

Service Sheet

23rd June 2024 10.30am, St Mary's 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

Be with us, Spirit of God; nothing can separate us from your love. Breathe on us, breath of God, fill us with your saving power. Speak in us, wisdom of God; bring strength, healing and peace.

HYMN

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear,
Now to His temple draw near;
Sing now in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, Who, as on wings of an eagle, uplifteth, sustaineth. Hast thou not seen How thy desires all have been Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee, Who from the heavens the streams of His mercy doth send thee. Ponder anew What the Almighty can do, Who with His love doth befriend thee. >>> Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen
Sound from His people again;
Gladly for aye we adore Him.

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

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 our Saviour. Amen.

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ABSOLUTION

May God our Father forgive us our sins and bring us to the eternal joy of his kingdom, where dust and ashes have no dominion. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT

Gracious Father, by the obedience of Jesus you brought salvation to our wayward world: draw us into harmony with your will, that we may find all things restored in him, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **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 whoa 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 whoa oh You are the peace in my troubled sea

My Lighthouse my Lighthouse Shining in the darkness I will follow You oh My Lighthouse my Lighthouse I will trust the promise You will carry me safe to shore Safe to shore, safe to shore, Safe to shore, 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 whoa oh You are the peace in my troubled sea

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 17.32-40

³²David said to Saul, 'Let no one's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine.'33 Saul said to David. 'You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are just a boy, and he has been a warrior from his vouth.'34But David said to Saul, 'Your servant used to keep sheep for his father; and whenever a lion or a bear came, and took a lamb from the flock,351 went after it and struck it down, rescuing the lamb from its mouth; and if it turned against me, I would catch it by the jaw, strike it down, and kill it.36Your servant has killed both lions and bears: and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, since he has defied the armies of the living God.'37 David said, 'The Lord, who saved me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, will save me from the hand of this Philistine.' So Saul said to David, 'Go, and may the Lord be with you! 38 Saul clothed David with his armour; he put a bronze helmet on his head and clothed him with a coat of mail.³⁹David strapped Saul's sword over the armour, and he tried in vain to walk, for he was not used to them. Then David said to Saul. 'I cannot walk with these: for I am not used to them.' So David removed them.⁴⁰Then he took his staff in his hand, and chose five smooth stones from the wadi, and put them in his shepherd's bag, in the pouch; his sling was in his hand, and he drew near to the Philistine.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL READING: Mark 4.35-41

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord

³⁵ On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. The boat gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped.

³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, 'Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?'³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm.⁴⁰He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?'⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Christ**

SERMON

THE CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord. Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontus Pilate, Was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; He ascended into heaven. He is seated at the right hand of the Father. and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. 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

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Come unto Me, and rest;
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down
Thy head upon My breast."
I came to Jesus as I was,
Weary, and worn, and sad;
I found in Him a resting-place,
And He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Behold, I freely give
The living water: thirsty one,
Stoop down, and drink, and live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank
Of that life-giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"I am this dark world's Light;
Look unto Me, thy morn shall rise,
And all thy day be bright."
I looked to Jesus, and I found
In Him my Star, my Sun;
And in that Light of life I'll walk
Till trav'lling days are done.

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 be with you and also with you. 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 lifegiving 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 and saying:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

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 betraved. 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 vour Son our Lord.

Jesus Christ is Lord:

Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. You are the Saviour of the world.

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.

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy.

Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

We take communion in both bread and wine. Please feel under no compulsion to receive the wine though. If you require a gluten free wafer, please make this known to the minister distributing communion.

If you'd like to receive a blessing please keep your hands at your side as you come forwards.

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

ANTHEM: Wesley Lead me, Lord

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' name

Christ alone, Cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Savior's love
Through the storm He is Lord
Lord of all

When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil
My anchor holds within the veil

Christ alone, Cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Savior's love
Through the storm He is Lord
Lord of all

When he shall come with trumpet sound
Oh may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless stand before the throne

BLESSING

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ, Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

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Let's pray together....

- For those who have lost loved ones especially the family of 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/

DIARY

WEDNESDAY 26th June

9:30 AM Little Lions Toddler Group.

St. Mark's Contact: KathyPaine16@gmail.com

SUNDAY 30th June

9am Holy Communion

10.30 Sunday Service (Please note there will be no Sunday Club. Destiny will be in the Vestry and younger children will be given a bag with things to do)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SUN 8 September: St Mary's Festival

NEW CHURCH OFFICE HOURS



Welcome to Sian Reading, our new interim secretary!

Please note that the office house have changed:

Monday and Tuesday: 9.30am – 12.00pm

Wednesday: OFFICE CLOSED

Thursday and Friday: 12.30pm - 3pm

10 good reasons to be in church



Refuelling, not draining

In church you receive the blessing of God. You are not judged by your achievements, but invited to receive God's love and the life he's given you as a free gift.

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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

Come and join the fun

We welcome children from Reception to Year 6, older children are welcome to register to help.

Each day between 10 and 14:00 children will enjoy a range of activities including crafts, drama, sports and teaching sessions.

Lighthouse is run entirely by volunteers. We need volunteers for lots of roles including running sessions, serving refreshments and looking after children.

There are many different roles at Lighthouse and there will certainly be something that you can do. For detailed descriptions of the roles see:

https://lighthousecentral.org/lighthouse-toolbox/roles-list, but the main roles are:

- Lighthouse Keeper looks after a small group of children as they take part in their activities during the day.
- Craft team help run craft sessions.
- Sports team help run sports sessions.
- Refreshments keep our volunteers happy by serving tea, coffee and biscuits throughout the day.



The General Election has been announced for 4 July, so now is the time for churches and individuals to take action.

The church has long been involved in politics in various ways, and we continue to be called to 'seek the welfare of the city' (Jeremiah 29:7), including on environmental issues and addressing poverty and inequality in our communities.

Political parties' manifestos have been written, so we have an opportunity to ensure our local candidates are committed to focusing on the important issues and holding those elected accountable to deliver on their promises.

There are a number of ways you can engage locally with the election period, with parishes uniquely placed to advocate on behalf of the issues and needs of our communities.

Pray your Part

Pray Your Part is an invitation from the bishops of the Church of England to encourage prayer and participation in the life of our nation and communities, both as voters and as citizens.

This 21-day journey of prayer and reflection (from Friday 14 June until Election Day on 4 July) is designed for use in the run-up to the UK General Election. Each day explores a different theme, with a short Bible reading, reflection and prayer for a different aspect of our common life.

Visit: https://oxford.anglican.org/general-election-resources for more information