

Carol Service

Our wonderful Scout group will again be leading our Carol service on Wednesday 18th December from 6.30 p.m. As before, we are having refreshments in the hall afterwards and a few stalls to raise much needed funds for church. There will be a raffle, tombola and cake stall. so donations towards these would be most welcome.

Leaflets

There are some leaflets at the back of church advertising events we hold at church. Please take some to deliver to neighbours and local addresses if you are able.

Christmas Pillar Box

The pillar box will be in church throughout Advent. Any donations will be sent to the Martin House Hospice.

Planned Giving Envelopes

The envelopes for 2025 are at the back of church. Please take yours. If there isn't one for you and you would like one, please see Hilary.

Invitation to support Winter Shelter at St John's Clayton

Each winter a network of local churches participate in the Winter Shelter for the homeless, run by Inn Churches, offering food and shelter to up to 12 homeless guests each evening, who would otherwise be sleeping rough on the streets of Bradford. St John's Clayton is hosting the winter shelter from Monday 27 January - Monday 3 February 2025. It takes a lot of volunteers to man across the week - last year 56 volunteers got involved across local churches in West Bradford. See the poster at the back if you are interested in volunteering to help, and any enquiries to Stephen Wood, Winter Shelter Coordinator, stevezwood@gmail.com, 07944 680859

Sunday 1st December 2024

Advent Sunday

Service: Holy Communion

Hymns:

358; 14; 15; 98

Welcome to St. Saviour's Church

(www.stsavioursfwg.org.uk)

Interim Priest-in-Charge:

Vacant

Interim Associate Minister

Revd Philippa Slingsby-Lunn (tel.07916 715659)

Assistant Curate

Revd. Daniel Furlong (tel: 07749 941348)

Churchwardens:

Mrs. Grace Studholme;

Mr. John Ratnik

Children in Church

Children are most welcome to our services.

Refreshments

Please join us for refreshments in the hall after this service

Please take this service sheet home with you

Collect of the Day (*Advent Sunday*)

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Exodus 15:1-21

¹Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the Lord:

‘I will sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously; horse and rider he has thrown into the sea. ² The Lord is my strength and my might, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father’s God, and I will exalt him. ³ The Lord is a warrior; the Lord is his name.

⁴ ‘Pharaoh’s chariots and his army he cast into the sea; his picked officers were sunk in the Red Sea. ⁵The floods covered them; they went down into the depths like a stone. ⁶Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power— your right hand, O Lord, shattered the enemy.

⁷ In the greatness of your majesty you overthrew your adversaries; you sent out your fury, it consumed them like stubble.

⁸ At the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up, the floods stood up in a heap; the deeps congealed in the heart of the sea. ⁹ The enemy said, “I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil, my desire shall have its fill of them. I will draw my sword, my hand shall destroy them.” ¹⁰ You blew with your wind, the sea covered them; they sank like lead in the mighty waters.

¹¹ ‘Who is like you, O Lord, among the gods? Who is like you, majestic in holiness, awesome in splendour, doing wonders? ¹² You stretched out your right hand, the earth swallowed them. ¹³ ‘In your steadfast love you led the people whom you redeemed; you guided them by your strength to your holy abode.

¹⁴ The peoples heard, they trembled; pangs seized the inhabitants of Philistia. ¹⁵ Then the chiefs of Edom were dismayed; trembling seized the leaders of Moab; all the inhabitants of Canaan melted away. ¹⁶ Terror and dread fell upon them; by the might of your arm, they became still as a stone until your people, O Lord, passed by,

until the people whom you acquired passed by. ¹⁷ You brought them in and planted them on the mountain of your own possession, the place, O Lord, that you made your abode, the sanctuary, O Lord, that your hands have established. ¹⁸The Lord will reign for ever and ever.’

¹⁹ When the horses of Pharaoh with his chariots and his chariot drivers went into the sea, the Lord brought back the waters of the sea upon them; but the Israelites walked through the sea on dry ground.

²⁰ Then the prophet Miriam, Aaron’s sister, took a tambourine in her hand; and all the women went out after her with tambourines and with dancing. ²¹And Miriam sang to them:

‘Sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously; horse and rider he has thrown into the sea.’

Post Communion (*Advent Sunday*)

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Pease pray for all on our prayer list: Dermot, Eric and Wendy, Doreen, Ivan, Pauline, Tracy, Keretha and Simon, Billy and anyone known to you

Activities for the week

Today	10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion
	11.30 a.m.	Philippa’s leaving meal
Monday	11.00 a.m.	Holy Communion at Crossley House
Tuesday 3rd	12 noon	Knit ‘n’ Natter
	6.00 p.m.	Beaver Scouts
	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. James’s
Wednesday 4th	2.45 p.m.	Prime Time Junior
	6.30 p.m.	Cub Scouts
	7.30 p.m.	Scouts and Explorers
Sunday 8th	10.00a.m.	Holy Communion