

Notices

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please contact the Parish Office on 810616.
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10.30am Holy Communion John Libby
6.30pm Evening Worship John Libby
Prayer Ministry is available after this Service

Cummersdale

10.40am Morning Worship Frank Tebbutt

Mon 16 10.00am Parent & Toddler Bible Study
Tue 17 7.30pm P.C.C
Wed 18 10.00am Toddlers
Thur 19 10.30am Sticky Fingers
Fri 20 7.45pm Badminton

Services Next Sunday

10.30am Family Worship Wendy Downey
Prayer Ministry is available after this Service
6.30pm Evening Worship John Libby

Cummersdale

10.40am Holy Communion John Libby

Information:

Distributors - Publicity bundles for the festival are available to pick up from the back of church.

Festival - There are sign up sheets at the back of church for those able to help at this years event

Prayer Diary Info & Magazine articles should be submitted by next weekend.

Joel Edwards will be speaking at our Parish Centre on Tuesday 24 June @ 7.30pm as part of his *Agenda for Change* Tour.

Advance Notice:

Ordination - Our new curate, Eddie Scrase-Field, will be ordained at the Cathedral on Sunday 29th June. If you would like to attend the service please let the parish office know by tomorrow.

There will be a Welcome Lunch in the Parish Centre following the ordination service. All members of the congregation are welcome, please sign up on the sheet at the back of Church.

If you are able to offer accommodation to members of Eddie's family and friends for 28th/29th June then please contact the office as soon as possible.

And, finally, if anyone would like to make some contribution to re- stock the larder at the curatage, please pass your donations to the office.

Carlisle One World Centre are holding their AGM on Thursday 19 June, 7.30pm at the Church of Scotland. Chief Constable Craig Mackey will be speaking on 'People Trafficking'.

Please pray for:

Those who are ill or in hospital at this time, especially Gloria Smith, Fiona Smith, Fiona Hurley, Peggy Fluck, Glenda Davidson, Rebecca Slater, Philip Levin, Dorothy Oliver, and Maureen Richardson.

For those recently bereaved, especially the family and friends of Billy Fulton.

SAINT JAMES' CHURCH CARLISLE

Holy Communion
10.30am, Sunday, 15th June, 2008



Welcome to our service of Holy Communion this morning. We invite all who are baptised and love the Lord to join us at His table. We continue our series looking at our Christian family. This morning we consider God's love for us, and our love for each other.

There is a programme in the Parish Centre for children up to the age of 14, and any children visiting us today are invited to join in those activities. The children will go over to the Parish Centre after the first part of this service.

If you are new to St. James' please fill in one of the Welcome Cards on the pews

If you have a mobile telephone, please ensure that it is turned off. Thank you.

Welcome

Opening Sentence:

If anyone says, "I love God," yet hates his brother, he is a liar. For anyone who does not love his brother, whom he has seen, cannot love God, whom he has not seen. And he has given us this command: Whoever loves God must also love his brother. *1 John chapter 4 verses 20 & 21*

Song

Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down:
fix in us Thy humble dwelling,
all Thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, Thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love Thou art;
visit us with Thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit
into every troubled breast;
let us all in Thee inherit,
let us find Thy promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning,
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.

Continued...

Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all Thy grace receive;
suddenly return, and never,
never more Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
pray, and praise Thee without ceasing,
glory in Thy perfect love.

Here I am, and I have come

To thank You, Lord, for all You've done;
Thank You, Lord.
You paid the price at Calvary,
You shed Your blood, You set me free;
Thank You, Lord.
No greater love was ever shown,
No better life ever was laid down.

You took my sin, You took my shame,
You drank my cup, You bore my pain;
Thank You, Lord.
You broke the curse, You broke the chains,
In victory from death You rose again;
Thank You, Lord.
And not by works, but by Your grace
You clothe me now in Your righteousness.

*And I will always love Your name;
And I will always sing Your praise.
(Repeat)*

You bid me come, You make me whole,
You give me peace, You restore my soul;
Thank You, Lord.
You fill me up, and when I'm full,
You give me more till I overflow;
Thank You, Lord.
You're making me to be like You,
To do the works of the Father, too.

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We pray for strength to keep Jesus' commandments:
Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all
your mind, with all your soul and with all your strength:

Lord, help us to obey.

Love your neighbour as yourself:

Lord, help us to obey.

Love one another as I have loved you:

Lord, help us to obey.

In your mercy strengthen us

and move our hearts to do your will. Amen.

Confession:

Father God, we want to say sorry for all the times when
we have not behaved as you want, and when we have let
you down.

For the wrong things we have done, Father God

Forgive us, for we are sorry

For the wrong things we have said, Father God

Forgive us, for we are sorry

For the wrong things we have thought, Father God

Forgive us, for we are sorry

And for the things we should have done, should have
said, and should have thought, but didn't, Father God

Forgive us, for we are sorry.

We ask in Jesus name. Amen

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.

Acclamation

**Christ has died,
Christ has risen,
Christ will come again**

Song

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 for ever 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 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!

