of a World Record breaking attempt and help us to plant 2500 crocus bulbs on the church bank on Norfolk Street. Please bring your own trowel/dibber.

**Harvest:** The Church will be open on Saturday from 10.00-11.30am for anyone who would like to bring harvest gifts. If you could help with the distribution of plants on Monday 4th Oct, please sign up on the sheet at the back of church.

**Congratulations** to Lucy and Jon Fuggle on the safe arrival of Timothy James.

## JUST LOOKING!

Just Looking is just what it says: it's an opportunity to take a closer look at the Christian faith, but with no pressure to do anything more than just look. Please join us for a meal, a talk, a time for discussion, and a chance to make new friends. **Next course starts, Tuesday 12 October 7:30pm in the Parish Centre.**



### Please Pray For:

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

**Flowers on the table:** Mr & Mrs Yarker

# S A I N T J A M E S C H U R C H C A R L I S L E

**Family Worship and Baptism**  
**10.30am, Sunday, 26th September, 2010**



Welcome to our service this morning and a special welcome if you are a visitor. Today we have the baptisms of two of our own children, Benjamin & Nathan, and we welcome all who are here to support their families. The theme for today is "Come and See" as we think about putting our trust in Jesus.

*There is a programme in the Parish Centre for children up to the age of 12, and any children visiting us today are asked 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 during the service. Thank you.*

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

## Welcome

Opening Sentence:

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

*John 14:6*

## Songs

**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 for ever,  
slow to chide, and swift to bless.  
Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Glorious in His faithfulness.

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Please feel free to take this service sheet away with you

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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 help us to 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.

**Come, now is the time to worship,**  
Come, now is the time to give your heart.  
Come, just as you are to worship,  
Come, just as you are before your God.  
Come.

One day every tongue will confess You are God.  
One day every knee will bow.  
Still, the greatest treasure remains for those  
Who gladly choose You now.

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#### **Time of confession:**

Lord Jesus Christ we confess we have failed you as did  
your first disciples.

We ask for your mercy and your help.

Our selfishness betrays you:

Lord, forgive us.

**Christ have mercy**

We fail to share the pain of your suffering:

Lord, forgive us.

**Christ have mercy**

We run away from those who mock you:

Lord, forgive us.

**Christ have mercy**

We are afraid of being known to belong to you:

Lord, forgive us.

**Christ have mercy**

#### **Assurance of forgiveness**

May God, our heavenly Father, who has promised to  
forgive all those who sincerely turn to him: have mercy  
on us. May he deliver us from all our sins, and strengthen  
us for his service, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### **Song**

**How deep the Father's love for us,**

How vast beyond all measure,

That He should give His only Son

To make a wretch His treasure.

How great the pain of searing loss –

The Father turns His face away,

As wounds which mar the Chosen One

Bring many sons to glory.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou my inheritance now and always.  
Thou and Thou only, Thou first in my heart,  
High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, when battle is done  
Grant heaven's joy to me, bright heaven's sun.  
Christ of my own heart, what-ever befall,  
Still be my vision, Thou ruler of all.

*Graham Maule & John L. Bell.*

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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**

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

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**Reading:**

John Chapter 1 verses 35-42

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after the reading:

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.****Song****In Christ alone my hope is found,**

He is my light, my strength, my song;  
 This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,  
 Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
 What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
 When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
 My Comforter, my All in All,  
 Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! - who took on flesh,  
 Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
 This gift of love and righteousness,  
 Scorned by the ones He came to save:  
 Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
 The wrath of God was satisfied –  
 For every sin on Him was laid;  
 Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,  
 Light of the world by darkness slain;  
 Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
 Up from the grave He rose again!  
 And as He stands in victory  
 Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
 For I am His and He is mine –  
 Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
 This is the power of Christ in me;  
 From life's first cry to final breath,  
 Jesus commands my destiny.  
 No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
 Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
 Till He returns or calls me home,  
 Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

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"Come and See"

**Song***(During this song the offering will be taken up to the front)***Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,**

Nought be all else to me save that thou art.  
 Thou my best thought in the day and the night,  
 Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, be Thou my true word.  
 I ever with thee, and Thou with me, Lord;  
 Thou my great Father and I thy true son,  
 Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be Thou my breast-plate, my sword for the fight,  
 Be Thou my armour and be Thou my might.  
 Be my soul's shelter, and Thou my high tower,  
 Raise Thou me heaven-wards, O power of my power.

