A caring church where all are welcome to know the Peace and Love of God

The Parish of Bardsey with East Keswick

The Parish Church of All Hallows, Bardsey, and The Church of Saint Mary Magdalene East Keswick

Order of Service for Holy Communion Tenth Sunday after Trinity, 24th August 2025 10.00am All Hallows Church, Bardsey We welcome Revd. Anna Wallis today

We sing: Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise (A&M 199)

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 praise we would render, O help us to see 'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

Walter Charmers Smith, 1824-1908

The Greeting (please remain standing)

Minister: Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord

Jesus Christ be with you

All: And also with you

Prayer of Preparation

All:

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, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer of Penitence

Minister:

God the Father forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy Spirit. Let us therefore put away all anger and bitterness, all slander and malice, and confess our sins to God our redeemer.

All:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.

We are truly sorry 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 grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

Minister:

May almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Prayer for Today

Minister:

Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us the patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Bible Readings for Today

A reading from the book of Isaiah (58:9b-14)

"Remove the heavy yoke of oppression.

Stop pointing your finger and spreading vicious rumours!

¹⁰ Feed the hungry, and help those in trouble. Then your light will shine out from the darkness, and the darkness around you will be as bright as noon. ¹¹ The Lord will guide you continually, giving you water when you are dry and restoring your strength. You will be like a well-watered garden, like an ever-flowing spring.

¹² Some of you will rebuild the deserted ruins of your cities.

Then you will be known as a rebuilder of walls and a restorer of homes.

¹³ "Keep the Sabbath day holy.

Don't pursue your own interests on that day, but enjoy the Sabbath and speak of it with delight as the Lord's holy day. Honour the Sabbath in everything you do on that day, and don't follow your own desires or talk idly.

14 Then the Lord will be your delight.

I will give you great honour and satisfy you with the inheritance I promised to your ancestor Jacob. I, the Lord, have spoken!"

This is the word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

A reading from the book Hebrews (12:18-29)

¹⁸ You have not come to a physical mountain, to a place of flaming fire, darkness, gloom, and whirlwind, as the Israelites did at Mount Sinai. ¹⁹ For they heard an awesome trumpet blast and a voice so terrible that they begged God to stop speaking. ²⁰ They staggered back under God's command: "If even an animal touches the mountain, it must be stoned to death." ²¹ Moses himself was so frightened at the sight that he said, "I am terrified and trembling."

²² No, you have come to Mount Zion, to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to countless thousands of angels in a joyful gathering. ²³ You have come to the assembly of God's firstborn children, whose names are written in heaven. You have come to God himself, who is the judge over all things. You have come to the spirits of the righteous ones in heaven who have now been made perfect. ²⁴ You have come to Jesus, the one who mediates the new covenant between God and people, and to the sprinkled blood, which speaks of forgiveness instead of crying out for vengeance like the blood of Abel.

²⁵ Be careful that you do not refuse to listen to the One who is speaking. For if the people of Israel did not escape when they refused to listen to Moses, the earthly messenger, we will certainly not escape if we reject the One who speaks to us from heaven! ²⁶ When God spoke from Mount Sinai his voice shook the earth, but now he makes another promise: "Once again I will shake not only the earth but the heavens also." ²⁷ This means that all of creation will be shaken and removed, so that only unshakable things will remain.

²⁸ Since we are receiving a Kingdom that is unshakable, let us be thankful and please God by worshiping him with holy fear and awe. ²⁹ For our God is a devouring fire.

This is the word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God

We Sing: Lead us Heavenly Father Lead us (A&M 224)

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us o'er the world's tempestuous sea; Guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us, for we have no help but thee; yet possessing every blessing, if our God our Father be.

Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us: All our weakness thou dost know; Thou didst tread this earth before us, Thou didst feel its keenest woe; Lone and dreary, faint and weary, through the desert thou didst go.

Spirit of our God, descending, fill our hearts with heavenly joy, Love with every passion blending, pleasure that can never cloy: Thus provided, pardoned, guided, nothing can our peace destroy.

