

Service Sheet

02nd June 10.30am, St Mary's First 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

HYMN

Holy Spirit, come, confirm us in the truth that Christ makes known; we have faith and understanding through your helping gifts alone.

Holy Spirit, come, console us, come as advocate to plead; loving Spirit from the Father, grant in Christ the help we need.

Holy Spirit, come, renew us, come yourself to make us live; keep us holy through your presence, holy through the gifts you give.

Holy Spirit, come possess us, you the love of Three in One, Holy Spirit of the Father, Holy Spirit of the Son.

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**

COLLECT

God of truth, help us to keep your law of love and to walk in ways of wisdom, that we may find true life in Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.

SONG

In my wrestling and in my doubts In my failures You won't walk out Your great love will lead me through You are the peace in my troubled sea, oh oh You are the peace in my troubled sea

In the silence, You won't let go In the questions, Your truth will hold Your great love will lead me through You are the peace in my troubled sea, oh oh You are the peace in my troubled sea

My Lighthouse, my lighthouse Shining in the darkness, I will follow You My Lighthouse, my lighthouse I will trust the promise, You will carry me safe to shore (Oh-oh-oh-oh-oh)

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Safe to shore (Oh-oh-oh-oh) Safe to shore (Oh-oh-oh-oh) Safe to shore I won't fear what tomorrow brings With each morning I'll rise and sing My God's love will lead me through You are the peace in my troubled sea, oh oh You are the peace in my troubled sea,

My Lighthouse, my lighthouse Shining in the darkness, I will follow You My Lighthouse, my lighthouse I will trust the promise, You will carry me safe to shore (Oh-oh-oh-oh-oh) Safe to shore (Oh-oh-oh-oh) Safe to shore

(The children leave for Sunday Club)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 3: 1-10

³Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days: visions were not widespread. 2 At that time Eli. whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room: 3the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. 4Then the LORD called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, 'Here I am!' 5 and ran to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again.' So he went and lay down. 'The LORD called again. 'Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said. 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call, my son; lie down again.' 7Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not vet been revealed to him. 8The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. 9Therefore Eli said to Samuel, 'Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, "Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening." 'So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰ Now the LORD came and

stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.'

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

SECOND READING: Mark 2 23- 3:6

²³ One sabbath he was going through the cornfields: and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. ²⁴The Pharisees said to him, 'Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?' 25 And he said to them. 'Have vou never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? ²⁶He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions.' 27Then he said to them, 'The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath: 28 so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath.' Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. ²Thev watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. 3And he said to the man who had the withered hand, 'Come forward.' 4Then he said to them, 'Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?' But they were silent. 5He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, 'Stretch out your hand.' He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. 6The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

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SERMON

OFFERTORY HYMN

May the mind of Christ my Saviour Live in me from day to day By His love and pow'r controlling All I do and say

May the word of God dwell richly In my heart from hour to hour So that I may triumph only In his saving pow'r

May the peace of God my Father Rule my life in ev'rything That I may be calm to comfort Sick and sorrowing

May the love of Jesus fill me As the waters fill the sea Him exalting, self abasing This is victory

May I run the race before me Strong and brave to face the foe Looking only unto Jesus As I onward go

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.

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

In Christ alone my hope is found He is my light my strength my song This Cornerstone this solid Ground Firm through the fiercest drought and storm

What heights of love what depths of peace When fears are stilled when strivings cease My Comforter my All in All Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

BLESSING

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DIARY

WEDNESDAY 5th June

9:30 Little Lions toddler group.

St Mark's. Contact: kathypaine16@gmail.com

SUNDAY 9th June

9am Holy Communion

10.30 Sunday Service with Sunday Club

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SUN 8 September: St Mary's Festival

Let's pray together....

- For those who have lost loved ones especially the families and friends of Cynthia Williams, Doreen Dane and Ann Stewart (Mike Stewart's wife).
- For those who are persecuted for their Christian faith in North Korea, Somalia, Libya, Eritrea, Yemen, Nigeria, Pakistan, Sudan, Iran, Afghanistan, India and many other countries around the world. Find out more here: www.opendoorsuk.org/persecution/ world-watch-list/

A Celebration of Ann Stewart's Life

Our treasurer Mike Stewart and his family are inviting us to attend a service of thanksgiving for his wife Ann at St James Gerrards Cross on Wednesday, 5th June, at 2.00pm. Ann has been a member of St James for many years.

10 good reasons to be in church



Stability, not lack of boundaries

The church year with its themes, hymns and songs and prayers, gives structure and rhythm to the year. It is like a trellis for our life. Church reminds us how important this support is in a confusing and complex world. It reminds us what is truly important: The blessing of God.



COME AND JOIN THE FUN!

Holiday Club for ages 5 to 11 (Year 1 to 6) St Mark's Church Hall, Denham Green Wed 28th Aug - Fri 30th Aug, 2024 10.00 to 14.00

Find out more and sign up: www.denhamparish.church/lighthouse

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