



# Service Sheet

25<sup>th</sup> June 2023, 10.30am, St Mary's  
The Third 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](http://www.denhamparish.church)) or Facebook page ([facebook.com/denhamparish.church](https://facebook.com/denhamparish.church)). *Christoph Lindner, Rector*

## WELCOME

### HYMN

Christ is our cornerstone,  
on him alone we build;  
with his true saints alone  
the courts of heav'n are filled:  
on his great love our hopes we place  
of present grace and joys above.

O then with hymns of praise  
these hallowed courts shall ring;  
our voices we will raise  
the Three in One to sing;  
and thus proclaim in joyful song,  
both loud and long, that glorious name.

Here, gracious God, do thou  
for evermore draw nigh;  
accept each faithful vow,  
and mark each suppliant sigh;  
in copious show'r on all who pray  
each holy day thy blessings pour.

Here may we gain from heav'n  
the grace which we implore;  
and may that grace, once giv'n  
be with us evermore,  
until that day when all the blest  
to endless rest are called away.

### SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

### CONFESSION

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.**

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

God, our Saviour, look on this wounded world in pity and in power; hold us fast to your promises of peace won for us by your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

### SONG

Noah built the most enormous boat  
That kept the birds and animals afloat  
The Lord was good, the Lord was strong  
And Noah lived his life for him

Moses led his people through the sea  
Taking them away from slavery  
The Lord was good, the Lord was strong  
And Moses lived his life for him

*Oh thank you, oh thank you  
That all through history you were faithful  
Thank you, oh thank you  
That you are just the same  
When it comes to me  
When it comes to me*

David fought Goliath and he won  
A humble shepherd boy became a king  
The Lord was good, the Lord was strong  
And David lived his life for him

Daniel was inside a lion's den  
But God brought him to safety once again  
The Lord was good, the Lord was strong  
And Daniel lived his life for him

Jesus died to take away our sin  
So we could get to know our God again  
The Lord is good, the Lord is strong  
And we will live our lives for him

*(The children leave for Sunday Club)*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### FIRST READING: Jeremiah 20.7-13

<sup>7</sup> O Lord, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughing-stock all day long; everyone mocks me. <sup>8</sup> For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, 'Violence and destruction!' For the word of the Lord has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. <sup>9</sup> If I say, 'I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name', then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. <sup>10</sup> For I hear many whispering: 'Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!' All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. 'Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him.' <sup>11</sup> But the Lord is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonour will never be forgotten. <sup>12</sup> O Lord of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. <sup>13</sup> Sing to the Lord; praise the Lord! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL READING: Matt 10.24-39

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.*

**All: Glory to you, O Lord**

<sup>24</sup> 'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; <sup>25</sup> it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! <sup>26</sup> 'So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. <sup>27</sup> What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. <sup>28</sup> Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup> Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. <sup>30</sup> And even the hairs of your head are all counted. <sup>31</sup> So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. <sup>32</sup> 'Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; <sup>33</sup> but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

<sup>34</sup> 'Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. <sup>35</sup> For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; <sup>36</sup> and one's foes will be members of one's own household. <sup>37</sup> Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; <sup>38</sup> and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. <sup>39</sup> Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

*This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

**All: Praise to you, O Christ**

### SERMON

#### THE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **PRAYERS**

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

### **THE PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

### **OFFERTORY HYMN**

You are here, moving in our midst  
I worship You, I worship You  
You are here, working in this place  
I worship You, I worship You  
(Repeat)

*Way Maker, Miracle Worker,  
Promise Keeper  
Light in the darkness, my God,  
that is who You are*  
(Repeat)

You are here, touching ev'ry heart  
I worship You, I worship You  
You are here, healing ev'ry heart  
I worship You, I worship You

You are here, turning lives around  
I worship You, I worship You  
You are here, mending ev'ry heart  
I worship You, I worship You

*Way Maker, Miracle Worker ...*

### **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.**

### **THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

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 thanks and  
praise.**

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise, holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

For he is your living Word; through him you have created all things from the beginning, and formed us in your own image.

Through him you have freed us from the slavery of sin, giving him to be born of a woman and to die upon the cross; you raised him from the dead and exalted him to your right hand on high.

Through him you have sent upon us your holy and life-giving Spirit, and made us a people for your own possession. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you.

