

Notices

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Services this Sunday

10.30am Family Worship
6.30pm Holy Communion

Preacher

Peter Bye
John Libby

Cummersdale

10.30am Morning Worship

John Libby

Services Next Sunday

10.30am Family Worship
6.30pm Evening Worship

Preacher

Wendy Downey
Kim Hoelterhoff

Cummersdale

10.30am Morning Worship

Kate Davidson

Wed 27 10.30 am Toddlers Drop in Coffee & Play
12.00 noon Cornerstone Prayer Meeting
Thur 28 11.30am Midweek Service
12noon Sticky Fingers Picnic Lunch
12.30pm Leisurely Lunch

Notices

Christian Institute Meeting Tuesday 26 July 1.30-2.30pm.
Lake Road Chapel, Keswick. See flyers at the back of
church for more information.



We need you!

We're looking for people to join the
Intercessors or Readers team. If you are
interested in this, please contact 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, Ann Bailey,
Maureen Richardson, Joyce Mason and Rita Norman.

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SAINT JAMES CHURCH CARLISLE

Family Worship and Thanksgiving
10.30am, Sunday, 24th July 2011



Welcome to our service of morning worship, and a special
welcome to Ruby, Jasmine and Imogen and their families
as they come to say thank you to God for the gift of their
children. We begin a new series looking at some of Jesus'
teaching in Matthew's gospel. The Kingdom of heaven
is like.....

*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:

Jesus told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven
is like a man who sowed good seed in his field.

Matthew Chapter 13 verse 24

Song

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.

Continued....

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.

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.

Caroline Maria Noel

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

Ruby Lola Gardner
Jasmine Coady
Imogen Coady

We are here today to give thanks for Ruby, Jasmine and
Imogen 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 heaven.

Even so, Lord, quickly come,
Bring Thy final harvest home;
Gather Thou Thy people in,
Free from sorrow, free from sin;
There, forever purified,
In Thy garner to abide:
Come, with all Thine angels, come,
Raise the glorious harvest-home.

Henry Alford.

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**

Song

Blessèd be Your Name

In the land that is plentiful,
Where Your streams of abundance flow,
Blessèd be Your name.

And blessèd be Your name
When I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness,
Blessèd be Your name.

Every blessing You pour out I'll
Turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord,
Still I will say:

*Blessèd be the name of the Lord,
Blessèd be Your name.
Blessèd be the name of the Lord,
Blessèd be Your glorious name.*

Blessèd be Your name
When the sun's shining down on me,
When the world's 'all as it should be',
Blessèd be Your name.
And blessèd be Your name
On the road marked with suffering,
Though there's pain in the offering,
Blessèd be Your name.

You give and take away,
You give and take away.
My heart will choose to say:
Lord, blessèd be Your name.

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Sermon

A man who sowed good seed

Song

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

Come, Ye thankful people, come,
Raise the song of harvest home!
All is safely gathered in
Ere the winter storms begin;
God, our Maker, doth provide
For our needs to be supplied;
Come to God's own temple, come,
Raise the song of harvest-home.

All the world is God's own field,
Fruit unto His praise to yield;
Wheat and tares together sown,
Unto joy or sorrow grown;
First the blade, and then the ear,
Then the full corn shall appear:
Lord of harvest, grant that we
Wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord our God shall come
And shall take His harvest home,
From His field shall in that day
All offences purge away,
Give His angels charge at last
In the fire the tares to cast,
But the fruitful ears to store
In His garner evermore.

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 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.

The minister addresses the wider family and friends
Will you do all that you can to help and support these families?

With the help of God, we will.

The parents and supporting friends say:
God our Creator, we thank you for the gift of these children entrusted to our care. May we be patient and understanding, ready to guide and to forgive; for we ask in Jesus' name, Amen.

Ruby's family come forward.

What name have you given this child?

A parent replies:

Her name is Ruby Lola Gardner

Do you receive Ruby 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 addresses the supporting friends

Will you do all that you can to help and support Kate and Barry in the bringing up of Ruby?

With the help of God, we will.

The minister takes the child.

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

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 Ruby 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 Kate and Barry, and give them grace to love and care for Ruby. May God give them wisdom, patience and faith, help them to provide for Ruby's needs and, by their example, reveal the love and truth that are in Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

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 Coady family come forward.

What name have you given these children?

A parent replies:

Their names are Jasmine Coady and Imogen Coady

Do you receive Jasmine and Imogen 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 addresses the supporting friends

Will you do all that you can to help and support Louise and Craig in the bringing up of Jasmine and Imogen?

With the help of God, we will.

The minister takes the child.

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

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

May Jasmine and Imogen 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 Louise and Craig, and give them grace to love and care for Jasmine and Imogen. May God give them wisdom, patience and faith, help them to provide for Jasmine and Imogen's needs and, by their example, reveal the love and truth that are in Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

A copy of a Gospel is presented, with these words

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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

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)

Say the word, I will be healed;

You are the great Physician,

You meet every need.

Say the word, I will be free;

Where chains have held me captive,

Come sing Your songs to me,

Say the word.

Say the word, I will be filled;

My hands reach out to heaven,

Where striving is stilled.

Say the word, I will be changed;

Where I am dry and thirsty,

Send cool, refreshing rain,

Say the word.

His tears have fallen like rain on my life;

Each drop a fresh revelation.

I will return to the place of the cross,

Where grace and mercy

Pour from heaven's throne.

Say the word, I will be poor,

That I might know the riches

That You have in store.

Say the word, I will be weak;

Your strength will be the power

That satisfies the meek.

Say the word.

The Lord will see the travail of His soul,

And He and I will be satisfied.

Complete the work You have started in me:

O, come Lord Jesus, shake my life again.

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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

Reading

Matthew Chapter 13 verses 24-30

(Page 20 after the blue tag)

after the reading:

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**