

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, Twelfth Sunday after
Trinity, 23 August 2026 10.30am, All Hallows

We sing: Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken (A&M 172)

Glorious things of thee are
spoken, Zion, city of our God;
he, whose word cannot be
broken, formed thee for His own
abode. On the Rock of Ages
founded, what can shake thy
true repose? With salvation's
walls surrounded, thou may'st
smile at all thy foes.

See, the streams of living
waters, springing from eternal
love, well supply thy sons and
daughters, and all fear of want
remove. Who can faint while
such a river ever flows their
thirst to assuage? Grace which,
like the Lord the Giver, never
fails from age to age?

Round each habitation hovering
see the cloud and fire appear
for a glory and a covering,
showing that the Lord is near.
Thus they march, the pillar
leading, light by night and
shade by day; daily on the
manna feeding, which he gives
them when they pray.

Saviour, if of Zion's city, I
through grace a member am, let
the world deride or pity; I will
glory in thy name. Fading is the
worldling's pleasure, all his
boasted pomp and show; solid
joys and lasting treasure, none
but Zion's children know.

John Newton 1725-1807 Isaiah 33.20-21
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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 124:

¹ If the Lord had not been on our side—
let Israel say—

² if the Lord had not been on our side
when people attacked us,

³ they would have swallowed us alive
when their anger flared against us;
⁴ **the flood would have engulfed us,
the torrent would have swept over us,**
⁵ the raging waters
would have swept us away.
⁶ **Praise be to the Lord,
who has not let us be torn by their teeth.**
⁷ We have escaped like a bird
from the fowler's snare;
the snare has been broken,
and we have escaped.
⁸ **Our help is in the name of the Lord,
the Maker of heaven and earth.**

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

A reading from the Book of Isaiah (51:1-6)

"Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness and who seek the Lord: Look to the rock from which you were cut and to the quarry from which you were hewn; ² look to Abraham, your father, and to Sarah, who gave you birth. When I called him he was only one man and I blessed him and made him many. ³ The Lord will surely comfort Zion and will look with compassion on all her ruins; he will make her deserts like Eden, her wastelands like the garden of the Lord. Joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the sound of singing. ⁴ "Listen to me, my people; hear me, my nation: Instruction will go out from me; my justice will become a light to the nations. ⁵ My righteousness draws near speedily, my salvation is on the way, and my arm will bring justice to the nations. The islands will look to me and wait in hope for my arm. ⁶ Lift up your eyes to the heavens, look at the earth beneath; the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment and its inhabitants die like flies. But my salvation will last forever, my righteousness will never fail.

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

A reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans (12:1-8)

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. ² Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will. ³ For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you. ⁴ For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, ⁵ so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. ⁶ We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; ⁷ if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; ⁸ if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

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

We sing: Be Still and Know, that I am God (MP 16)

Be still and know that I am God.

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A Gospel reading from the book of Matthew (16:13-20)

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³ When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" ¹⁴ They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets." ¹⁵ "But what about you?" he

asked. "Who do you say I am?" ¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." ¹⁷ Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." ²⁰ Then he ordered his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Sermon

We sing: Father Hear the Prayer We Offer (MP 43)

Father, hear the prayer we offer:
Not for ease that prayer shall be,
But for strength, that we may
ever live our lives courageously.

Not for ever in green pastures
Do we ask our way to be: But by
steep and rugged pathways
would we strive to climb to Thee.

Not for ever by still waters
would we idly quiet stay; But
would smite the living fountains
from the rocks along our way.

But our strength in hours of
weakness, in our wanderings be
our guide; through endeavour,
failure, danger, Father, be Thou
at our side.

Let our path be bright or dreary,
storm or sunshine be our share;
May our souls, in hope unweary,
make Thy work our ceaseless
prayer.

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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: God of constant mercy, who sent your son to save us: remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, that our thankfulness may grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We sing: All My Hope on God is Founded (A&M 336)

All my hope in God is founded;	guideth, only good and only
he doth still my trust renew. Me	true. God unknown he alone
through change and chance he	calls my heart to be his own.

Pride of man and earthly glory,
Sword and crown betray his
trust; what with care and toil he
buildeth, tower and temple, fall
to dust. But God's power, hour
by hour, is my temple and my
tower.

God's great goodness aye
endureth, deep his wisdom,
passing thought: splendour,
light and life attend him, beauty
springeth out of naught.
Evermore from his store
new-born worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth th' Almighty giver
bounteous gifts on us bestow;
his desire our soul delighteth,
pleasure leads us where we go.
Love doth stand at his hand;
joy doth wait on his command.

Still from man to God eternal
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of Christ his Son.
Christ doth call one and all:
ye who follow shall not fall.

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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 August/September

Sun 30 th August	10.30am HC, AH
Wed 2 nd September	11.00am HC, SMM
Sun 6 th September	10.30am HC, AH

Sun 13 th September	8.00am HC, AH 10.30am Family Service, SMM
Sun 20 th September	8.00am HC, AH 10.30am HC SMM
Sun 27 th September	11.00am Harvest Festival, AH followed by lunch.

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

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