

Notices

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please contact the Parish Office on 810616.
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Services on Sunday

10.30am Holy Communion

6.30pm Evening Worship

Preacher

Eddie Scrase-Field

Peter Bye

Cummersdale

10.30am Morning Worship

Frank Tebbutt

Mon 13 10.00am Parent & Toddler Bible Study

14/15 6.00pm Carol singing around the Parish

Wed 15 10.00am Toddlers Service and Party

Thur 16 10.30am Sticky Fingers

11.30am Midweek Service

12.30pm Leisurely Lunch

7.30pm Music Practice

Fri 17 7.45pm Badminton & Table Tennis

Services Next Sunday

10.30am All Age Nativity

6.30pm Carols by Candlelight

Preacher

John Libby

Eddie Scrase-Field

Cummersdale

3.00pm Carols by Candlelight

Eddie Scrase-Field

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

CUMMERSDALE

Morning Worship

10.30am, Sunday 12th December, 2010



Welcome to our service this morning. We continue our teaching series looking at Jesus birth as we prepare for Christmas. This morning we ask the question - why must Jesus come again?

Welcome and Notices

Opening Sentence:

"Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

Acts 1:11

Songs

At the name of Jesus

Every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess Him
King of glory now;
'Tis the Father's pleasure
We should call Him Lord,
Who from the beginning
Was the mighty Word.

Humbled for a season,
To receive a name
From the lips of sinners
Unto whom He came;
Faithfully He bore it
Spotless to the last,
Brought it back victorious,
When from death He passed.

Bore it up triumphant
With its human light,
Through all ranks of creatures
To the central height,
To the throne of Godhead,
To the Father's breast,
Filled it with the glory
Of that perfect rest.

Continued...

Don't forget the **Carol Singing** around the parish on 14th and 15th December. Meet at the Parish Centre at 6.00pm and warm up afterwards with a hot drink and mince pie.



In January we will be welcoming two new interns from Brazil to work with us for a year. If anyone has any spare bedding or towels that they could donate, please speak to Mary. We would also like to provide a welcome pack of essential household necessities (washing powder, cleaning products etc).

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.

Please feel free to take this service sheet away with you

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In your hearts enthrone Him;
There let Him subdue
All that is not holy,
All that is not true;
Crown Him as your Captain
In temptation's hour,
Let His will enfold you
In its light and power.

Brothers, this Lord Jesus
Shall return again,
With His Father's glory,
With His angel-train;
For all wreaths of empire
Meet upon His brow,
And our hearts confess Him
King of glory now.

We have come together in the name of Christ to offer our praise and thanksgiving, to hear and receive God's holy word, to pray for the needs of the world, and to seek the forgiveness of our sins, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may give ourselves to the service of God.

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

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.

The Apostles' Creed

**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.**

Collect for third Sunday in Advent

O Lord Jesus Christ,
who at your first coming sent your messenger to
prepare your way before you:
grant that the ministers and stewards of your
mysteries
may likewise so prepare and make ready your way
by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom
of the just,
that at your second coming to judge the world we may
be found an acceptable people in your sight;
for you are alive and reign with the Father
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

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.**

Followed by:

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all evermore. Amen.**

Hymn

**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.**

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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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Reading:

Acts Chapter 1 verses 6-11

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after the reading:

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Why must Jesus come again?

Hymn

(During the singing of this song there will be a collection to support Christian mission and ministry through St. James. If you are a guest or visitor please feel free to pass the plate along)

Great is the darkness that covers the earth,

Oppression, injustice and pain.
Nations are slipping in hopeless despair,
Though many have come in Your name.
Watching while sanity dies,
Touched by the madness and lies.

*Come, Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus,
Pour out Your Spirit we pray.
Come, Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus,
Pour out Your Spirit on us today.*

May now Your church rise with power and love,
This glorious gospel proclaim.
In every nation salvation will come
To those who believe in Your name.
Help us bring light to this world
That we might speed Your return.

Great celebrations on that final day
When out of the heavens You come.
Darkness will vanish, all sorrow will end,
And rulers will bow at Your throne.
Our great commission complete,
Then face to face we shall meet.

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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.**

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