



Service Sheet

16th June 10.30am, St Mary's
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) or Facebook page (facebook.com/denhamparish.church).

Christoph Lindner, Rector

WELCOME

See what love the Father has given us,
that we should be called the children of God.

You are my sons and daughters: this day
have I begotten you.

See what love the Father has given us.

As many as received him, to them he gave
power to become the children of God.

See what love the Father has given us.

HYMN

Christ is our cornerstone,
On Him alone we build;
With His true saints alone
The courts of Heaven 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
Forevermore draw nigh;
Accept each faithful vow,
And mark each suppliant sigh;
In copious shower 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 given,
Be with us evermore;
Until that day when all the blest
To endless rest are called away.

CONFESSION

**Father, we have sinned against heaven
and against you. We are not worthy to be
called your children. We turn to you again.
Have mercy on us, bring us back to
yourself as those who once were dead but
now have life through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

May the God of love bring us back to
himself, forgive us our sins, and assure us
of his eternal love in 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

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

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

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

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
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(The children leave for Sunday Club)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 15.34 16.13

³⁴ Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul.³⁵ Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel. ¹⁶The Lord said to Samuel, 'How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.'² Samuel said, 'How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.' And the Lord said, 'Take a heifer with you, and say, "I have come to sacrifice to the Lord."³ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.'⁴ Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, 'Do you come peaceably?'⁵ He said, 'Peaceably; I have

come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.' And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. ^{Wh}⁶en they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord.'⁷ But the Lord said to Samuel, 'Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.'⁸ Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, 'Neither has the Lord chosen this one.'⁹ Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, 'Neither has the Lord chosen this one.'¹⁰ Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, 'The Lord has not chosen any of these.'¹¹ Samuel said to Jesse, 'Are all your sons here?' And he said, 'There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.' And Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.'¹² He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, 'Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.'¹³ Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

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

SECOND READING: Mark 4.26-34

²⁶ He also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground,²⁷ and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how.'²⁸ The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head.²⁹ But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'³⁰ He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it?'³¹ It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth;³² yet

when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.'³³ With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it;³⁴ he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

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

SERMON

OFFERTORY HYMN

O Jesus, I have promised
to serve Thee to the end;
Be Thou forever near me,
My Master and my Friend;
I shall not fear the battle
If Thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway
If Thou wilt be my Guide.

Oh, let me feel Thee near me;
The world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle,
The tempting sounds I hear;
My foes are ever near me,
Around me and within;
But, Jesus, draw Thou nearer,
And shield my soul from sin.
Oh, let me hear Thee speaking,
In accents clear and still,
Above the storms of passion,
The murmurs of self-will;
Oh, speak to reassure me,
To hasten, or control;
Oh, speak, and make me listen,
Thou Guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, Thou hast promised
To all who follow Thee
That where Thou art in glory
There shall Thy servant be;
And Jesus, I have promised
To serve Thee to the end;
Oh, give me grace to follow,
My Master and my Friend.

Oh, let me see Thy footmarks,
And in them plant mine own;
My hope to follow duly
Is in Thy strength alone.
Oh, guide me, call me, draw me,
Uphold me to the end;
And then to rest receive me,
My Savior and my Friend.

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

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

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.

BLESSING

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DIARY

WEDNESDAY 19th June

9:30 Little Lions toddler group.

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

THURSDAY 20th June

6:30 pm Baptism Preparation Evening

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 and Ann Stewart (Mike Stewart's wife), and Doreen Dane.
- 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 Doreen Dane

Pauline, Audrey and family would like to invite you to attend a service of thanksgiving for their mother Doreen Dane on Friday 21st June, at 2.00pm. There will be refreshments after the service in the vestry.



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

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