

Notices

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please contact the Parish Office on 810616.
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Services this Sunday - Pledge Day **Preacher**
10.30am Family Worship Paul McVittie
6.30pm Evening Worship Keith Mallon

Cummersdale
10.30am Morning Worship Wendy Downey
5.15pm **Holiday Club** Prayer Meeting in the Parish Centre

Services Next Sunday **Preacher**
10.30am Holy Communion Frank Tebbutt
6.30pm Evening Worship John Libby

Cummersdale
10.30am Morning Worship Paul McVittie

Mon 23 10.00am Parent & Toddler Bible Study
Women's Fellowship Lunch

Wed 25 10.00 am and 1.15pm Toddlers

Thur 26 10.30am Sticky Fingers
11.30am Midweek Service
12.30pm Leisurely Lunch
7.30pm Music Group Meeting

Sat 28 9.30pm Daddy and Me

Information

Music Group Meeting on 26th January at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre "1: Why is worship central?" - all welcome.

Revision of Electoral Roll - If you wish to vote or stand for office at the APCM then you need to be on the electoral roll so please get your forms in this week. A copy of the roll is at the back of church if you wish to check your details.

We currently have a gap in the volunteer office team so if you could help out on a Wednesday morning then please speak to Mary.

GAP (20s-30s) Trip - PHATFISH (and Lou Fellingham) 'Higher' Live Tour at St Andrews Church, Leyland. Tickets £10. **Saturday 11th February** (leaving Carlisle 4.30pm). If you would like to come to the concert, please let Helen or Adrian Hamilton know by Sunday 22nd January. You can email (helen.birchall@yahoo.co.uk), facebook or text on 07919505369. Please let us know as soon as possible to avoid disappointment!

ON YOUR MARKS...

Holiday Club
13th - 17th February

Once again our Holiday Club will be running this February half-term. There are loads of jobs to be done either working with children or behind the scenes. Please sign the sheet at the back of Church if you can help.

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, Sam Harris, Barbara Thomson, Caroline Browne, Olive Sanderson and Malcolm Hannah.

Also remember those recently bereaved and in particular Simon and Sarah Lee (nee Henwood).

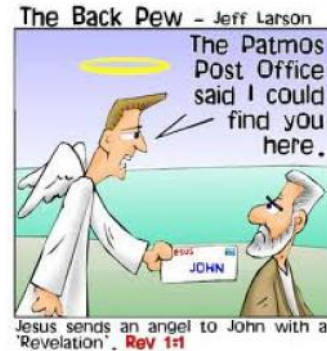
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SAINT JAMES CHURCH

CUMMERSDALE

Morning Worship
10.30am, Sunday 22nd January, 2012
PLEDGE DAY



Welcome to our service of morning worship.

*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 switched off. Thank you.*

Welcome and Notices

Opening Sentence:

God blesses the one who reads the words of this prophecy to the church, and he blesses all who listen to its message and obey what it says, for the time is near.

Revelation Chapter 1 verse 3 (New Living Translation)

"Look, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and all the peoples of the earth will mourn because of him. So shall it be! Amen."
Revelation Chapter 1 verse 7

Hymn

Lo, He comes with clouds descending,
Once for favoured sinners slain;
Thousand thousand saints attending
Swell the triumph of His train:
Alleluia!
Alleluia!
Alleluia!
God appears on earth to reign.

Every eye shall now behold Him
Robed in glorious majesty;
Those who set at naught and sold Him,
Pierced and nailed Him to the tree,
Deeply wailing,
Deeply wailing,
Deeply wailing,
Shall their true Messiah see.

Continued....

Those dear tokens of His passion
Still His dazzling body bears;
Cause of endless exultation
To His ransomed worshippers:
With what rapture,
With what rapture,
With what rapture,
Gaze we on those glorious scars.

Yea, Amen, let all adore Thee,
High on Thine eternal throne;
Saviour, take the power and glory,
Claim the kingdom for Thine own:
Come, Lord Jesus!
Come, Lord Jesus!
Come, Lord Jesus!
Everlasting God, come down!

Charles Wesley

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.

We say sorry to God:

The gospel calls us to turn away from sin and be faithful to Christ. As we offer ourselves to him in penitence and faith, we renew our confidence and trust in his mercy.

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned(in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. 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 the third Sunday of Epiphany

Almighty God,
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles
the wonder of your saving presence:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your mighty power;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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.

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.

"Blessed is the one who reads the words of this prophecy,
and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what
is written in it, because the time is near."

Revelation Chapter 1 verse 3

Hymn

Come, divine interpreter,
Bring me eyes Thy book to read,
Ears the mystic words to hear,
Words which did from Thee proceed,
Words that endless bliss impart,
Kept in an obedient heart.

All who read, or hear, are blessed,
If Thy plain commands we do;
Of Thy kingdom here possessed,
Thee we shall in glory view
When Thou comest on earth to abide,
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Sermon

Background: to the seven churches

"I am the Living One; I was dead, and behold I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades."

Revelation Chapter 1 verse 18

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)

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
And I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth,
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

*Dance, then, wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.
And I'll lead you all wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.*

I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
But they would not dance and they would not follow me;
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;
They came to me and the dance went on.

I danced on the Sabbath when I cured the lame,
The holy people said it was a shame;
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me high;
And they left me there on a cross to die.

I danced on a Friday and the sky turned black;
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back;
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone,
But I am the dance and I still go on.

They cut me down and I leapt up high,
I am the life that'll never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in me;
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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

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