*Continued...*

Behold the man upon a cross,  
 My sin upon His shoulders;  
 Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice  
 Call out among the scoffers.  
 It was my sin that held Him there  
 Until it was accomplished;  
 His dying breath has brought me life –  
 I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,  
 No gifts, no power, no wisdom;  
 But I will boast in Jesus Christ,  
 His death and resurrection.  
 Why should I gain from His reward?  
 I cannot give an answer;  
 But this I know with all my heart –  
 His wounds have paid my ransom.

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Nathan Scrase-Field  
 Benjamin Webster

We rejoice today with Nathan and Benjamin's families as they thank God for the gift of life and bring them for baptism.

Faith is the gift of God to His people. In baptism the Lord is adding to our number those whom He is calling. People of God, will you welcome Nathan and Benjamin and uphold them in their new life in Christ?

**All: With the help of God, we will.**

Parents and godparents, the Church receives Nathan and Benjamin with joy. Today we are trusting God for their growth in faith. Will you pray for them, draw them by your example into the community of faith, and walk with them in the way of Christ?

**Parents and godparents: With the help of God, we will.**

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light. To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him. Therefore I ask:

Do you reject the devil and all rebellion against God?

**Answer: I reject them**

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?

**Answer: I renounce them**

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?

**Answer: I repent of them**

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

**Answer: I turn to Christ**

Do you submit to Christ as Lord?

**Answer: I submit to Christ**

Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the life?

**Answer: I come to Christ**

### 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!

Almighty God, whose son Jesus Christ was baptised in the River Jordan: we thank you for the gift of water to cleanse us and revive us.

Bless your servants who are washed in this water, that they may be cleansed and delivered from all sin.

As they grow up may they always know and embrace all that is theirs in Christ and raise them with Christ to full and eternal life; for all might, majesty, authority and power are yours, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The parties move to the font*

Nathan/Benjamin, for you Jesus Christ came into the world: for you he lived and showed God's love; for you he suffered the darkness of Calvary and cried at the last, 'It is accomplished'; for you he triumphed over death and rose in newness of life; for you he ascended to reign at God's right hand. All this he did for you, Nathan/Benjamin though you do not know it yet. And so the word of Scripture is fulfilled: 'We love because God loved us first.'

Nathan James Lewis Scrase-Field  
Benjamin Thomas Webster

I baptise you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Christ claims you for His own. Receive the sign of His cross. Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

**All: Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ against sin, the world and the devil, and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness, restore in you the image of His glory, and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ. **Amen.**

As Nathan and Benjamin grow up they will need the help and encouragement of the Christian community. As part of the Church of Christ, we all have a duty to support them by prayer, example and teaching. As parents and godparents, you have the prime responsibility for guiding and helping them in their early years. This is a demanding task for which you will need the help and grace of God. Therefore let us now pray for grace in guiding these two children in the way of faith.

Faithful and loving God, bless those who care for Nathan and Benjamin and grant them your gifts of love, wisdom and faith. Pour upon them your healing and reconciling love, and protect their home from all evil. Fill them with the light of your presence and establish them in the joy of your kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism: Nathan and Benjamin 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.**

**'Follow, follow'**

### 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)

**Lord, I come to You,**  
Let my heart be changed, renewed,  
Flowing from the grace  
That I found in You.  
And Lord, I've come to know  
The weaknesses I see in me  
Will be stripped away  
By the power of Your love.

*Hold me close,  
Let Your love surround me.  
Bring me near, draw me to Your side.  
And as I wait  
I'll rise up like the eagle,  
And I will soar with You,  
Your Spirit leads me on  
In the power of Your love.*

Lord, unveil my eyes,  
Let me see You face to face,  
The knowledge of Your love  
As You live in me.  
Lord, renew my mind  
As Your will unfolds in my life,  
In living every day  
By the power of Your love.

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### Notices

#### 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 for ever. Amen**