

Notices

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Services this Sunday

		Preacher
10.30am	Family Worship	Joan Yarker
6.30pm	Evening Worship	Adam Beattie

Cummersdale

10.30am	Morning Worship	Peter Bye
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Mon 28 10.00am Parent and Toddler Bible Study

2.45pm Women's Fellowship

Wed 30 10.00am and 1.30 pm Toddlers

7.30pm Cornerstone Prayer Meeting at
Parish Centre

Thur 31 10.30 am Sticky Fingers

11.30pm Midweek Service

12.30pm Leisurely Lunch

Services Next Sunday

		Preacher
10.30am	All Age Service	John Libby
6.30pm	Evening Worship	Wendy Downey

Cummersdale

10.30am	Morning Worship	Eddie Scrase-Field
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Information

'The Gap' (20s-30s) will be meeting in the Barn after the evening service. Speak to Helen or Adrian Hamilton for details.

Easter Home Communions are taking place on the 6th, 7th and 8th April. Please pray for those involved at this special time of year.

If you haven't got a **Cornerstone booklet**, please pick one up from the back of Church. Envelopes need to be returned by next Sunday.

Free on Wednesdays?

We need help at Toddlers!

We are looking for someone to help set up and make coffees 9.30-11.45am and also someone to make coffee and tidy up 1.15-3.30pm.

If you can help, please see Kate.



We need minibus drivers!

If you want to be part of this team, helping to get people to and from Church on a Sunday, please have a word with Mary in the Parish Office.



Please Pray For:

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

Flowers on the table today: In loving memory of a dear wife Mary Walker

Please feel free to take this service sheet away with you

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SAINT JAMES CHURCH CARLISLE

Family Worship and Thanksgiving 10.30am, Sunday, 27th March 2011



Welcome to our service of morning worship, and a special welcome to Lola and Gracie and their families as they come to say thank you to God for the gift of these children. We continue our teaching series as we explore and reflect on the psalms Jesus himself used in the week before Easter.

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 and please refrain from flash photography 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:

But this is to fulfill what is written in their Law: 'They hated me without reason.'

John Chapter 15 verse 25

Song

O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise,
My great Redeemer's praise!
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace!

Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life, and health, and peace.

See all your sins on Jesus laid;
The Lamb of God was slain,
The Lamb of God was slain;
His soul was once an offering made
For every soul of man.

Continued....

He breaks the power of cancelled sin,
He sets the prisoner free,
He sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean,
His blood availed for me.

He speaks and, listening to His voice,
New life the dead receive,
New life the dead receive;
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice,
The humble poor believe.

Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb,
Your loosened tongues employ,
Your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Saviour come;
And leap, ye lame, for joy!

My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad
The honours of Thy name.

Charles Wesley

We say sorry to God:

For times when we have chosen not to follow you,
Lord God, we are so sorry

For times when we have deliberately done things which
we know you have forbidden
Lord God, we are so sorry.

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

For times when our words and actions have hurt those
who love us,
Lord God, we are so sorry.
Please forgive us, for we ask in Jesus' name. Amen

Assurance of forgiveness

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a
kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive us our sins,
open our eyes to God's truth, strengthen us to do God's
will and give us the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus
Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving for the birth of a child

Gracie Louise Gannon
Lola May McGinley

We are here today to give thanks for Gracie and Lola
with their family and friends, and to support their parents
in their responsibilities with prayer and love. God became
one of us in Jesus, and understands all that surrounds
the arrival and upbringing of children. It is God's
purpose that children should know love within the
stability of their home, grow in faith, and come at last to
the eternal city where his love reigns supreme.

Loving God, you hold all things in life and call us into
your kingdom of peace; help us to walk the path of your
truth and fill our lives with gratitude and faith, through
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

God our Creator, we thank you for the wonder of new
life and for the mystery of human love. We thank you for
all whose support and skill surround and sustain the

When I was lost, You came and rescued me;
Reached down into the pit and lifted me.
O Lord, such love,
I was as far from You as I could be.
You know all the things I've ever done,
But Jesus' blood has cancelled every one.
O Lord, such grace
To qualify me as Your own.

*There is a new song in my mouth,
There is a deep cry in my heart,
A hymn of praise to Almighty God - hallelujah!
And now I stand firm on this Rock,
My life is hidden now with Christ in God.
The old has gone and the new has come - hallelujah!
Your love has lifted me.*

Now I have come into Your family,
For the Son of God has died for me.
O Lord, such peace,
I am as loved by You as I could be.
In the full assurance of Your love,
Now with every confidence we come.
O Lord, such joy
To know that You delight in us.

Many are the wonders You have done,
And many are the things that You have planned.
How beautiful the grace that gives to us
All that we don't deserve,
All that we cannot earn,
But is a gift of love.

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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**

Reading

Psalm Chapter 35 verses 19-28

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after the reading:

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Song

All I once held dear, built my life upon,
All this world reveres, and wars to own,
All I once thought gain I have counted loss;
Spent and worthless now, compared to this.

