Welcome

We welcome the Revd. Pam Coles as our preacher and Celebrant this morning.

Trip

Lucinda, the group's Mission Apprentice, is considering organising an outing if there is enough support. Please can you sign the sheet at the back of church if you would be interested in a mini-bus trip to the seaside or somewhere at some future date.

Flowers

The flower fund is rather depleted, so Kaaren would be most grateful for contributions. Thank you!

Thy Kingdom Come

The final event of the Thy Kingdom Come week is the Pentecost Praise service at St. James's, Thornton, at 7.00 p.m. this evening.

Invitation to New Joy BBQ

New Joy Church are holding a BBQ and worship service on Sunday 25th June, 2pm start. Rather than hold our own summer fayre this year, we are joining with them, as they will be sending invites round the community, and this is one way we can join together rather than do separate things. We have volunteered to bring some cakes, so if you'd like to join and bring something, please do!

Focus Group Update

Following the Focus Groups that were started in February, then were put on hold for a bit, the PCC has agreed an updated plan. We will pick up the important conversation of where we go next as a church with a series of monthly Focus Groups, on the 4th Sunday of each month Letters will go out to all on the Electoral Roll, explaining more - or if you are not on the Electoral Roll, please do pick up a copy of the letter from the back of church.

Dates for your diary - 25th June; 23rd July; 27th August; 24th September; 22nd October; 26th November; 28th January.

10.00 a.m. start; 11.15 a.m. finish - come early for Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m.

Sunday 28th May 2023

Pentecost

Service: Holy Communion

Hymns: 69; 371;

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Interim Priest-in-Charge:

Revd Canon Vaughan Pollard (tel. 01274 883000)

Interim Associate Minister

Revd Philippa Slingsby-Lunn (tel. 07916 715659)

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 the service.

Please take this service sheet home with you

Collect of the Day

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Acts 2.1-21

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.

³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each.

⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs - in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.'

¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?'

¹³ But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷ "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and

your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. ²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

John 20.19-23

¹⁹ It was evening on the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.'

²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

²¹ Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'

²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

Post-communion

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Activities for the week

Today	10.00am	Holy Communion
	7.00 p.m.	Pentecost Praise at St. James's,.
Tuesday 30th	12 noon	Knit 'n' Natter
Wednesday 24th	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. James's
Sunday 4th June	10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion

Please continue to pray for those on our prayer list: Vaughan, Wendy and Eric, Simon and Keretha, Pauline, Doreen, Pauline, Iris, Dennis Tracy and anyone known to you.

Holy Communion – offering the common cup

At the May PCC a discussion was had about returning to using the common cup at Holy Communion. We recognised that being able to receive wine from the common cup is a central part of Anglican theology, and we would like to return to doing it. The guidelines from the Church of England have allowed this for over a year now, in line with the removal of all other methods of control (e.g. no masks, no social distancing, no restrictions of any kind any more). We will be offering the common cup at Holy Communion, but at the same time we know that some people will not want to receive in this way, so we will also offer a second chalice, continuing to intinct wafers.

This is how it will work -2 chalices, one for receiving wine as pre-covid, one for intinction (dipping wafer in). There will be some small cards on the front pew, if you do NOT want to drink the wine and receive a intincted wafer instead, pick up a card and place it next to you on the altar rail. The priest will then dip a wafer in the second chalice for you.

This is intended to allow space for people to receive in both ways, according to your preference. Please be patient as we start doing this and figure out how to do it smoothly!

Special licensing service

You are invited to join a special licensing service on Sunday 18th June, 4pm at St Francis Hall Allerton (Greenway Drive, BD15 7YZ).

With the pending arrival of Daniel Furlong, the new curate, in July, and with Vaughan soon retiring, there has been some creative thinking to enable Daniel to be trained and supported well. Harry Gwinnett at St James' Thornton is going to be overseeing Daniel's curacy, supported by Philippa supervising across Clayton, Allerton and Fairweather Green. As such Philippa and Harry are being given additional temporary licenses to these parishes (Philippa to Thornton and Harry to the others). These are not incumbent/vicar roles, just supporting roles to the curacy.

Please do come along and join as Bishop Toby takes the service.

New curate arriving in July 2023

Daniel Furlong looks forward to serving his curacy across St John's Clayton, St Peter's & St Francis Allerton, St Saviour's Fairweather Green and St James' Thornton, and the new friends he will make there. He trained for ministry at St Hilds as a Full-Time Contextual Ordinand, allowing him to grow and learn in the parish of Girlington, Heaton and Manningham. Prior to that, he had the privilege of working for Christians Against Poverty for eleven years. He will be moving to the parish with his wife Jo and children Ariela and Ezra. As a family they can usually be spotted scrambling to the top of a hill, moor or mountain while studiously ignoring the footpath, and on warmer days will be investigating rivers and streams. If they aren't intentionally getting lost in the real world, then they are probably getting lost in a good book.

Ordination details: Saturday 1st July, 11am, at Bradford Cathedral. There is some unreserved seating if anyone would like to go in support of Daniel. This is on a first-come-first-served basis, so get there early if you hope to be there! Doors open from 10am.

Please pray for them as they prepare to move house. Pray especially for Ariela and Ezra, that school places in Clayton would get sorted for September. For Daniel as he prepares to be ordained, and that together they would weather this change as a family well.

