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 Morning Worship, Twenty First Sunday after Trinity, 25 October 2026 10.30am, St Mary Magdalene

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We sing: Hail to the Lord's Anointed (A&M 142 omitting vs 2&4)

Hail to the Lord's Anointed;
Great David's greater Son!
Hail, is the time appointed
His reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression,
To set the captive free,
To take away transgression,
And rule in equity.

He shall come down like showers
Upon the fruitful earth:
Love, joy, and hope like flowers,
Spring in His path to birth:
Before Him on the mountains,
Shall peace the herald go;
And righteousness in fountains,
From hill to valley flow.

Kings shall fall down before Him,
And gold and incense bring;
All nations shall adore Him,
His praise all people sing;
To Him shall prayer unceasing
And daily vows ascend;
His kingdom still increasing,
A kingdom without end.

O'er every foe victorious,
He on His throne shall rest;
From age to age more glorious,
All-blessing and all-blest.
The tide of time shall never
His covenant remove;
His name shall stand forever
His changeless name of love.

James Montgomery 1771-1864 CCLI: 714723/1307134

Introduction

Minister: Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: and also with you.

Confession

All: Lord God, we have sinned against you; we have done evil in your sight. We are sorry and repent. Have mercy on us according to your love. Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin. Renew a right spirit within us and restore to us the joy of your salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

All: Amen.

Minister: Let everything be said and done in the name of the Lord Jesus,

All: giving thanks to God through Jesus Christ.

Minister: Sing psalms, hymns and sacred songs:

All: let us sing to God with thankful hearts.

Minister: Open our lips, Lord:

All: and we shall praise your name.

Bible Readings for Today

Psalm 1

1 Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked
or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers,

2 but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law, day and night.

3 That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither— whatever they do prospers.

4 Not so the wicked! They are like chaff that the wind blows away.

5 Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.

6 For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked leads to destruction.

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

A reading from the Book of Leviticus (19:1-2,15-18)

The Lord said to Moses, 2 "Speak to the entire assembly of Israel and say to them: 'Be holy because I, the Lord your God, am holy. 15 "'Do not pervert justice; do not show partiality to the poor or favouritism to the great, but judge your neighbour fairly. 16 "'Do not go about spreading slander among your people. "'Do not do anything that endangers your neighbour's life. I am the Lord. 17 "'Do not hate a fellow Israelite in your heart. Rebuke your neighbour frankly so you will not share in their guilt. 18 "'Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against anyone among your people, but love your neighbour as yourself. I am the Lord.

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

A reading from Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians (2:1-8)

You know, brothers and sisters, that our visit to you was not without results. 2 We had previously suffered and been treated outrageously in Philippi, as you know, but with the help of our God we dared to tell you his gospel in the face of strong opposition. 3 For the appeal we make does not spring from error or impure motives, nor are we trying to trick you. 4 On the contrary, we speak as those approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel. We are not trying to please people but God, who tests our hearts. 5 You know we never used flattery, nor did we put

on a mask to cover up greed—God is our witness. 6 We were not
looking for praise from people, not from you or anyone else, even
though as apostles of Christ we could have asserted our authority.
7 Instead, we were like young children among you. Just as a nursing
mother cares for her children, 8 so we cared for you. Because we loved
you so much, we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel
of God but our lives as well.

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

We sing: Abba Father, Let Me Be (on screen)

Abba Father, let me be
Yours and Yours alone
May my will forever be
Ever more Your own
Never let my heart grow cold
Never let me go
Abba Father, let me be
Yours and Yours alone

Abba Father, let me be
Yours and Yours alone
May my will forever be
Ever more Your own
Never let my heart grow cold
Never let me go
Abba Father, let me be
Yours and Yours alone

A Gospel reading from the book of Matthew (22.34-46)

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

34 Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got
together. 35 One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this
question: 36 "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?"
37 Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with
all your soul and with all your mind.' 38 This is the first and greatest
commandment. 39 And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbour as
yourself.' 40 All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two
commandments." 41 While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus
asked them, 42 "What do you think about the Messiah? Whose son is
he?"

“The son of David,” they replied. 43 He said to them, “How is it then that
David, speaking by the Spirit, calls him ‘Lord’? For he says, 44 “‘The
Lord said to my Lord: “Sit at my right hand until I put your enemies
under your feet.”’ 45 If then David calls him ‘Lord,’ how can he be his
son?” 46 No one could say a word in reply, and from that day on no one
dared to ask him any more questions.

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

Sermon

We sing: Firmly I Believe and Truly (A&M 118)

Firmly I believe and truly
God is Three and God is One;
and I next acknowledge duly
Manhood taken by the son.

And I trust and hope most fully
in that Manhood crucified;
and each thought and deed unruly
do to death, as he has died.

Simply to his grace and wholly
light and life and strength belong,
and I love supremely, solely,
him the holy, him the strong.

And I hold in veneration,
for the love of him alone,
holy church as his creation,
And her teachings as his own.

Adoration ay be given,
with and through the angelic host,
to the God of earth and heaven,
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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Apostle’s Creed

All: 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.

Prayers

Ending with…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.**

Prayer for Today

Leader: Merciful God, teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty that trusting in your word and obeying your will we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord**. Amen**.

We sing: How Can I Keep from Singing (on screen)

My life flows on in endless song,
above earth's lamentation.
I catch the sweet, though far-off
hymn that hails a new creation.

No storm can shake my inmost
calm while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Love is lord of eav'n and
earth, how can I keep from singing?

Through all the tumult and the
strife, I hear that music ringing.
It finds an echo in my soul.
How can I keep from singing?

No storm can shake my inmost
calm while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Love is lord of heav'n and
earth, how can I keep from singing?

What though my joys and comforts die, I know my Saviour liveth. What though the darkness gather round? Songs in the night he giveth.

No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging. Since Love is lord of heav'n and earth, how can I keep from singing?

The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing! All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing?

No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging. Since Love is lord of heav'n and earth, how can I keep from singing?

Blessing

Leader: 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**

Please stay for refreshments after this service.

Services in November

Sunday 1st: 11am Patronal Festival, All Hallows followed by lunch

Wednesday 4th: 11am HC, SMM

Sunday 8th: Remembrance Sunday
8am HC, AH
10.45am HC, AH

Sunday 15th: 10.30am HC, SMM

Sunday 22nd: 8am HC, AH
10.30am MW, AH

Sunday 29th: Advent Sunday, 10.30am HC, SMM

Memorial Service
The Memorial Service is this afternoon at 3pm at All Hallows. All welcome to attend.

Patronal Festival
Please come along and celebrate at All Hallows on Sunday 1st November at 11am, followed by lunch. If you can contribute a dessert for the lunch, please let the Parish Office or Jacquie know.

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