



Service Sheet

21st July 2024 10.30am St Mary's
Eighth 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

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder:
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul, my Saviour, God, to thee:

How great thou art, how great thou art!

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When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze.

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin!

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then shall I bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim, my God, how great thou art

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 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

Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake; when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SONG

With me God is with me
Yes He's with me every step
With me God is with me
Yes He's with me every step
And I know God is with me every step I go
Yes I know God is with me every step >>>

With you God is with you
Yes He's with you every step
With you God is with you
Yes He's with you every step
And I know God is with you every step you go
Yes I know God is with you every step

*And oh the love of God is with me every day
Every step I take
He will lead me on into his perfect plan
Walking hand in hand*

With us God is with us
Yes He's with us every step
With us God is with us
Yes He's with us every step
And I know God is with us every step we go
Yes I know God is with us every step

(Please join us in praying for the children moving up to secondary school next year before they leave for Sunday Club.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST READING: Nehemiah 4:14-20

¹⁴After I looked these things over, I stood up and said to the nobles and the officials and the rest of the people, "Do not be afraid of them. Remember the LORD, who is great and awesome, and fight for your kin, your sons, your daughters, your wives, and your homes. ¹⁵When our enemies heard that their plot was known to us, and that God had frustrated it, we all returned to the wall, each to his work. ¹⁶From that day on, half of my servants worked on construction, and half held the spears, shields, bows, and body-armor; and the leaders posted themselves behind the whole house of Judah, ¹⁷who were building the wall. The burden bearers carried their loads in such a way that each labored on the work with one hand and with the other held a weapon. ¹⁸And each of the builders had his sword strapped at his side while he built. The man who sounded the trumpet was beside me. ¹⁹And I said to the nobles, the officials, and the rest of the people, "The work is great and widely spread out, and we are separated far from one another on the wall.

²⁰Rally to us wherever you hear the sound of the trumpet. Our God will fight for us."

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Mark 6.30-34, 53-56

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognised them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the market-places, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

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INTERVIEW WITH GARETH HILLIER

SERMON

OFFERTORY HYMN

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

*Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church
Gathered today.*

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice.

Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
Shared until all are fed.

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others,
Walls made of living stone.

Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
Making your kingdom come.

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

Go forth and tell O Church of God awake
God's saving news to all the nations take
Proclaim Christ Jesus Saviour Lord and King
That all the world His worthy praise may sing

Go forth and tell God's love embraces all
He will in grace respond to all who call
How shall they call if they have never heard
The gracious invitation of His word?

Go forth and tell where still the darkness lies
In wealth or want the sinner surely dies
Give us O Lord concern of heart and mind
A love like Yours which cares for all mankind

Go forth and tell the doors are open wide
Share God's good gifts let no one be denied
Live out your life as Christ your Lord shall choose
Your ransomed powers for His sole glory use

Go forth and tell O Church of God arise
Go in the strength which Christ your Lord supplies
Go till all nations His great name adore
And serve Him Lord and King for evermore

THE BLESSING

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DIARY

SUNDAY 28th July

9am Holy Communion

10.30 Sunday Service

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

28 - 30th August: Lighthouse

SUN 8 September: *St Mary's Festival*

Let's pray together....

- For those who have lost loved ones.
- For those who are unwell especially Ann Collins and Beverley Gray.
- 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:

<https://www.opendoorsuk.org/>



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

Farewell to Nnamdi

After serving with us for 5.5 years, Nnamdi is leaving to take up the position of Vicar of Waltham St. Lawrence and Shottesbrooke. We will thank him and his family at our services on Sunday 1st September.

Would you like to contribute to a leaving gift?

Please make your gift by Sunday 18th August. Preferably, please make a bank transfer with reference "NNAMD1": Denham Parochial Church Council. Account No. 30305553. Sort code 208916. (Barclays Uxbridge)

Alternatively, please put a sealed envelope addressed to **Mike Stewart** with cash or a cheque through the office letterbox or in the Collection bag.

Please make cheques payable to Denham PCC and write "Nnamdi" on the back of the cheque. For cash please put a note in the letter saying "Gift for Nnamdi".

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