



# A very warm Welcome to Worship - Sunday 28th April (5th Sunday of Easter)



If you are visiting with us today, please introduce yourself to the 'welcomers' at the back of the church who will be able to help you with any queries you may have.

If you receive Holy Communion in your own church, you are warmly invited to receive it here.

**Gluten-Free wafers** are available – if you require a gluten-free wafer, please make a 'welcomer' aware before the service who will inform the clergy.

**Intinction** – For hygiene purposes and in line with the guidelines from our Diocesan Bishop, we do not allow intinction (dipping wafer into wine). Receiving the Sacrament in 'bread' alone is sufficient to receive Holy Communion.

If you have any **mobility issues** the clergy are happy to bring communion to you in your pew – please let a 'welcomer' or churchwarden know. In the same way, if you feel you need to, please feel free to **sit down at any point** during the service.



# **APCM - TUESDAY 30th APRIL**

Knaresborough Team Ministry APCM will take place at Holy Trinity Church at 7.00 pm on Tuesday 30th April. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

The Annual Church report and accounts for 2023 are now on the website. Paper copies are in the back of all churches.

# SONGS OF PRAISE SERVICE -SUNDAY 28th APRIL at ST JOHN'S

Unfortunately we will not be able to provide lunch after todays service at St John's - Tea and Coffee will be served as usual. We look forward to seeing you all.



## BREARTON FUNDRAISING CONCERT 10th MAY - 7.30pm

St John's Choir and friends will be holding a fundraising concert in **Brearton Village Hall**. There will be no admission charge, but donations towards the cost of a new piano will be gratefully received.



# LOCAL CHURCHES

You're invited to join the network of local churches covering our community, nation and world in 24/7 prayer.

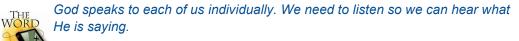
7pm Sunday I2th May to 7pm Sunday I9th May 7 days leading up to Pentecost

at Life Destiny Church, 93b High St, Starbeck, HG2 7LH

BOOK A TIME IN THE PRAYER ROOM pray.24-7prayer.com/signup/885546

🕑 24-7 PRAYER





TODAYS BIBLE READINGS (The Fifth Sunday of Easter)

Acts 8. 26-end - Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: 'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.' The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?' Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?' He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

1 John 4.7-end - Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment. and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, 'I love God', and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

**John 15. 1-8** - 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you.

Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

#### Collect

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.** 

#### Post Communion

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**.

### We hold in our prayers (as at 22nd April):

The ongoing conflicts in Ukraine, Sudan and Palestine.

King Charles III, Catherine, Princess of Wales and all the royal family. Our Diocese, Bishops, Churches & Clergy.

Our local schools, especially for St John's CofE and Goldsborough CofE primaries. We pray for the NHS; care homes, businesses and charities;

Our mission partners: New Life Ghana and Azaria & David Pocasangre, CMS workers in Guatemala. Our loved ones and friends.

Those who have asked for prayer: (we keep names on for 4 weeks until asked to remove or placed on again) Ken Ramsbottom<sup>3</sup> ,Mellon Horsell<sup>4</sup>, Judy Sturley<sup>4</sup>, Mildred Davy<sup>4</sup>

> Those who have recently died: Derek Munt, Alan Storer

Those whose anniversary of death we keep:

Denzil Morris, Jean Morland, June Dobby, Jose Brown, Bishop Frank Weston, Elizabeth Jones, Doreen MacCormack, Michael Isaacs, Michael Bone, William Windsor, Margaret Cockerill, Terry Horner.

## THIS WEEKS DIARY ....

TUESDAY 30th APRIL 7.00 pm - Holy Trinity, Knaresborough - APCM

### WEDNESDAY 1st MAY

10.00 am - Holy Trinity, Knaresborough - BCP Holy Communion 11.00 am - St John's Church, Knaresborough - BCP Holy Communion

### SUNDAY 5th MAY

8.00 am - St John's Church, Knaresborough - BCP Holy Communion
9.00 am - St Mary's Church, Goldsborough - CW Holy Communion
10.30 am - St John's Church, Knaresborough - School Sanctuary Week with Choir
10.30 am - Holy Trinity, Knaresborough - CW Holy Communion
10.30 am - St Paul & St Margarets, Nidd - BCP Holy Communion
4.00 pm - St John's Church, Knaresborough - Wholeness and Healing Service

#### ACCORD Parish Magazine

For all notices, news and what's going on in the Knaresborough Team Ministry pick up a copy of ACCORD Parish Magazine from the back of church for only £2!

CAFÉ CHURCH AT THE HUB@ST JOHN'S- Held on the first Friday of the month, 10.30am - 12noon. All are welcome to this informal gathering for coffee, cake, chit-chat and prayer.

TRINITY TEAS - Held on the first Sunday of the month from 12noon until 4pm - selling delicious homemade lunches and afternoon teas. We look forward welcoming friends old and new.

MESSY VINTAGE CHURCH AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH HALL - Held on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 11am. A new way of doing church differently. We have discussions on a variety of topics, creative expression, a short act of worship and celebration finished with a simple lunch. All are invited.

This weeks list of needed items - Sugar, Tinned Meats, Table Sauces, Long-life Juice, Shampoo, Jam, Milk Powder, Honey, Peanut Butter, Cat and Dog Food The Knaresborough Foodbank is open every Wednesday for Food Collections (referral only) and donations, 10.30am until 12.30pm at Holy Trinity Church Hall. There is a red box at the back of St John's where you can leave donations. There are also two boxes at Holy Trinity for donations - one in the church and another in the hall. Thank vou.

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PASTORAL CARE - TELEPHONE CALLS Our Pastoral Telephone Team are still there to support you. If you, or anyone you know would like to receive a weekly 'phone call from our friendly team,

please contact June on 07759 619780 or Anthea on 01423 797560.



**ONLINE COMPLINE (NIGHT** PRAYER) 9PM Online Compline will be said every Sunday at 9pm. Details at www.niddchurch.info/compline

PASTORAL VISITS - If you would like a visit from one of the Clergy, or if you are aware of someone that you feel would benefit or appreciate a call or visit from a member of the Pastoral Visiting Team, then please contact us either via the office (01423 869209, Knaresboroughparishoffice@gmail.com) or direct Revd Garry (07759 614032, garry.hinchcliffe@leeds.anglican.org), Revd Lisa (07526 769193, lisa.holland@leeds.anglican.org.

#### OFFICE CONTACT DETAILS

Mrs Faye Wright (Parish Administrator & Safeguarding Officer) Parish office telephone: 01423 869209 (Office open Monday - Thursday, 8.30am - 1.30pm) Parish office email: knaresboroughparishoffice@gmail.com



SAFEGUARDING - For any gueries or concerns contact Fave Wright (Parish Safeguarding Officer) at knaresboroughparishoffice@gmail.com Call 01423 869209/07415 009217

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