



Where all find a welcome and are nurtured in their journey with Christ.

# Sung Eucharist

The first Sunday after Trinity



**'The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath;  
so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath.'**

# Welcome to St Mary's

## Support our work

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If you would like to donate to support us you can give during the service as giving plates are passed around. Alternatively, you can place your offering on the plate by the door as you leave or tap your contactless card or device.

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If you'd like to give in some other way, find out more about planned giving, or learn how we use donations then please ask a member of our team.

## Hearing loop available

Our church is fitted with an inductive loop system which can be picked up by setting hearing aids to the "T" position.

## Follow the instructions of our stewards

Please follow all instructions from our stewards, especially during communion.



## **Please sanitise your hands**

Please clean your hands using the provided hand sanitiser when entering and leaving the building.



## **Digital order of service available**

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## **Handshakes optional**

When we offer each other a sign of peace you're welcome to share a handshake, but remember that some people may not be comfortable with this and will instead simply nod or wave.



## **Communion is your choice**

Communion is available as both bread and wine, but if you wish to only receive the bread please do so and then return to your seat. Receiving only the bread is still considered to be full communion by the Church of England.



## **Masks welcome**

If you feel more comfortable wearing a face covering, please do so. If you've forgotten a face covering and would like one, please speak to a member of our team.

## **Upcoming services**

### **Said Eucharist**

Wednesday 5 June at 10.00 am

### **Compline by Candlelight**

Wednesday 5 June at 8.30 pm

### **Choral Evensong in Commemoration of the 300th Anniversary of the Birth of John Smeaton**

Saturday 8 June at 5.00 pm

### **Sung Eucharist for the second Sunday after Trinity**

Sunday 9 June at 10.00 am

### **Messy Church**

Sunday 9 June at 4.00 pm

## **A prayer for vacancy**

Heavenly Father, Good Shepherd of all,  
we give you thanks and praise  
that your call to this ministry has been answered.  
Holy Spirit, encourage and inspire Claire  
as she prepares to serve you in this parish;  
open our arms and our hearts  
that she might find a warm welcome;  
and guide us all to nurture each other  
as we journey together with Christ.  
Amen

# **Notices**

## **Church Cleaning**

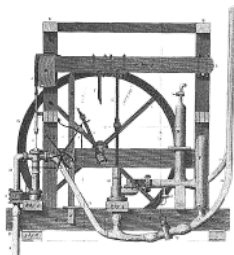
**Wednesday 5 June at 10.30 am**

**St Mary's Church, Whitkirk**

Help us keep our Grade I listed church looking smart and tidy – if you can spare an hour on a Wednesday morning then why not come along and join our monthly clean? We'll provide everything you need, from dusters to refreshments!

## **Join us after the service for refreshments**

You are warmly invited to join us after the service for refreshments in our Community Centre.



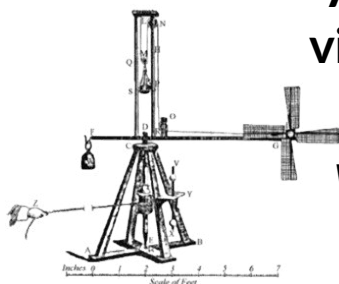
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birth of  
John Smeaton



June  
7th, 8th, 9th

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# The Gathering

*Our worship begins at the sound of the bell, please stand as the sacred ministers enter, during which the introit hymn is sung.*

**God is working his purpose out  
As year succeeds to year.  
God is working his purpose out,  
And the day is drawing near.  
Nearer and nearer draws the time,  
The time that shall surely be,  
When the earth shall be filled with the glory of God  
As the waters cover the sea.**

**How can we do the work of God,  
How prosper and increase  
Harmony in the human race  
And the reign of perfect peace?  
What can we do to urge the time,  
The time that shall surely be,  
When the earth shall be filled with the glory of God  
As the waters cover the sea.**

**March we forth in the strength of God,  
His banner is unfurled;  
Let the light of the gospel shine  
In the darkness of the world:  
Strengthen the weary, heal the sick  
And set ev'ry captive free,  
That the earth shall be filled with the glory of God  
As the waters cover the sea.**

