

Post Communion Prayer

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

INTERCESSIONS

Please pray for:-

- **the sick, and those who care for them** including Fiona Rose
- **those who have lit candles and those for whom candles have been lit**
- **those who have recently died** including Fr.Simon Holden CR, Geoff Otterburn and Jennifer Baxandall
- **those whose anniversary of death falls at this time** including Jack Fisher (Priest), Geoffrey Lawn (Priest), Frances May Fisher, Eva Walker, Sarah Plowman and Jean Ayling

NOTICES

Mothers' Union Thursday, 28th February, 12 for 12.30 pm Annual Lunch - at Crossways

Reminder There are forms on the table at the back of Church for nominations of Churchwardens and PCC members. Please give completed forms to Lesley Jaram.

World Day of Prayer

Friday, 1st March, 2 pm at the United Reformed Church

This service is organised and led by members of the Parish Church. We are also responsible for providing refreshments. If you can bring a cake and/or can help serve the tea and cake, please sign the list at the back of the church. Cakes will need to be brought to the church in good time before the service, please. Thank you. THIS IS A SERVICE AT WHICH EVERYONE IS WELCOME.

For more information, please ask Hazel Page

Preparation of new Electoral Roll

Under the Church Representation Rules a new Electoral Roll will have to be prepared this year. Everyone must complete a form if they wish to be included on this new Roll (even if your name is on the existing Roll). Forms will be available in the back of church, together with a box in which the completed forms can be left. The deadline for inclusion on this new Electoral Roll is *Sunday, 24 March 2019* and all completed forms must be returned by this date. Any queries please contact Gillian Pritchett, Electoral Roll Officer.

Pancake Coffee Morning Join us in the Parish Hall for our annual Pancake coffee morning on *Shrove Tuesday, 5th March*. Serving homemade pancakes with various toppings, plus tea & coffee. This is a free event although donations will be greatly received. Everyone welcome.

100 Club The winner of the draw this month is Brian Stockley (No. 18). If you would like to become a member please have a word with David Billett or Ali Holmes.

Please send any notices for next week's pew sheet by Wednesday to

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SERVICES FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING

SUNDAY, 24th FEBRUARY, 2019

At 8 o'clock the readings for Sexagesima can be found in the Prayer Book. At 10 o'clock we use the printed service booklet.

Sunday, 24th February

The Second Sunday before Lent

8.00 am Holy Communion
9.00 am Holy Communion *at Levisham*
10.00 am Parish Eucharist
6.00 pm Evensong

Monday, 25th February

12.00 noon Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Geoff Otterburn

Wednesday, 20th February

10.00 am Holy Communion

Sunday, 3rd March

The Sunday next before Lent

8.00 am Holy Communion
10.00 am Parish Eucharist
6.00 pm Evensong

Please have a word with a sidesperson before the service if you require a gluten free wafer

The flowers on the high altar have been given by Valerie Batchelor with thanksgiving and love for family and friends

It would be helpful, please, if you could stack the pew cushions where directed after the service whilst work is going on in the nave. Thank you.

READINGS AND PROPERS

Collect

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever. **Amen**

First Reading: Genesis 2. 4b-9, 15-end

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground— then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. Out of the ground the Lord God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.'

Then the Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.' So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, 'This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken.' Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

Psalm 65

Response: *Happy are they whom you choose to dwell in your courts*

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; to you that answer prayer shall vows be paid. To you shall all flesh come to confess their sins; when our misdeeds prevail against us, you will purge them away. R

Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there. We shall be satisfied with the blessings of your house, even of your holy temple. R

With wonders you will answer us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation, O hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas. In your strength you set fast the mountains and are girded about with might. R

You still the raging of the seas, the roaring of their waves and the clamour of the peoples. Those who dwell at the ends of the earth tremble at your marvels; the gates of the morning and evening sing your praise. R

You visit the earth and water it; you make it very plenteous. The river of God is full of water; you prepare grain for your

people, for so you provide for the earth. R

You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; you soften the ground with showers and bless its increase. You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths overflow with plenty. R

May the pastures of the wilderness flow with goodness and the hills be girded with joy. May the meadows be clothed with flocks of sheep and the valleys stand so thick with corn that they shall laugh and sing. R

Second Reading: Revelation 4

After this I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, 'Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.' At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! And the one seated there looks like jasper and cornelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God; and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal.

Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing, 'Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty, who was and is and is to come.'

And whenever the living creatures give glory and honour and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives for ever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives for ever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing, 'You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honour and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.'

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 8. 22-25

One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'