

PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS

Please Pray for **Sri Lanka No 44 on the World Watch List** –The Christian minority is partly tolerated, but converts to Christianity are not. The main sources of persecution are radical Buddhist movements. They claim Sri Lanka as a Buddhist nation. Please pray for Pastors who are mocked and harassed for conducting services, and for legal protection for Churches being bullied by the Authorities.

Manna House charity is co-ordinating the Kendal winter shelter again this year, from 19th November until 10th March. Items needed for this include, backpacks, men's walking boots/ sturdy shoes, men's waterproof jackets/warm coats, men's joggers, men's deodorant, coffee, tea, sugar, cooking oil, UHT milk, tins tomatoes and baking ingredients. All donations will be gratefully received in church from Sunday 25th November. Thank you.

Quiet Day-Thursday 6th December 2018 at Glenthorne Guest House, Grasmere-See noticeboard for details and sign-up sheet.

Staveley Choral Society- Christmas Concert 10th December 2018 at 7.30 pm.

This Week:

Enquiries: (Tel: 44596) The Parish Office is open Monday to Thursday 9.00 am – 12.30 pm.

MORNING PRAYER: : This week at 8am Monday–Thursday. A quiet & helpful way to begin the day.

Monday 3rd December

10.00 am Italian Class-Upper Room
4.30 pm Rainbows/Brownies
7.00 pm St Mary's PCC-Upper Room

Tuesday 4th December

10.00 am Little Pips
5.45 pm Quiet Space

Wednesday 5th December

10.00 am Holy Communion with Coffee Time
2.00 pm Funeral-James Wright RIP

Thursday 6th December

9.30 am Quiet Day at Glenthorne Hotel
1.00 pm Elleray School in church-Rehearsal

Next Sunday: 9th Dec 2018

Second Sunday of Advent

8.00 am Holy Communion (CW)
11.00 am Sunday Celebration

The Word.... *...This Week* **Welcome:**

**2nd
December
2018**



First Sunday of Advent

8.00 am Holy Communion (CW)
11.00 am Advent Carols
3.30 pm Advent Workshop

Today's Music:

- O come, O come, Emmanuel
- Come, thou long expected Jesus
- Hail to the Lord's anointed
- The angel Gabriel from heaven came
- How lovely on the mountains are the feet of Him
- Awake, awake: fling off the night
- Lo, he comes with clouds descending

If you are a visitor to Windermere or this is the first time you have worshipped with us, do make yourself known to one of the Sidesmen. We hope you will find this worship helpful and enjoyable and that you will join us again. You are warmly invited to join us for Coffee etc. after the 11.00am Service.

At Holy Communion, Gluten Free Wafers are available – please see Wardens & Sidesmen if this would be helpful.

Our Purpose:

We are here to help everyone to know and grow in the love of God through prayer, worship, teaching and service.

Our Vision:

A thriving, growing Christian community.

From our Book of Remembrance

Mary Hazel, Dorothy W. Cotterell,
Emily Walker, George Mackay,
Elizabeth Shelton, Cicely Thornton,
Gladys Kitching, John Swainson,
Marjorie Martindale, Albert F.J. Love,
Nicholas Glenwright.

The First Reading Revelation 1:4b-8 p752

A Reading from the Book of Revelation

4 John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne,⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood,⁶ and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

⁷ Look! He is coming with the clouds;

every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth
will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

8 'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Second Reading John 18:33-37 p753

A reading from the Gospel of John

33 Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?'³⁴ Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?'³⁵ Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?'³⁶ Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.'³⁷ Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'

Holy Land Pilgrimage: 21-30 November

2019. Our Christian tradition holds dear the practice of making pilgrimages as experiences of learning, conversion and transformation. None is more significant than walking in the footsteps of Jesus in the Holy Land. The 2019 "Come and See" pilgrimage will be led by The Revd Jonathan Gillespie and The Revd Annie Church, in partnership with *Lightline Pilgrimages*. We begin along the shores of Galilee in places like Capernaum, Magdala, and Cana, then cross the plain of Armageddon, past Mount Tabor and the Jordan baptism site, to Nazareth, Bethlehem and Jerusalem, before concluding our journey in Qumran and the Dead Sea. We will also encounter the contemporary scene and culture, including the West Bank barrier and the Palestinian community in Hebron. Everything is included in the price: British Airways flights; full-board accommodation in exclusive locations on Galilee, in Manger Square and within the ancient walls of Jerusalem; all entrance fees, taxes and gratuities; travel in air-conditioned tourist coaches; and an English-speaking guide with individual radio headsets. The pace will be steady, not hurried, and we will take time to gather and worship daily in places such as Mount Beatitudes, the Shepherd's Field and Gethsemane. Please speak to Jonathan for further details.

This week you are invited to pray for:

- The residents of Patterdale Road and Rayrigg Road
- Carers and Community Health Staff