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Closing Prayer and Blessing

**Please join us for Refreshments in the
Parish Centre after the Service**

The Administration

These words are said at the administration of the bread:

May the body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your heart by faith with thanksgiving.

These words are said at the administration of the cup:

May the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's blood was shed for you, and be thankful.

Songs during Communion

Instrumental

Jesus Christ, I think upon your sacrifice:

You became nothing, poured out to death.
Many times I've wondered at Your gift of life,
and I'm in that place once again,
I'm in that place once again.

*And once again I look upon
the cross where You died:
I'm humbled by Your mercy and
I'm broken inside,
once again I thank You,
once again I pour out my life.*

Now You are exalted to the highest place -
King of the heavens - where one day I'll bow,
but for now, I marvel at this saving grace,
and I'm full of praise once again,
I'm full of praise once again.

And once again I look upon

Thank You for the cross,
Thank You for the cross,
Thank You for the cross, my Friend. (Repeat)

And once again I look upon the cross . . .

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Followed by:

What love is this, that took my place?

Instead of wrath, you poured your grace on me.
What can I do but simply come
And worship you?

*I surrender, I surrender,
I surrender all to you.*

What love is this that comes to save?
Upon the cross you bore my guilt and shame.
To you alone I give my heart
And worship you.

I surrender. . .

A greater love no man has seen;
It breaks sin's power and sets this prisoner free.
With all I have and all I am,
I worship you.

I surrender. . .

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Assurance of forgiveness:

Listen to God's promise to all who are truly sorry: As high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His love for those who respond to Him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our sins from us.

The Lord's Prayer

**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 forever. Amen.**

Song

God's love is the best love

That the world has ever, ever known;
God's love is the best love
That the world has ever, ever known.
Higher than the rockets up in space,
Wider than the total human race;
God's love is the best love that the world has ever ever,
Has ever ever, has ever ever known.

Action Creed

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!
We believe and trust in God the Father, source of all
being and life, the one for whom we exist.**

We declare

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!

**We believe and trust in Jesus, God's only Son, who
took our human nature, died for us and rose again.**

We declare

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!

**We believe and trust in the Holy Spirit, who gives
life to the people of God and makes Jesus known in
the world. We declare**

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!

Talk

Daddy Cool?

Song

(During the singing of this song young people up to the age of 14 are invited to leave for their own activities in the Parish Centre)

Will your anchor hold in the storms of life

when the clouds unfold their wings of strife?
When the strong tides lift, and the cables strain,
will your anchor drift, or firm remain?

*We have an anchor that keeps the soul,
steadfast and sure while the billows roll;
fastened to the rock which cannot move,
grounded firm and deep in the Saviour's love!*

Will your anchor hold in the straits of fear,
when the breakers roar and the reef is near?
While the surges rage, and the wild winds blow,
shall the angry waves then your bark o'erflow?

We have an anchor....

Continued...

Will your anchor hold in the floods of death,
when the waters cold chill your latest breath?
On the rising tide, you can never fail,
while your anchor holds within the veil.

We have an anchor....

Will your eyes behold thro' the morning light,
the city of gold and the harbour bright?
Will you anchor safe by the heavenly shore,
when life's storms are past for evermore?

We have an anchor.....

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Intercessions

Reading:

1 John chapter 4 verses 7 - 21

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Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

The Christian family – likenesses & longings: love

Song

(During this song, the offering will be taken up to the front)

How deep the Father's love for us,

How vast beyond all measure,

That He should give His only Son

To make a wretch His treasure.

How great the pain of searing loss –

The Father turns His face away,

As wounds which mar the Chosen One

Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross,

My sin upon His shoulders;

Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice

Call out among the scoffers.

It was my sin that held Him there

Until it was accomplished;

His dying breath has brought me life –

I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,

No gifts, no power, no wisdom;

But I will boast in Jesus Christ,

His death and resurrection.

Why should I gain from His reward?

I cannot give an answer;

But this I know with all my heart –

His wounds have paid my ransom.

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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.**

Holy Communion

Hear the words of comfort our Saviour Christ says to
all who truly turn to him:

Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I
will give you rest. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten
Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but
have eternal life. *John 3:16*

Hear what Saint Paul says: This saying is true and worthy
of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world
to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

Hear what Saint John says: If anyone sins, we have an
advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and
he is the propitiation for our sins. *1 John 2:1,2*

**Most merciful Lord, your love compels us to come in.
Our hands were unclean, our hearts were unprepared;
we were not fit even to eat the crumbs
from under your table.**

**But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation,
and share your bread with sinners.**

**So cleanse and feed us with the precious body and blood
of your Son, that he may live in us and we in him;
and that we, with the whole company of Christ,
may sit and eat in your kingdom. Amen.**

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away you did not reject us,
but came to meet us in your Son.

**You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life

that we might live in him and he in us.

**He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his
friends he took bread, and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him;
His body is the bread of life.**

At the end of the supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:

Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new
covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of
sins; do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him;
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole church throughout the world we offer
you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voices to join the
eternal song of heaven, saying:

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