

Notices

For further details on any of these events or activities,
please contact the Parish Office on 810616.
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Services on Sunday

10.30am Family Worship
6.30pm Evening Worship

Preacher

Eddie Scrase-Field
Paul McVittie

Cummersdale

10.30am Holy Communion

John Libby

Services Next Sunday

10.30am All Age Service
6.30pm Holy Communion

Preacher

Wendy Downey
Nick Warner

Cummersdale

10.30am Morning Worship

Paul McVittie

Mon 6 10.00am Parent and Toddler Bible Study
7/8/9 Homegroups as arranged
Wed 8 10.00 am and 1.30pm Toddlers
Thur 9 10.30am Sticky Fingers
7.30pm Music Group Meeting (All welcome)

Notices

Carlisle Diocese Healing Ministry. Tuesday **7th June**. Holy Trinity, Wigton Road. **6-7pm** Training for those involved in Prayer Ministry teams, **7pm** Refreshments, **7.30-9pm** Healing Service. All welcome. For more info contact Rev Julia Powley 522938. No need to book, just turn up!

WAGs Social, Adrianos Italian - **Wednesday 15th June**, 7:30pm. Last chance to sign up on the sheet at the back or in the office or let Gemma know on 07835 234 570. Final numbers by next Sunday please!

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 refreshments, a talk, a time for discussion, and a chance to make new friends. **Tuesday 7th June 7:30pm in the Parish Centre.**



Great North Run 18th Sept 2011

Are you up to training for this half marathon? A few places available for anyone willing and able to run in support of one of our mission partners, Kepplewray. Email john.libby@btinternet.com for details. "the best day out"... "everyone should do it at least once"...

Please Pray For:

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

Flowers: In memory of Tom Chapman

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, 5th June, 2011



Welcome to our service this morning and a special welcome to Poppy and April and their families as they come to join our Christian family through baptism. We continue our series looking at 1 Chronicles and consider God's promise to David and David's prayer.

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:

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.

John chapter 1 verses 1-3

Song

You're the word of God the Father,

From before the world began;
Every star and every planet
Has been fashioned by Your hand.
All creation holds together
By the power of Your voice:
Let the skies declare Your glory,
Let the land and seas rejoice!

*You're the Author of creation,
You're the Lord of every man;
And Your cry of love rings out
Across the lands.*

Continued....

Please feel free to take this service sheet away with you

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Yet You left the gaze of angels,
Came to seek and save the lost,
And exchanged the joy of heaven
For the anguish of a cross.
With a prayer You fed the hungry,
With a word You stilled the sea;
Yet how silently You suffered
That the guilty may go free.

With a shout You rose victorious,
Wresting victory from the grave,
And ascended into heaven
Leading captives in Your wake.
Now You stand before the Father
Interceding for Your own.
From each tribe and tongue and nation
You are leading sinners home.

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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

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.

Baptism of a Child

Poppy Louise Donaldson

April Freya Campbell

We rejoice today with Poppy and April'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 Poppy and April and
uphold them in their new life in Christ?

All: With the help of God, we will.

Parents and godparents, the Church receives Poppy and
April 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:

Song

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

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound

That saved a wretch like me;
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear,
The hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come;
'Tis grace that brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

When we've been there a thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun.

John Newton.

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**

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

Let us affirm together with parents and godparents our common faith in Jesus 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!

Praise God who made heaven and earth.

All: Who keeps his promise for ever.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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.

In your time Lord, send your Holy Spirit upon them, bring them to new birth in the household of faith, 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 party moves to the font

Poppy Louise Donaldson

April Freya Campbell

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 Poppy and April 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 parent and godparents, you have the prime responsibility for guiding and helping her in her 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 them in the way of faith.

Faithful and loving God, bless those who care for Poppy and April 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:
Poppy and April 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.**

Song

God's love is the best love
That the world has ever, ever known;
God's love is the best love
That the world has ever, ever known.
Higher than the rockets up in space,
Wider than the total human race;
God's love is the best love that the world has ever ever,
Has ever ever, has ever ever known.

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)

My Jesus, my Saviour,
Lord, there is none like You.
All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter,
Tower of refuge and strength,
Let every breath, all that I am,
Never cease to worship You.

*Shout to the Lord all the earth, let us sing
Power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down
And the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name.
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands.
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the
Promise I have in You.*

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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 for ever. Amen**

Reading:

1 Chronicles Chapter 17 verses 1-15
(page 479 before the blue tag)

after the reading:

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Song

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfil in us
All Your purposes, for Your glory.
Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail;
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.
Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built
As the earth is filled with Your glory.

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Sermon

Promise and Prayer