

Notices

For further details on any of these events or activities,
please contact the Parish Office on 810616.
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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

Mon 23 10.00am Parent & Toddler Bible Study
Tue 24 7.30pm Joel Edwards - Agenda For Change
Wed 25 10.00am Toddlers
Thur 26 10.30am Sticky Fingers
Fri 27 7.45pm Badminton

Services Next Sunday

10.30am Family Worship Ian Hardcastle
6.30pm Evening Worship Paul McVittie
Prayer Ministry is available after this Service

Cummersdale

10.40am Morning Worship Wendy Downey

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. There are also invitations for you to take to invite people to the Acoustic Cafe and Quiz nights.

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.

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.

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 Mary Hetherington and her family following the death of Mary's Father and the family and friends of David Murray.

S A I N T J A M E S ' C H U R C H C U M M E R S D A L E

Holy Communion
10.40am, Sunday, 22th 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.

Welcome and Notices

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

All the way my Saviour leads me;
what have I to ask beside?
Can I doubt His tender mercy,
who through life has been my guide?
Heavenly peace, divinest comfort,
here by faith in Him to dwell!
For I know whate'er befall me,
Jesus doeth all things well.

All the way my Saviour leads me,
cheers each winding path I tread,
gives me grace for every trial,
feeds me with the living bread.
Though my weary steps may falter,
and my soul a-thirst may be,
gushing from the rock before me,
Lo! a spring of joy I see.

All the way my Saviour leads me,
O the fulness of His love!
Perfect rest to me is promised
in my Father's house above.
When my spirit, clothed, immortal,
wings its flight to realms of day,
this, my song through endless ages:
Jesus led me all the way!

Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, so that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. 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

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.

Collect for the Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Song

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....

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.....

Intercessions

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, as our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

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.**

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

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.

**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 is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Song

(During the singing of this song there will be a collection to support Christian mission and ministry through St. James'.
If you are a guest or visitor please feel free to pass the plate along)

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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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.**

Closing Prayer and Blessing

Forgive us our sins,
As we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom,
the power and the glory
now and for ever. Amen.

The Grace

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all evermore. Amen.

The Apostles' 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 Pontius 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.

Reading:

1 John chapter 4 verses 7 - 21 (Page 1227)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Christian family – likenesses & longings: love

A Time of reflection while we listen to a CD:

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 –
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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

**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 maybe
to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts
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