



The Benefice of Harden, Wilsden, Cullingworth, Denholme

23rd August 2020 11th Sunday after Trinity

A Benefice Service of the Word

Welcome and introduction.

Greeting

Let us worship God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

God in Christ has revealed his glory

All Come let us worship

From the rising of the sun to its setting

All the Lord's name is greatly to be praised.

Give him praise, you servants of the Lord.

All O praise the name of the Lord.

We have come together in the name of Christ

To offer our praise and thanksgiving,

To hear and receive God's holy word,

To pray for the needs of the world

And to seek the forgiveness of our sins

That by the power of the Holy Spirit

We may give ourselves to the service of God.

Opening Prayer

Loving God, we have come to worship you

All Help us to pray to you in faith,

To sing your praise with gratitude

And to listen to your word with eagerness;

Through Christ our Lord,

Amen.

Hymn

*Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the Risen Lord
Alleluia, Alleluia, give praise to his Name*

1. Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
He is the King of creation.
2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
Jesus has died and risen.
3. We have been crucified with Christ.
Now we shall live for ever.
4. God has proclaimed the just reward:
“Life for us all, alleluia!”
5. Come, let us praise the living God,
Joyfully sing to our Saviour.

Prayers of penitence

**God of mercy,
We acknowledge that we are sinners.
We turn from the wrong
that we have thought and said and done,
And are mindful of all that we have failed to do.
For the sake of Jesus who died for us,
Forgive us all that is past,
And help us to live each day
In the light of Christ our Lord.Amen.**

May Almighty God,
who sent his Son into the world to save sinners,
bring you his pardon and peace, now and forever. **Amen.**

Praise response

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised,
All there is no end to his greatness

One generation shall praise your works to another
All and shall declare your power.

All your works praise you, Lord,
All and your faithful servants bless you.

They make known the glory of your Kingdom
All and speak of your power.

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord:
All let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever.

(cf Psalm 145: 3,4,10-12)

First reading: 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. 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.

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. For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. 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; if it is serving, then serve; if

it is teaching, then teach; 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

Second reading: Matthew 16:13-20

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say the Son of Man is?”

They replied, “Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”

“But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?”

Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.”

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. 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. 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.” 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

Hymn

There is a redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah
Holy One
*Thank you, O my Father for giving us Your Son
And leaving Your Spirit, 'til the work on Earth is done*

Jesus my redeemer, Name above all names
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah
O, for sinners slain
Thank you, O my Father ...

When I stand in glory, I will see His face
And there I'll serve my King forever
In that Holy Place
*Thank you, O my Father ...
Thank you, O my Father ...*

Talk - Mavis

Affirmation of Faith

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist?

All We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again?

All We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?

All We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

All This is our faith.
We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Prayers of Intercession led by Beverly Hurst

The prayers include this response

Lord, hear us

All Lord, graciously hear us

The prayers end with

Merciful Father,

All accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour, Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Collect (a special prayer for today)

God of glory,
the end of our searching,
help us to lay aside
all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom,
and to give all that we have
to gain the pearl beyond all price,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Hymn

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
Tender to me the promise of his word;
In God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
His mercy sure, from age to age the same;
His holy name, the Lord, the mighty One.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by;
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
The hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
To children's children and forever more!

Closing prayer

All In darkness and in light,
in trouble and in joy,
help us, heavenly Father,
to trust your love,
to serve your purpose,
and to praise your name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Blessing

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
All In the name of Christ. Amen.

Next Sunday, 30 August 2020 is the fifth Sunday of the month:

10.30am United Benefice Service on Zoom

**We will be hearing about the work of
Inn Churches and praying for their ministry.**

