

Service Sheet 2nd July 2023, 10.30am St Mary's The Fourth 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

SONG

La la la...

Clap your hands, shout for joy, God is here! Clap your hands, shout for joy, God is here!

Now is the time to sing with all your heart. Now is the time to celebrate our God.

HYMN

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry ev'rything to him in prayer! O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear, all because we do not carry ev'rything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged: take it to the Lord in prayer! Can we find a friend so faithful, who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness take it to the Lord in prayer!

CONFESSION

God of mercy, we acknowledge that we are all sinners. We turn from the wrong that we have thought and said and done, and are mindful of all that we have failed to do. For the sake of Jesus, who died for us, forgive us for all that is past, and help us to live each day in the light of Christ and his resurrection. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

May almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

A CUP OF KINDNESS

Have you experienced someone's kindness in the last week or so? Share it with someone near you!

Living God, we thank you for your kindness towards us. Give us grateful hearts, and direct us in ways we can share your kindness with one another and with your world. Amen.

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BIBLE READING: Matthew 10.40-42

⁴⁰ Jesus said: "Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me. And anyone who welcomes me welcomes the One who sent me.⁴¹ Suppose someone welcomes a prophet as a prophet. That one will receive a prophet's reward. And suppose someone welcomes a godly person as a godly person. That one will receive a godly person's reward.⁴² Suppose someone gives even a cup of cold water to a little one who follows me. What I'm about to tell you is true. That one will certainly be rewarded."

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

DETECTIVES: Logos, logos

SONG

I am a city on a hill I am a light in the darkness Jesus living in me can change the world (x2)

Let my light shine let my light shine Let my light shine (x2)

If God is for me who can stand against me Let my light shine let my light shine Let my light shine (x2)

We are a city on a hill We are a light in the darkness Jesus living in us can change the world (x2) Let your light shine let your light shine Let your light shine. Let it shine (x2)

If God is for us who can stand against us Let your light shine let your light shine Let your light shine (x2)

(The children leave for Sunday Club)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SERMON

OFFERTORY HYMN

O thou who camest from above the fire celestial to impart, kindle a flame of sacred love on the mean altar of my heart.

There let it for thy glory burn with inextinguishable blaze, and trembling to its source return in humble prayer and fervent praise.

Jesus, confirm my heart's desire to work and speak and think for thee; still let me guard the holy fire and still stir up the gift in me.

Ready for all thy perfect will, my acts of faith and love repeat, til death thy endless mercies seal, and make the sacrifice complete.

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, yourkingdom 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

CHOIR

You have called us by our name, we belong to you. You have called us by our name and we are yours.

You have chosen us to be members of your family. In your love you have created us to live in unity.

You will lead us to your light, walk before us through the night. You will guide us on our journey. You will keep our vision bright. You will hold us when we fall, give new strength to hear your call. You will never be beyond us, for your love is all in all.

You will nourish, you will lead, giving ev'ry gift we need, for your reign will be established from the smallest of all seeds.

Through our sharing here today may our faith and life convey Christ our light and Christ our vision, Christ our purpose, Christ our way.

MEANWHILE AT SUNDAY CLUB...

HYMN

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, Whose trust, ever child-like, No cares could destroy; Be there at our waking, And give us, we pray, Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, At the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, Whose strong hands were skilled At the plane and the lathe; Be there at our labours, And give us, we pray, Your strength in our hearts, Lord, At the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace, Your hands swift to welcome, Your arms to embrace; Be there at our homing, And give us, we pray, Your love in our hearts, Lord, At the eve of the day. Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, Whose voice is contentment, Whose presence is balm; Be there at our sleeping, And give us, we pray, Your peace in our hearts, Lord, At the end of the day.

BLESSING

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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 those who are finding life difficult: for encouragement, practical support and an experience of the love of God.
- For those who have lost loved ones; especially the family of Brian Pegg.

Diary

Today 3.30pm Cafe Church. St Mark's

Weds 5th July

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

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