### **[The choir will sing a setting of the Sanctus by Gretchaninoff:]**

*Holy, Holy, Holy,  
ever blessed Lord Almighty  
Holy, Holy God in Three Persons:  
Blessed Trinity.  
Saints and Martyrs bless and praise Thee,  
Angels and Archangels praise Thee  
Singing: Heaven and Earth are full  
of Thy great glory  
Glory be to Thee, O Lord.*

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me. Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died:  
Christ is risen:  
Christ will come again.**

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory  
and power be yours for ever and  
ever. Amen.**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

We break this bread to share  
in the body of Christ.  
**Though we are many,  
we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

### **GIVING OF COMMUNION**

*Please follow the directions of our  
sidesteam. Please return to your seat  
through the middle aisle.*

*We take communion in both bread and  
wine. Please feel under no compulsion to  
receive the wine, though. We now have  
gluten free communion wafers  
available, if you require a GF wafer,  
please make this known to the minister  
distributing communion.*

*If you'd like to receive a blessing, please  
keep your hands at your sides as you  
come forward.*

*If you'd like to receive Holy Communion  
seated in the pew, please let a member of  
our sidesteam know.*

### **SONG DURING HOLY COMMUNION**

Light of the world  
You stepped down into darkness  
Opened my eyes let me see  
Beauty that made  
This heart adore You  
Hope of a life spent with You

*Here I am to worship  
Here I am to bow down  
Here I am to say that You're my God  
You're altogether lovely  
Altogether worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me*

King of all days  
Oh so highly exalted  
Glorious in heaven above  
Humbly You came  
To the earth You created  
All for love's sake became poor

I'll never know how much it cost  
To see my sin upon that cross  
(Repeat)

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**  
**Almighty God, we thank you for  
feeding us with the body and blood  
of your Son Jesus Christ. Through  
him we offer you our souls and  
bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send  
us out in the power of your Spirit to  
live and work to your praise and  
glory. Amen.**

### **HYMN**

**Lord for the years**  
your love has kept and guided,  
urged and inspired us,  
cheered us on our way,  
sought us and saved us,  
pardoned and provided:  
Lord for the years,  
we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that word,  
The word of life which fires us,  
speaks to our hearts  
and sets our souls ablaze,  
teaches and trains,  
rebukes us and inspires us:  
Lord of the word,  
receive your people's praise.

Lord, for our land  
in this our generation,  
spirits oppressed by pleasure,  
wealth and care:  
For young and old,  
for commonwealth and nation,  
Lord of our land,  
be pleased to hear our prayer.

Lord, for our world;  
when we disown and doubt you,  
loveless in strength  
and comfortless in pain,  
hungry and helpless,  
lost indeed without you:  
Lord of the world,  
we pray that Christ may reign.

Lord, for ourselves;  
in living pow'r remake us-  
self on the cross  
and Christ upon the throne,  
past put behind us,  
for the future take us:  
Lord of our lives,  
to live for Christ alone.

### **SENDING PRAYER**

Jesus, you walked to the cross,  
and paid the ultimate sacrifice for us,  
for our freedom; may we walk with  
you this week as we learn what it is to  
truly take up our cross and follow you.  
May we shout from the rooftops  
and burn with your love inside us,  
so that others may see you, too.

**Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

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## **Diary**

### **Weds 28<sup>th</sup> June**

**9.30am: Little Lions toddler group**  
St Mark's.

Contact: eddalindner18@gmail.com

### **Second Sunday Picnic @ St Mary's**

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

July 9th, August 13th

Sitting outside if sunny and inside the  
Vestry if raining.



Have you seen  
the roses in the  
churchyard?  
They are  
putting on a  
great show this

year. You can sponsor a rose in  
memory of a loved one, if you are  
interested, contact the church office.  
for more information

### **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 all ministers who are being ordained as priests this summer.
- For those who have lost loved ones; especially the families of Brian Pegg.

A close-up photograph of a brass key lying on a bed of dry, brown leaves and twigs. The key has a three-loop head and a long, straight shaft. The background is a dense layer of natural debris, creating a textured and somewhat chaotic environment. The lighting is soft, highlighting the metallic sheen of the key against the muted colors of the leaves.

Whoever finds their life will lose it,  
and whoever loses their life for my sake  
will find it.

**Matthew 10:39**