

Denham Parish Church Evening Prayer Wednesday, 19th May 2021, 6.00 pm

To join us on Zoom:

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WELCOME

O God, make speed to save us. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us, and clothe us with power from on high. Alleluia.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, to you be glory and praise for ever.
Raised to your right hand on high the ascended Christ shows the prints of love and bestows on us the gifts of grace.
As your Spirit renews the face of the earth, may we bring forth the fruit of the Spirit and reveal your glory in all the world.
Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be God for ever.

That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful, let us pray with one heart and mind.

As our evening prayer rises before you, O God, so may your mercy come down upon us to cleanse our hearts and set us free to sing your praise now and for ever.

Amen.

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Psalm 46
God is our refuge and strength, ♦
a very present help in trouble;
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Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, ♦
and though the mountains tremble in the heart of the sea;
Though the waters rage and swell, ♦
and though the mountains quake at the towering seas.
There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, ♦
the holy place of the dwelling of the Most High.
5
God is in the midst of her:
therefore shall she not be removed; ♦
God shall help her at the break of day.
6
The nations are in uproar and the kingdoms are shaken, ♦
but God utters his voice and the earth shall melt away.
The Lord of hosts is with us: ♦
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
8
Come and behold the works of the Lord, ♦
what destruction he has wrought upon the earth.
9
He makes wars to cease in all the world; ♦
he shatters the bow and snaps the spear
and burns the chariots in the fire.
10
'Be still, and know that I am God; ♦
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be exalted in the earth.'
11
The Lord of hosts is with us; ♦
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
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God of Jacob, when the earth shakes and the nations are in uproar, speak, and let the storm be still; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

BIBLE READING

Luke 8.16-25

'No one after lighting a lamp hides it under a jar, or puts it under a bed, but puts it on a lampstand, so that those who enter may see the light. For nothing is hidden that will not be disclosed, nor is anything secret that will not become known and come to light. Then pay attention to how you listen; for to those who have, more will be given; and from those who do not have, even what they seem to have will be taken away.'

Then his mother and his brothers came to him, but they could not reach him because of the crowd. And he was told, 'Your mother and your brothers are standing outside, wanting to see you.' But he said to them, 'My mother and my brothers are those who hear the word of God and do it.'

One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'

When you send forth your Spirit, we are created; you renew the face of the earth.

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O Lord, how manifold are your works; in wisdom you have made them all.

You renew the face of the earth.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

When you send forth your Spirit, we are created; you renew the face of the earth.

from Psalm 104

Intercessions are offered

- ¶ for peace
- ¶ for individuals and their needs
- ¶ God's royal priesthood, for empowerment by the Spirit
- ¶ Those who wait on God, that they may find renewal
- ¶ All people, that they may acknowledge the kingdom of the ascended Christ
- ¶ The earth, for productivity and for fruitful harvests
- ¶ All who are struggling with broken relationships

Being made one by the power of the Spirit, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

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.

May the Spirit kindle in us the fire of God's love. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia. Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.