**All our efforts are nothing worth  
Unless God bless the deed;  
Vain our hopes for the harvest tide  
Till he brings to life the seed.  
Yet ever nearer draws the time,  
The time that shall surely be,  
When the earth shall be filled with the glory of God  
As the waters cover the sea.**

*Words: Arthur Campbell Ainger (1841-1919)*

*adapted by Michael Forster (1946-2023)*

*Music: Millicent Kingham (1866-1894) in 'Church Hymns' (1903)*

*Hymn Tune: BENSON*

In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## **The Greeting**

Welcome in the name of Christ.  
God's grace, mercy and peace be with you  
**and also with you.**

## **Words of Welcome**



# Invitation to Confession

As we prepare to celebrate the mystery of God's love,  
revealed in Word and Sacrament,  
let us call to mind our sins.

*Silence is kept.*

**Father eternal, giver of light and grace,  
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour,  
in what we have thought,  
in what we have said and done,  
through ignorance, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We have wounded your love,  
and marred your image in us.  
We are sorry and ashamed,  
and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past;  
and lead us out from darkness  
to walk as children of light.  
Amen.**

May the Father of all mercies  
cleanse us from our sins,  
and restore us in his image  
to the praise and glory of his name,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

# **Gloria in Excelsis**

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.**

# The Collect

*The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray'.*

God of truth,  
help us to keep your law of love  
and to walk in ways of wisdom,  
that we may find true life  
in Jesus Christ your Son.

**Amen.**

*Please sit.*

# The Liturgy of the Word

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

The Lord says this:

Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out

from there with a mighty hand and an  
outstretched arm; therefore the Lord your God  
commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

*Deuteronomy 5.12-15*

This is the word of the Lord.

### **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as the gradual hymn is sung. During the hymn a procession will make its way to the centre of the nave from where the Gospel for the day is read. To symbolise our desire to turn to Christ in our daily lives, at the end of the hymn we remain standing and turn to face the place where the Gospel is proclaimed.*

**Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.**

**Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.**

**To all life thou givest, to both great and small;  
In all life thou livest, the true life of all;  
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,  
And wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.**

**Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;  
All laud we would render, O help us to see  
'Tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.**

*Words: Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908)*

*based on 1 Timothy 1.17*

*Music: Welsh traditional hymn melody (1839)*

*Hymn Tune: SAINT DENIO*

## **Gospel Reading**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

One sabbath Jesus was going through the cornfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, 'Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?' And he said to them, 'Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions.' Then he said to them, 'The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath.'

Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, 'Come forward.' Then he said to them, 'Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?' But they were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, 'Stretch out your hand.' He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

*Mark 2.23-3.6*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Sermon**

*Please sit after the preacher leads us in prayer.*

## **Affirmation of faith**

*Please stand with the president.*

Let us declare our faith  
in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Christ died for our sins  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he was buried;  
he was raised to life on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
afterwards he appeared to his followers,  
and to all the apostles:  
this we have received,  
and this we believe.  
Amen.**

*cf 1 Corinthians 15.3-7*

## **Prayers of Intercession**

*Following an invitation to pray from the intercessor we kneel or sit to pray and  
the response to the bidding is:*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

*Then at the end:*

Merciful Father,

**accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

*Please stand with the president.*

## **The Liturgy of the Sacrament**

### **The Peace**

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace.  
If we live in the Spirit, let us walk in the Spirit.

*cf Galatians 5.22,23*

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

### **Preparation of the Table**

*The table is prepared, and bread and wine are placed upon it.*

*A hymn is sung. During this hymn a collection, our financial offering in support of the work of the church both at St. Mary's and across our diocese, is taken.*



You can place cash or giving envelopes on the collection plates as they are passed around. If you would prefer, or if you miss the plate, you can also give by scanning this QR code, or by tapping your contactless card or device on the giving plate by the door as you leave.



