

Notices

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Services this Sunday

10.30am Holy Communion
6.30pm Evening Worship

Preacher

John Libby
Wendy Downey

Cummersdale

10.30am Morning Worship

Frank Tebbutt

Services Next Sunday

10.30am Family Worship
6.30pm Holy Communion

Preacher

Paul McVittie
John Libby

Cummersdale

10.30am Morning Worship

John Libby

Thurs 25 11.30am Midweek Service
12.30pm Leisurely Lunch

Notices

You are invited to come and have a taste of Europe with **YWAM** Carlisle on the **23rd August at 7.30pm**. Taking place in the walled garden of the Old Vicarage (next to the Tithe Barn) you're invited to enjoy delicious desserts, beautiful live harp music, a fun night with excellent company. Let's talk about how we can join together to see Carlisle, England and Europe transformed by the love of God! See Emma Wagner for more details.

On **Sunday 4th September at 4.30pm** in the Sports Hall there will be an **Afternoon Tea** with an opportunity to catch up with Lucy Goldie. Please sign up at the back of church if you would like to attend and if you can help making cakes or savouries.

Please Pray For:

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

SAINT JAMES CHURCH CARLISLE

Holy Communion
10.30am, Sunday 21st August, 2011



Welcome to our service of Holy Communion this morning. We invite all who are baptised and love the Lord to join us at His table. We continue our 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 invited 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 are new to St. James' please fill in one of the Welcome Cards on the pews.

If you have a mobile telephone, please ensure that it is turned off. Thank you.

Welcome

Opening Sentence:

"Once again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was let down into the lake and caught all kinds of fish."
Matthew Chapter 13 verse 47

Song

**All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with mirth, His praise forthtell,
Come ye before Him and rejoice.**

Know that the Lord is God indeed,
Without our aid He did us make:
We are His flock, He doth us feed,
And for His sheep He doth us take.

O enter then His gates with praise,
Approach with joy His courts unto:
Praise, laud, and bless His name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

For why, the Lord our God is good;
His mercy is forever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.

William Kethe

Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen

We pray for strength to keep Jesus' commandments:

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your mind, with all your soul and with all your strength:

Lord, help us to obey.

Love your neighbour as yourself:

Lord, help us to obey.

Love one another as I have loved you:

Lord, help us to obey.

In your mercy strengthen us

and move our hearts to do your will. Amen.

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

Promise 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.

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.

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!

Closing Prayer and Blessing

Please join us for Refreshments in the Parish Centre after the Service

Songs Before the Service

All heaven declares

The glory of the risen Lord.

Who can compare

With the beauty of the Lord?

Forever He will be

The Lamb upon the throne.

I gladly bow the knee

And worship Him alone.

I will proclaim

The glory of the risen Lord,

Who once was slain

To reconcile man to God.

Forever You will be

The Lamb upon the throne.

I gladly bow the knee

And worship You alone.

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Jesus Christ, I think upon Your sacrifice,

You became nothing, poured out to death.

Many times I've wondered at Your gift of life,

And I'm in that place once again.

And I'm in that place once again.

And once again I look upon

The cross where You died,

I'm humbled by Your mercy

And I'm broken inside.

Once again I thank You,

Once again I pour out my life.

Now You are exalted to the highest place,

King of the heavens, where one day I'll bow.

But for now, I marvel at this saving grace,

And I'm full of praise once again.

I'm full of praise once again.

Thank You for the cross,

Thank You for the cross,

Thank You for the cross, my Friend.

(Repeat)

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Father of all, we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son, and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Acclamation

Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again

Song

From heaven you came,
Helpless babe,
Entered our world,
Your glory veiled;
Not to be served
But to serve,
And give Your life
That we might live.

*This is our God,
The Servant King,
He calls us now
To follow Him,
To bring our lives
As a daily offering
Of worship to
The Servant King.*

There in the garden
Of tears,
My heavy load
He chose to bear;
His heart with sorrow
Was torn,
'Yet not My will
But Yours,' He said.

Come see His hands
And His feet,
The scars that speak
Of sacrifice;
Hands that flung stars
Into space
To cruel nails
Surrendered.

So let us learn
How to serve,
And in our lives
Enthroned Him;
Each other's needs
To prefer,
For it is Christ
We're serving.

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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

In or out?

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)*

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.

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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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 forever. Amen.**

Reading:

Matthew Chapter 13 verses 47 - 52

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after the reading:

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The kingdom of heaven is like
a net let down into the lake

Song

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

King of Kings, majesty,

God of heaven living in me.

Gentle Saviour, closest Friend,

Strong Deliverer, Beginning and End:

All within me falls at Your throne.

*Your majesty, I can but bow;
I lay my all before You now.
In royal robes I don't deserve,
I live to serve Your majesty.*

Earth and heaven worship You,

Love eternal, faithful and true,

Who bought the nations, ransomed souls,

Brought this sinner near to Your throne:

All within me cries out in praise.

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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.**

Holy Communion

Hear the words of comfort our Saviour Christ says to
all who truly turn to him:

Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I
will give you rest. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten
Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but
have eternal life. *John 3:16*

Hear what Saint Paul says: This saying is true and worthy
of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world
to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

Hear what Saint John says: If anyone sins, we have an
advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and
he is the propitiation for our sins. *1 John 2:1,2*

**Most merciful Lord, your love compels us to come in.
Our hands were unclean, our hearts were unprepared;
we were not fit even to eat the crumbs from under your
table. But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation, and
share your bread with sinners. So cleanse and feed us
with the precious body and blood of your Son, that he
may live in us and we in him; and that we, with the
whole company of Christ, may sit and eat in your
kingdom. Amen.**

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away you did not reject us,
but came to meet us in your Son.

**You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life

that we might live in him and he in us.

**He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his
friends he took bread, and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of Him;
His body is the bread of life.**

At the end of the supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:

Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new
covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of
sins; do this in remembrance of me.

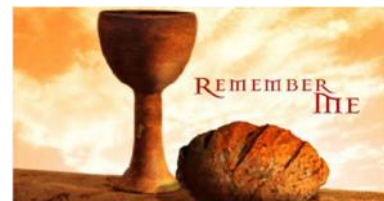
**Father, we do this in remembrance of Him;
His blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

**With your whole church throughout the world we offer
you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voices to join the
eternal song of heaven, saying:**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory
Glory be to you, O Lord most high.**



The Administration

These words are said at the administration of the bread:

May the body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given
for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life.
Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for
you, and feed on him in your heart by faith with
thanksgiving.

These words are said at the administration of the cup:

May the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed
for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life.
Drink this in remembrance that Christ's blood was shed
for you, and be thankful.