

Service Sheet

18th June 2023, 10.30am St Mary's
The Second Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to St Mary's Church! We are so glad you are here – whether you are in the church building or watching online. If you are here for the first time or visiting, please say hello (in the chat feature online, or to the service leader or a member of the welcome team in church). You can find out more about our church on our website (www.denhamparish.church) or Facebook page (facebook.com/denhamparish.church).

Christoph Lindner, Rector

WELCOME

OPENING PRAISE (Psalm 100)

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

**Worship the LORD with gladness;
come before him with joyful songs.**

Know that the LORD is God.

It is he who made us, and we are his;
**we are his people, the sheep of his
pasture.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise
**give thanks to him and praise his
name.**

For the LORD is good
and his love endures forever;
**his faithfulness continues
through all generations.**

HYMN

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven!
To His feet thy tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who like me His praise should sing?
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise the everlasting King!

Praise Him for His grace and favour
to our fathers in distress;
praise Him, still the same as ever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Glorious in His faithfulness.

Father-like, He tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame He knows;
in His hands He gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes.

Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Widely as His mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore Him;
Ye behold Him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before Him,
dwellers all in time and space.
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise with us the God of grace!

CONFESSION

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you and against
our neighbour, in thought and word and
deed; through negligence, through
weakness, through our own deliberate
fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all
our sins. For the sake of our Son Jesus
Christ, who died for us, forgive all that is
past and grant that we may serve you in
newness of life to the glory of your name.
Amen**

Almighty God, who forgives all who
truly repent, have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your
sins, confirm and strengthen you in all
goodness, and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

COLLECT

Faithful Creator, whose mercy never
fails: deepen our faithfulness to you
and to your living Word, Jesus Christ
our Lord. **Amen**

BAPTISM OF BLOSSOM STONE

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 Blossom and uphold her in her new life? **With the help of God we will.**

Profession of Faith

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?
I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?
I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?
I believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.
This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The Baptism

Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

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.

The Welcome

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism: Blossom, by one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.

We welcome you into the fellowship of faith; we are children of the same heavenly Father; we welcome you.

Lighting of the Baptism Candle

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and has given us a place with the saints in light. Blossom, you have received the light of Christ; walk in this light all the days of your life.

Shine as a light in the world, to the glory of God the Father.

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.

(The children leave for Sunday Club)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & BANNERS

FIRST READING: Exodus 19. 2-8a

²The Israelites had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. ³Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, 'Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: ⁴You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. ⁵Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, ⁶but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.' ⁷ So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him. ⁸The people all answered as one: 'Everything that the Lord has spoken we will do.' Moses reported the words of the people to the Lord.
This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Matt 9.35-10.8

³⁵ Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. ³⁶When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and

helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; ³⁸therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.' ¹⁰Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. ²These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; ³Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. ⁵These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: 'Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, ⁶but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." ⁸Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.
This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

OFFERTORY HYMN

I have heard so many songs
Listened to a thousand tongues
But there is one that sounds above
 them all
The Father's song, the Father's love
You sung it over me and for eternity
It's written on my heart

Heaven's perfect melody
The Creator's symphony
You are singing over me
The Father's song
Heaven's perfect mystery
The King of Love has sent for me
And now You're singing over me
The Father's song

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. Amen.

PRAYERS

We pray for our five mission partners: Bible Reading Fellowship, Church Army, SHOC/Trinity, Tearfund and Wycliffe Bible Translators. We thank you for their sharing of good news in action and word and pray that you would sustain and inspire them. May they see rich fruit in their work for you.

Merciful Father,
accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

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

HYMN

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,
All Thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesu, thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation,
Enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
Into ev'ry troubled breast;
Let us all in Thee inherit,
Let us find Thy promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning,
Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its beginning,
Set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver,
Let us all Thy grace receive:
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above:
Pray, and praise Thee without ceasing,
Glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish then Thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be:
Let us see Thy great salvation
Perfectly restored in Thee.
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heav'n we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee,
Lost in wonder, love and praise.

SENDING PRAYER

Transforming God,
as we go from here,
may we be full
of your amazing story,
wanting to share it
with those we meet,
so that more lives
may be transformed. **Amen.**

BLESSING

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CONFIRMATION AT ST MARY'S

Are you interested in being confirmed?
We are planning a confirmation service
at St Mary's for the autumn. Please
contact our parish secretary Victoria to
receive updates.

Confirmation is a special church service in which a person confirms the promises that were made when they were baptized. If you were baptized at a christening when you were a child, your parents and godparents made these promises on your behalf. As a young person or adult, you may be ready to affirm these promises for yourself and commit your life to following Jesus Christ.

The bishop will lay their hands on your head and ask God's Holy Spirit to give you the strength and commitment to live God's way for the rest of your life.

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Diary

Weds 21st June

9.30am: Little Lions toddler group St Mark's. Contact: eddalindner18@gmail.com

Saturday 24th June, 4.30pm

Ordination of Azita Jabbari as Priest
at St Mary's Wendover

PLEASE NOTE: Sadly, seating is limited and Azita only has a small number of 'tickets', which have all been allocated. **The link for the live stream can be found here:**

www.oxford.anglican.org/livestream

Azita will be presiding at Holy Communion on Sunday 25th June.

Second Sunday Picnic @ St Mary's

Bring your picnic lunch and join us after the service every second Sunday of the month:

June 11th, July 9th, August 13th
Sitting outside if sunny and inside the Vestry if raining.

Let's pray together....

- That the church of Jesus would be sharing his Good News in action and word - here in Denham and around the world.
- For our PCC and all those entrusted with leadership in our church.
- For those who have lost loved ones; especially the families of Olive Young, Janet Bird, Terence Skelton and David Webster