

# Service Sheet 04<sup>th</sup> August 2024 10.30am St Mary's Tenth 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

Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true, the only light, Sun of Righteousness arise, triumph o'er the shades of night; dayspring from on high, be near, daystar, in my heart appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by thee; joyless is the day's return, till thy mercy's beams I see, till they inward light impart, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine, pierce the gloom of sin and grief; fill me, radiancy divine, scatter all my unbelief; more and more thyself display shining to the perfect day.

# 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 of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### 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.

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(Children can do a quiet activity at the back of the church.)

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# FIRST READING: 2 Samuel 11.26 - 12.13a

<sup>26</sup> When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. <sup>27</sup>When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house. and she became his wife, and bore him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD, <sup>1</sup>and the LORD sent Nathan to David. He came to him. and said to him. 'There were two men in a certain city, one rich and the other poor, <sup>2</sup>The rich man had very many flocks and herds; <sup>3</sup>but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children: it used to eat of his meagre fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. <sup>4</sup>Now there came a traveller to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him.' <sup>5</sup>Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, 'As the Lord lives, the man who has done this deserves to die: <sup>6</sup>he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.<sup>7</sup> Nathan said to David, 'You are the man! Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; <sup>8</sup>I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah: and if that had been too little. I would have added as much more. <sup>9</sup>Why have you despised the word of the LORD, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. <sup>10</sup>Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. <sup>11</sup>Thus says the LORD: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbour, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. <sup>12</sup>For you did it secretly: but I will do

this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.' <sup>13</sup>David said to Nathan, 'I have sinned against the LORD.' Nathan said to David, 'Now the LORD has put away your sin; you shall not die.

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

#### SECOND READING : John 6.24 - 35

<sup>24</sup>So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.<sup>25</sup> When they found him on the other side of the lake. they said to him. 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' <sup>26</sup>Jesus answered them. 'Verv truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup>Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.<sup>28</sup>Then they said to him. 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' <sup>29</sup> Jesus answered them. 'This is the work of God. that you believe in him whom he has sent.' <sup>30</sup>So they said to him. 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? <sup>31</sup>Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat."<sup>7</sup> <sup>32</sup>Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell vou, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup>For the bread of God is that which<sup>+</sup> comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' <sup>34</sup>They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.' <sup>35</sup> Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

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SERMON

#### **OFFERTORY HYMN**

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, The Holy One is here; Come bow before him now With reverence and fear. In him no sin is found, We stand on holy ground; Be still, for the presence of the Lord, The Holy One is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord Is shining all around; He burns with holy fire, With splendour he is crowned. How awesome is the sight, Our radiant King of light! Be still, for the glory of the Lord Is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord Is moving in this place; He comes to cleanse and heal, To minister his grace. No work too hard for him, In faith receive from him; Be still, for the power of the Lord Is moving in this place.

# **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

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father; There is no shadow of turning with Thee, Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not, As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see All I have needed Thy hand hath provided Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above; Join with all nature in manifold witness, To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; Strength for today, and bright hope for tomorrow Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.

#### **THE BLESSING**

# DIARY

SUNDAY 11th August

9am Holy Communion

10.30 Sunday Service

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

28 - 30<sup>th</sup> August: Lighthouse

# SUN 8 September: St Mary's Festiva/

# Let's pray together....

- For those who have lost loved ones.
- For those who are unwell.
- 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/



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  $1^{st}$  September.

#### Would you like to contribute to a leaving gift?

Please make your gift by Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August. Preferably, please make a bank transfer with reference "NNAMDI": 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".