

Activities for the week

<u>Today</u>	10.00a.m.	Holy Communion
<u>Tuesday 26th</u>	12noon	Knit & Natter
	7.30p.m.	Adult Tap Dancing
<u>Wednesday 27th</u>	9.30a.m.	Holy Communion
	6.15p.m.	Cub Scouts
<u>Thursday 28th</u>	9.30a.m.	Morning Prayer
	6.00p.m.	Beaver Scouts
	7.30p.m.	Scouts
<u>Saturday 30th</u>	.30a.m.	Garden Tidy
<u>Sunday 1st July</u>	9.30a.m.	Holy Communion
	10.30a.m.	All Age Worship

Summer Fair

The Summer Fair will be on Saturday 14th July from 12noon till 2.00p.m. There will be a Grand Raffle and among the prizes will be a Yorkshire Hamper; items for the hamper would be very much appreciated.

There are some posters at the back of church promoting the Fair. Please take one if you are able to put it in a local shop, surgery or similar.

Raffle tickets are now available; Grace will be happy to supply some.

Garden Tidy

Weather permitting, we are hoping to tidy/prune/cut back the shrubs in the church garden on Saturday 30th June. Please come and help if you are able, and bring shears, pruners, trimmers etc. as well as bags for the clippings if you have any. Thank you.

20th Century Society

The Yorkshire branch of the 20th Century Society are paying us a visit on Saturday 7th July at 3pm to admire our building. If anyone would like to come to welcome them and/or make some tea, please have a word with Patrick. Thank you.

Sunday 24th June 2018

Birth of John the Baptist

Service: Holy Communion

Hymns

457; 454; 478 (omit v2); 5 & 201; 153

Welcome to St. Saviour's Church

(www.stsavioursfwg.org.uk)

Vicar:

The Revd. Dorothy Stewart

Churchwardens:

Mrs. Grace Studholme; Mr. Patrick Preston

Children in Church

Children are most welcome to our services. There is a children's corner at the back of church, with books, toys and colouring sheets for those children too young to sit in the pews.

Refreshments.

Please join us for refreshments in the hall after the service

Please take this service sheet home with you

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, by whose providence your servant John the Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of your Son our Saviour by the preaching of repentance: lead us to repent according to his preaching and, after his example, constantly to speak the truth, boldly to rebuke vice, and patiently to suffer for the truth's sake; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Isaiah 40.1-11

¹ Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. ² Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins. ³ A voice cries out: 'In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. ⁴ Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. ⁵ Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.'

⁶ A voice says, 'Cry out!' And I said, 'What shall I cry?' All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field. ⁷ The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the LORD blows upon it; surely the people are grass. ⁸ The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand for ever. ⁹ Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, 'Here is your God!'

¹⁰ See, the Lord GOD comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. ¹¹ He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

Galatians 3.23-29

²³ Before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. ²⁴ Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵ But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶ for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷ As many of you as were

baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ; ²⁸ There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! **Alleluia!**

You, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way.

Alleluia!

Luke 1.57-66, 80

⁵⁷ The time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son. ⁵⁸ Her neighbours and relatives heard that the Lord had shown his great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her. ⁵⁹ On the eighth day they came to circumcise the child, and they were going to name him Zechariah after his father. ⁶⁰ But his mother said, 'No; he is to be called John.' ⁶¹ They said to her, 'None of your relatives has this name.'

⁶² Then they began motioning to his father to find out what name he wanted to give him. ⁶³ He asked for a writing-tablet and wrote, 'His name is John.' And all of them were amazed. ⁶⁴ Immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue freed, and he began to speak, praising God. ⁶⁵ Fear came over all their neighbours, and all these things were talked about throughout the entire hill country of Judea.

⁶⁶ All who heard them pondered them and said, 'What then will this child become?' For, indeed, the hand of the Lord was with him. ⁸⁰ The child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the wilderness until the day he appeared publicly to Israel.

Post-communion

Merciful Lord, whose prophet John the Baptist proclaimed your Son as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world: grant that we who in this sacrament have known your forgiveness and your life-giving love may ever tell of your mercy and your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.