J. Edmeston (1791-1867)

The Gospel reading for today (please remain standing)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (13:10-17)

All: Glory to you O Lord

¹⁰ One Sabbath day as Jesus was teaching in a synagogue, ¹¹ he saw a woman who had been crippled by an evil spirit. She had been bent double for eighteen years and was unable to stand up straight. ¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Dear woman, you are healed of your sickness!" ¹³ Then he touched her, and instantly she could stand straight. How she praised God!

¹⁴ But the leader in charge of the synagogue was indignant that Jesus had healed her on the Sabbath day. "There are six days of the week for working," he said to the crowd. "Come on those days to be healed, not on the Sabbath."

¹⁵ But the Lord replied, "You hypocrites! Each of you works on the Sabbath day! Don't you untie your ox or your donkey from its stall on the Sabbath and lead it out for water? ¹⁶ This dear woman, a daughter of Abraham, has been held in bondage by Satan for eighteen years. Isn't it right that she be released, even on the Sabbath?"

¹⁷ This shamed his enemies, but all the people rejoiced at the wonderful things he did.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Address (please be seated)

Affirmation of Faith (please stand)

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Minister: In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us sit

or kneel to pray to the Father

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

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

The Peace (please stand)

Minister: We are all one in Christ Jesus.

We belong to him through faith,

heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All: And also with you.

Minister: Let us offer one another a sign of peace

We sing: Just as I Am (MP 132)

Just as I am, without one plea, but that thy blood was shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, and waiting not, to rid my soul of one dark blot, to thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, tho' tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt, fightings within and fears without, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, poor wretched, blind. Sight, riches, healing of the mind, yea all I need, in thee to find, O lamb of God I come.

Just as I am, thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, thy love unknown, hath broken every barrier down. Now, to be thine, yea thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come.

Charlotte Elliott 1789-1871

The Eucharistic Prayer (please sit or kneel)

Minister: The Lord be with you **All:** and also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give thanks and praise.

Minister: It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,

always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father,

almighty and eternal God.

From sunrise to sunset this day is holy, for Christ has risen from the tomb and scattered the darkness of death with light that will not fade. This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people, unfolds for us your word, and makes

himself known in the breaking of the bread.

And though the night will overtake this day you summon us to live in endless light, the never-ceasing sabbath of the

Lord.

And so, with choirs of angels and with all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join their unending song of

praise and saying:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the

highest.

Minister: Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness

grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,

and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed,

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. 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.

Great is the mystery of faith

All: Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

Minister:

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through 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**

Minister: Rejoicing in the presence of God here among us, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

All: 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 for ever. Amen.

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

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

Minister: Draw near with faith.

Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he gave

for you, and his blood which he shed for you.

Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you,

and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

All: 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.

You are most welcome to come to the altar rail to take communion. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, carry this service sheet with you.

The Post-Communion Prayer

Minister: God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of

mercy should stand open for those who trust in you:

look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All: Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

We sing: To God Be the Glory (MP 248)

To God be the glory, great things He hath done, so loved He the world that He gave us His Son, who yielded His life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice! O come to the Father through Jesus the Son, and give Him the glory, great things He hath done.

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, to ev'ry believer the promise of God; the vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Praise the Lord...

Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; but purer, and higher, and greater will be, our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

Praise the Lord...

Frances Van Alstyne 1820-1915

Minister: The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

All: In the name of Christ, Amen

Please stay for refreshments after this service.

Services for August/September

(All services could be subject to change please check website)

Sun 31st Aug: 10am Joint Parish HC, SMM Wed 3rd Sep: 11am Holy Communion, SMM

Sun 7th Sep: 10am Songs of Praise Creation Service, AH

Please note we are an inclusive parish - a church which celebrates and affirms every person and does not discriminate.

Calling all knitters!

BabyBasics are in desperate need of knitted baby blankets (& any knitted baby clothes are welcome too). If you would like to help they ask that blankets are tight knit and have no holes for little fingers to get stuck through. Neutral colours are best! Please drop any completed items at the Parish Office.

The Art of Faith

From Wednesday 10th September, Churches Together in East Keswick & Bardsey are holding a weekly discussion group on the Art of Faith to look behind the scenes of religious art. It is being held at East Keswick Methodist Church at 7pm. All welcome to attend.

St Aidan's FoodShare

Supplies are running very low and donations are desperately needed. You can donate "in date" food items at the Callister Hall.

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