

PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS PRAYER GROUP:

Wednesdays- 2.30pm Bangladesh: Bangladesh rose more places on the 2017 World Watch List than any other country. Violence is increasing, with four Christians murdered last year by militant Islamists. Believers from a Muslim background are especially vulnerable. Pray for their protection.

ENCORE OPERA GROUP: Thursday 3rd August 7pm. Entrance £10 includes refreshments. tickets on sale from the Parish Office or pay on the door.

FOR YOUR DIARY: 'JANE EYRE' comes to Windermere: Daniel Wilmot's York-based theatre company Baron Productions are bringing their new adaptation of Charlotte Brontë's 'Jane Eyre' to St. Mary's, Windermere as part of their summer tour. The show will begin its run in July at the Network Theatre in London, followed by other venues in York, Durham & Hitchin; arriving in Windermere on **Friday the 18th August**. The performance @ 7:30pm (doors open: 7pm), tickets £12/£9 concessions, available via www.ticketsource.co.uk/baron-productions or on the door. After Windermere, the tour will then conclude in Haworth, hometown of the Brontë sisters.

KENDAL BIG BAND CONCERT: Saturday 30th September 7.30pm (Doors open at 7pm). Entrance £10 includes refreshments. Pay on the door.

M.U. STRAWBERRY TEA: Thank you to M.U. members and to EVERYONE who organized or helped to make our Strawberry Tea a happy, successful afternoon. It was certainly a very busy one but it was good to hear the buzz in church as people relaxed and enjoyed 'catching up' with each other. We raised £900 - £450 for M.U. work in this country and overseas and £450 for our church funds. Many thanks for all your support and hard work. Thea and Mothers' Union members.

This Week:

Enquiries: (Tel: 44596) The Parish Office is open Monday to Wednesday 9.00am-3.30pm
E-Mail: office@stmaryswindermere.co.uk

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

Monday 17th July

OFFICE THIS MORNING

4.30pm Rainbows and Brownies –
Harrison Room
7.00pm Troutbeck Village Association

Tuesday 18th July

10.00am Little Pips
5.45pm Quiet Space
2.00pm FUNERAL: Dorothy Walwork RIP

Wednesday 19th July

10.00am Holy Communion & Coffee
2.30pm Persecuted Christians Prayer Time
7.00pm REFRESH: Upper Room

This week you are invited to pray for:

- Those who live in Oakthwaite Road
- Our Organists
- Staff & pupils at our local schools as they begin their Summer break

The Word... ...This Week

16th
July
2017



Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

| | |
|---------|--|
| 8.00am | Holy Communion (CW) |
| 9.30am | Holy Communion (CW) at Jesus Church Troutbeck |
| 11.00am | Sunday Celebration |
| 6.00pm | Evensong |

Today's Music:

| | | |
|-------------|-----|--------------------------|
| Introit | 413 | Lord of all hopefulness |
| Gradual | 161 | Father hear the prayer |
| Offertory | 609 | Songs of thankfulness |
| Communion | 114 | Come down O love divine |
| Recessional | 474 | Now thank we all our God |
| Organist: | | Denis Aldersea |

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.

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.

Next Sunday: 23rd July

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

| | |
|---------|--|
| 8.00am | Holy Communion (CW) |
| 9.30am | Matins (BCP) at Jesus Church. Troutbeck |
| 11.00am | Sunday Celebration |
| 6.00pm | Songs of Praise at Jesus Church |

The First Reading

Isaiah 55.10-13 p305

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, 11 so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. 12 For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. 13 Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Psalm 26

**R: The Lord sits enthroned as king
for evermore.**

Ascribe to the Lord, you powers of heaven,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name;
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

**R: The Lord sits enthroned as king
for evermore.**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders;
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
The voice of the Lord is mighty in operation;
the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.

**R: The Lord sits enthroned as king
for evermore.**

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
He makes Lebanon skip like a calf
and Sirion like a young wild ox.

**R: The Lord sits enthroned as king
for evermore.**

The voice of the Lord splits the flash of lightning;
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe
and strips the forests bare;
in his temple all cry, 'Glory!'

**R: The Lord sits enthroned as king
for evermore.**

The Lord sits enthroned above the water flood;
the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.
The Lord shall give strength to his people;
the Lord shall give his people
the blessing of peace.

**R: The Lord sits enthroned as king
for evermore.**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the
beginning is now and shall be for ever.
Amen**

The Gospel Reading

Matthew 13:1-23

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord
Jesus Christ according to Matthew*

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. 2 Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. 3 And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. 4 And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. 5 Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. 6 But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. 7 Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. 8 Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. 9 Let anyone with ears listen!' 10 Then the disciples came and asked him, 'Why do you speak to them in parables?' 11 He answered, 'To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given. 12 For to those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. 13 The reason I speak to them in parables is that "seeing they do not perceive, and hearing they do not listen, nor do they understand." 14 With them indeed is fulfilled the prophecy of Isaiah that says: "You will indeed listen, but never understand, and you will indeed look, but never perceive. 15 For this people's heart has grown dull, and their ears are hard of hearing, and they have shut their eyes; so that they might not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and understand with their heart and turn— and I would heal them." 16 But blessed are your eyes, for they see, and your ears, for they hear. 17 Truly I tell you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see, but did not see it, and to hear what you hear, but did not hear it. 18 'Hear then the parable of the sower. 19 When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. 20 As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; 21 yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. 22 As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. 23 But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

From our Book of Remembrance:

This week we remember: Peggy Holland, Gladys Griffiths George Mossop, Edward Mallinson, and Margaret Watson.