*Knowing You, Jesus,
Knowing You, there is no greater thing.
You're my all, You're the best,
You're my joy, my righteousness,
And I love You, Lord.*

Now my heart's desire is to know You more,
To be found in You and known as Yours.
To possess by faith what I could not earn,
All-surpassing gift of righteousness.

Oh, to know the power of Your risen life,
And to know You in Your sufferings.
To become like You in Your death, my Lord,
So with You to live and never die.

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Sermon

Those who hate without reason

Songs

(During these songs the offering will be taken up to the front)

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul,
In You I trust, O my God.
Do not let me be put to shame,
Nor let my enemies triumph over me.

*No one whose hope is in You
Will ever be put to shame;
That's why my eyes are on You, O Lord.
Surround me, defend me,
O, how I need You.
To You I lift up my soul,
To You I lift up my soul.*

Show me Your ways and teach me Your paths,
Guide me in truth, lead me on;
For You're my God, You are my Saviour,
My hope is in You each moment of the day.

Remember, Lord, Your mercy and love
That ever flow from of old.
Remember not the sins of my youth
Or my rebellious ways.
According to Your love, remember me,
According to Your love,
For You are good, O Lord.

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beginning of life. We thank you that we are known to you by name and loved by you from all eternity. We thank you for Jesus Christ, who has opened to us the way of love. We praise you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God for ever.

The Gannon family comes forward.

What name have you given this child?

A parent replies:

Her name is Gracie Louise Gannon

Do you receive Gracie as a gift from God?

Parents and supporting friends: We do.

Do you wish to give thanks to God and seek His blessing?

Parents and supporting friends: We do

The minister takes the child.

As Jesus took children in his arms and blessed them, so now we ask God's blessing on Gracie.
Heavenly Father, we praise you for her birth; surround her with your blessing that she may know your love, be protected from evil, and know your goodness all her days. **Amen.**

May Gracie learn to love all that is true, grow in wisdom and strength, and in due time, come through faith and baptism to the fullness of your grace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The minister prays for the parents

May God the Father of all bless David and Helen, and give them grace to love and care for Gracie. May God give them wisdom, patience and faith, help them to provide for Gracie's needs and, by their example, reveal the love and truth that are in Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Giving of the Gospel

A copy of a Gospel is presented, with these words

Receive this book.

It is the good news of God's love. Take it as your guide.

The minister addresses the supporting friends

Will you do all that you can to help and support David and Helen in the bringing up of Gracie?

With the help of God, we will.

The minister addresses the wider family and friends

Will you do all that you can to help and support this family?

With the help of God, we will.

The parents and supporting friends say:

God our Creator, we thank you for the gift of Gracie entrusted to our care. May we be patient and understanding, ready to guide and to forgive, so that through our love she may come to know your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The McGinley family come forward.

What name have you given this child?

A parent replies:

Her name is Lola May McGinley

Do you receive Lola as a gift from God?

Parents and supporting friends: We do.

Do you wish to give thanks to God and seek His blessing?

Parents and supporting friends: We do

The minister takes the child.

As Jesus took children in his arms and blessed them, so now we ask God's blessing on Lola.

Heavenly Father, we praise you for her birth; surround her with your blessing that she may know your love, be protected from evil, and know your goodness all her days. **Amen.**

May Lola learn to love all that is true, grow in wisdom and strength, and in due time, come through faith and baptism to the fullness of your grace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The minister prays for the parents

May God the Father of all bless Adam and Joanne, and give them grace to love and care for Lola. May God give them wisdom, patience and faith, help them to provide for Lola's needs and, by their example, reveal the love and truth that are in Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

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It is the good news of God's love. Take it as your guide.

The minister addresses the supporting friends

Will you do all that you can to help and support Adam and Joanne in the bringing up of Lola?

With the help of God, we will.

The minister addresses the wider family and friends

Will you do all that you can to help and support this family?

With the help of God, we will.

The parents and supporting friends say:

God our Creator, we thank you for the gift of Lola entrusted to our care. May we be patient and understanding, ready to guide and to forgive, so that through our love she may come to know your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Song

Father God, I wonder how I managed to exist,

Without the knowledge of Your parenthood
and Your loving care.

But now I am Your child,
I am adopted in Your family,
And I can never be alone,
'Cause Father God,
You're there beside me.

I will sing Your praises,
I will sing Your praises,
I will sing Your praises,
Forever more.

I will sing Your praises,
I will sing Your praises,
I will sing Your praises,
Forever more.

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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

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)

He is exalted,

The King is exalted on high,

I will praise Him.

He is exalted,

Forever exalted

And I will praise His name!

He is the Lord,

Forever His truth shall reign.

Heaven and earth

Rejoice in His holy name.

He is exalted,

The King is exalted on high!

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Notices

Intercessions

To: Lord in your mercy

Please Respond: **Hear our Prayer**

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