

Welcome

We welcome Revd Denise Poole as officiant this morning.

Councillors' Surgery

Our local Councillors will be holding a surgery in our hall from 9.30 to 10.30 a.m. on Saturday 18th November. Do go along to see them if you have any issues to discuss.

Dabble Day

The next Dabble Day will be on Wednesday 6th December from 11.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m., Coffee/tea is served from 10.30 a.m. More information later

Planned Giving Envelope Boxes.

We have recycled some old boxes to save money (and the planet!) Please make sure you take one and let Carrie or Hilary know your new number. It would also help to fill in a Gift Aid declaration so we know for whom we can and can't reclaim tax.

Shoebox Appeal

Lucinda, the group's Mission Apprentice, has provided some boxes for us to support the Samaritan's Purse Christmas Shoebox Appeal, which we supported for many years. Do take one if you can fill it - or share with one or two others to spread the cost. **THE DEADLINE IS NEXT SUNDAY = 19TH NOVEMBER**

Meditative Service

The last in the series of short, meditative services at St. John's entitled "Be still, and know that I am God" is on Sundays 26th November at 6.30 p.m.

Thursday morning prayers

There will be weekly prayers for the 4 parishes in our group on Thursday mornings, 9am on zoom. All welcome to join. Use login: 996-9646-3899, password: 662291. Or link: <https://us05web.zoom.us/j/99696463899?pwd=NzZFNjVIYUtQQm50MHVSQUhNQ2twZz09>. Pick up a prayer booklet in church to use as we pray.

Focus Group Update

Details of what we talked about last month, are on the noticeboard at the back of church.. Please also take one of the question sheets for next month from the noticeboard, as it helps us to think through things ahead of time. Dates for your diary - 26th November; **21st January (change of date)**, 25th February 10.00 a.m. start; 11.15 a.m. finish - come early for Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m

Sunday 12th November 2023

Third Sunday before Advent/ Remembrance



Service: Holy Communion

Hymns:

366; 174; 139; 114; 177

Welcome to St. Saviour's Church

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Interim Priest-in-Charge:

Vacant

Interim Associate Minister

Revd Philippa Slingsby-Lunn (*tel. 07916 715659*)

Interim 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 the service.

Please take this service sheet home with you.

Collect of the Day (*3rd Sunday before Advent*)

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the king of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

1 Thessalonians 4.13-18

¹³ We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴ For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died.

¹⁵ For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died.

¹⁶ For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷ Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever.

¹⁸ Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Matthew 25.1-13

Jesus spoke this parable to the disciples:

¹ The kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ² Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. ³ When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; ⁴ but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps.

⁵ As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. ⁶ But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him."

⁷ Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. ⁸ The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out."

⁹ But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves."

¹⁰ And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut.

¹¹ Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us."

¹² But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you."

¹³ Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.'

Post-communion (*3rd Sunday before Advent*)

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Activities for the week

Today	10.00am	Holy Communion
..	11.30 a.m.	PCC in choir vestry
	3.00 p.m.	Remembrance Service at Ladyhill Park
Tuesday 14th	12 noon	Knit 'n' Natter
	6.00 p.m.	Beaver Scouts
Wednesday 15th	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. James's
	3.00 p.m.	Cook & Eat
	6.30 p.m.	Cub Scouts
	7.30 p.m.	Scouts and
Saturday 18th	9.30 a.m.	Councillors' surgery in hall
Sunday 19th	10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion

Please continue to pray for all on our prayer list: Wendy and Eric; Simon and Keretha, Pauline, Doreen, Dennis, Tracy, Philippa, Rosemary, Dermot and anyone known to you.