**I danced in the morning  
When the world was begun,  
And I danced in the moon  
And the stars and the sun,  
And I came down from heaven  
And I danced on the earth;  
At Bethlehem  
I had my birth.**

*Dance, then, wherever you may be;  
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.  
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,  
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he.*

**I danced for the scribe  
And the pharisee,  
But they would not dance  
And they wouldn't follow me;  
I danced for the fishermen,  
For James and John;  
They came with me  
And the dance went on:**

*Dance, then, wherever you may be; ...*

**I danced on the Sabbath  
And I cured the lame:  
The holy people  
Said it was a shame.  
They whipped and they stripped  
And they hung me high,  
And they left me there  
On a cross to die:**

*Dance, then, wherever you may be; ...*

**I danced on a Friday  
When the sky turned black;  
It's hard to dance  
With the devil on your back.  
They buried my body  
And they thought I'd gone;  
But I am the dance  
And I still go on:**

*Dance, then, wherever you may be; ...*

**They cut me down  
And I leapt up high;  
I am the life  
That'll never, never die;  
I'll live in you  
If you'll live in me:  
I am the Lord  
Of the Dance, said he:**

***Dance, then, wherever you may be; ...***

*Words & Music: Sydney Bertram Carter (1915-2004)  
(Music adapted from a traditional Shaker melody)  
Hymn Tune: LORD OF THE DANCE*

## **Taking of the Bread and Wine**

Wise and gracious God,  
you spread a table before us;  
nourish your people with the word of life  
and the bread of heaven.

**Amen.**

## **The Eucharistic Prayer (F)**

*Please sit. The refrain is sung.*

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 thanks and praise.**

You are worthy of our thanks and praise,

Lord God of truth,

for by the breath of your mouth

you have spoken your word,

and all things have come into being.

You fashioned us in your image

and placed us in the garden of your delight.

Though we chose the path of rebellion

you would not abandon your own.

Again and again you drew us into your covenant of grace.

You gave your people the law and taught us by your prophets

to look for your reign of justice, mercy and peace.

As we watch for the signs of your kingdom on earth,

we echo the song of the angels in heaven,

evermore praising you and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,**

**God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord God, you are the most holy one,  
enthroned in splendour and light,  
yet in the coming of your Son Jesus Christ  
you reveal the power of your love  
made perfect in our human weakness.

**Amen. Lord, we believe.**

Embracing our humanity,  
Jesus showed us the way of salvation;  
loving us to the end,  
he gave himself to death for us;  
dying for his own,  
he set us free from the bonds of sin,  
that we might rise and reign with him in glory.

**Amen. Lord, we believe.**

On the night he gave up himself for us all  
he took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

**Amen. Lord, we believe.**

In the same way, after supper  
he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying:  
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant  
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

**Amen. Lord, we believe.**

Therefore we proclaim the death that he suffered on the cross,  
we celebrate his resurrection, his bursting from the tomb,  
we rejoice that he reigns at your right hand on high  
and we long for his coming in glory.

**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

As we recall the one, perfect sacrifice of our redemption,  
Father, by your Holy Spirit let these gifts of your creation  
be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;  
form us into the likeness of Christ  
and make us a perfect offering in your sight.

**Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

Look with favour on your people  
and in your mercy hear the cry of our hearts.  
Bless the earth,  
heal the sick,  
let the oppressed go free  
and fill your Church with power from on high.

**Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

Gather your people from the ends of the earth  
to feast with Blessed Mary and all your saints  
at the table in your kingdom,  
where the new creation is brought to perfection  
in Jesus Christ our Lord;  
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.

**Amen, Amen, Amen.** (*Sung*)

*Silence is kept.*

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

**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.**

## **Breaking of the Bread**

*The president breaks the consecrated bread.*

We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

*The **Agnus Dei** is sung as the bread is broken for distribution.*

**Jesus, Lamb of God,  
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins,  
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world,  
grant us peace.**

## **Invitation to Communion**

God's holy gifts  
for God's holy people.

**Jesus Christ is holy,  
Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.**

*The president and people receive communion. All baptised Christians are welcome to receive the sacrament. Please follow the guidance offered by the stewards.*



*If you are not baptised, or would prefer to not receive, then do still come forward for a blessing bringing this book with you so the president knows your intention.*

*The sacrament is available in both kinds, however if you wish to only receive the bread please do so and then return to your place. Receiving in one kind is still considered to be full communion by the Church of England. Please do not dip bread in the wine (sometimes called 'intincting').*

*To the words "The Body/Blood of Christ" the communicant replies "**Amen**".*

*For those at home it might be helpful to use this prayer during the distribution.*

***God of light and power and glory, we rejoice in your light,  
we live by your power, we look for your glory.***

***Open our eyes to behold your presence,  
that we may give ourselves to you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God for ever and ever.***

***Amen.***

## Choir Anthem

### 'There's a wideness in God's mercy'

There's a wideness in God's mercy,  
Like the wideness of the sea;  
There's a kindness in his justice,  
Which is more than liberty.

There is no place where earth's sorrows  
Are more felt than up in heav'n;  
There is no place where earth's failings  
Have such kindly judgement giv'n.

For the love of God is broader  
Than the measure of man's mind;  
And the heart of the Eternal  
Is most wonderfully kind.  
But we make his love too narrow  
By false limits of our own;  
And we magnify his strictness  
With a zeal he will not own.

There is plentiful redemption  
In the blood that has been shed;  
There is joy for all the members  
In the sorrows of the Head.  
There is grace enough for thousands  
Of new worlds as great as this;  
There is room for fresh creations  
In that upper home of bliss.

If our love were but more simple  
We should take him at his word;  
And our lives would be all gladness  
In the joy of Christ our Lord.

*Words: Frederick William Faber (1814-1863)*

*Music: Maurice Bevan (1921-2006)*

*The following communion hymns may be sung during the distribution as time allows. Please remain seated.*

**Teach me, my God and King,  
In all things thee to see;  
And what I do in anything  
To do it as for thee.**

**A man that looks on glass,  
On it may stay his eye;  
Or, if he pleaseth, through it pass,  
And then the heav'n espy.**

**All may of thee partake;  
Nothing can be so mean  
Which, with this tincture, 'For thy sake',  
Will not grow bright and clean.**

**A servant with this clause  
Makes drudgery divine;  
Who sweeps a room, as for thy laws,  
Makes that and the action fine.**

**This is the famous stone  
That turneth all to gold;  
For that which God doth touch and own  
Cannot for less be told.**

*Words: George Herbert (1593-1633)*

*Music: English traditional carol  
from William Sandys' "Christmas Carols" (1833)*

*Hymn Tune: SANDYS*

**I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
My hand will save.  
I who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?**

***Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.***

**I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them.  
They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
Give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them.  
Whom shall I send?**

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.*

**I, the Lord of wind and flame,  
I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them.  
My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide  
Till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them.  
Whom shall I send?**

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.*

*Words: Daniel Laurent Schutte (b. 1947) based on Isaiah 6  
Music: Daniel Laurent Schutte (b. 1947)*

# The Post Communion Prayer

*Please stand with the president who introduces a time of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray'.*

Eternal Father,  
we thank you for nourishing us  
with these heavenly gifts:  
may our communion strengthen us in faith,  
build us up in hope,  
and make us grow in love;  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**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.**

*A hymn is sung.*

**Father, Lord of all creation,  
Ground of Being, Life and Love,  
Height and depth beyond description  
Only life in you can prove:  
You are mortal life's dependence:  
Thought, speech, sight are ours by grace;  
Yours is ev'ry hour's existence,  
Sov'reign Lord of time and space.**

**Jesus Christ, the Man for Others,  
We, your people, make our prayer:  
Help us love – as sisters, brothers –  
All whose burdens we can share.  
Where your name binds us together  
You, Lord Christ, will surely be;  
Where no selfishness can sever  
There your love the world may see.**

**Holy Spirit, rushing, burning  
Wind and flame of Pentecost,  
Fire our hearts afresh with yearning  
To regain what we have lost.  
May your love unite our action,  
Nevermore to speak alone:  
God, in us abolish faction,  
God, through us your love make known.**

*Words: Stewart Cross (1928-1989)  
Music: Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907-1991)  
Hymn Tune: ABBOT'S LEIGH*

# The Dismissal

## The Blessing

The peace of God,  
which passes all understanding,  
keep your hearts and minds  
in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

## The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**









## Our regular services

Sung Eucharist:	Every Sunday at 10.00 am
Said Eucharist:	Every Wednesday at 10.00 am
Choral Evensong:	Next on Saturday 8 June at 5.00 pm
Compline:	Next on Wednesday 5 June at 8.30 pm


## Contact us

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