

THE PARISH CHURCH OF
SAINT PAUL
GRANGE-OVER-SANDS



May 2022

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Normal services at The Parish Church of Saint Paul

Sundays - 11.00 am - Parish Service

Wednesdays - 10.00 am - Holy Communion

and at The Fell Church, Grange-over-Sands

9.30 am Second Sunday - Matins (BCP)

9.30 am - Fourth Sunday - Holy Communion (BCP)

Fifth Sunday of the Month



ST PAUL'S MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to **build confidence in Jesus Christ**
in the heart of the community through prayer,
worship and learning, in joy and practical service
to the wider world.

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Looking out of my study window I can see the garden springing to life and hear the distant bleating of lambs reminding me of how hard our farmers are working to care for more than 15 million ewes preparing to give birth in the UK. It's quietly consoling as I muse on the other flock which I have a duty to care for across the Peninsula and where I have been made to feel so welcome. It will be good not to have any major festivals for a few months and instead turn my attention to other tasks, even the garden. Except, that is, for one important festival that can often be overlooked – the Ascension.



In Walsingham, there's a chapel dedicated to the Ascension which features two plaster feet sticking out from beneath the ceiling – Jesus must have taken off at some speed to get through the plaster of that place! But of course, the plaster feet are just a pictorial representation of something impossible to represent. Christians have never imagined that the Ascension was a spatial journey like one that a space shuttle might make. The theologian N.T. Wright comments:

‘Just as we speak of the sun “rising”, even though we know that the earth is turning in relation to the sun, so ancient Jews were comfortable with the language of heavenly ascent without supposing that their god, and those who shared his habitation, were physically situated a few thousand feet above the surface of the earth... To speak of someone “going up to heaven” by no means implied that the person concerned had a) become a primitive space traveller or b) arrived, by that means, at a different location within the present space-time universe.’

The account of the Ascension of Jesus in Luke and Acts is very matter-of-fact, because as creatures of time and space we have to use spatial language such as ‘up’ and ‘down’ to make sense of it. The reality is that Jesus was there with his disciples one moment, visible, tangible, and the next he was not. The physical presence of Jesus was definitively removed from them, and an exchange was taking place. He was received into another dimension, and in return they would shortly receive the promise of his presence in a different form, the Holy Spirit. With Jesus no longer physically around, God's primary means of working in His world would now be through us.

Although we may wish to have known Jesus physically, it is not an experience we need. Ascension and Pentecost mean that God is present with us in a tangibly different way. And yet it can be hard to describe our experience of the risen and ascended Christ. How do we describe it? The nearest I get is to say that I know I am never alone; and that sense of divine presence alongside me, within me, day by day has an exceptional quality, something like the character of Christ. It's a very real truth for me that Christ is alive, not just then, but now, through his Spirit. May you be assured of that profound ‘never aloneness’ day by day.

Jonathan

A TRIBUTE TO MIKE

At the end of Holy Communion at The Fell Church on Sunday 1st May the Rev'd Jonathan Brewster expressed our debt of gratitude to our churchwarden Mike Hill on the occasion of his retirement. Mike has held the post for 18 years and has worked tirelessly, particularly through the last five difficult years, supported by his wife Helen.



Mike and Helen were presented with gifts and flowers from the congregation, and Mike took the opportunity to thank all those who had supported and helped him throughout his stewardship.

APPEALS

BUY A GRANGE TEA-TOWEL TO RAISE MONEY FOR UKRAINE



Victor de Quincey is raising money for aid to Ukraine by donating tea-towels with his drawings of Grange - on sale in the Victoria Hall Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays. (Also sold in the Hospice shop in Grange – in aid of St Mary's).



FURNESS UKRAINE APPEAL - Two lorries have already been sent across to the Poland/Ukraine border and a third will be leaving shortly. Items needed are dried foods, eg pasta & noodles and baby food (not clothes). Items can be dropped off at Charnley's Garden Centre in Dalton (just off the A590) between 9-11 am and 3:30-5:30 pm every day.

HELP FOR SYRIAN REFUGEES - There are Syrian refugees housed in Barrow at the Majestic Hotel (not very majestic) - the staff are getting very short of toiletry items for their clients. There is a box in the Methodist Church porch for the next three or four Sundays—they need mainly shower gel, soap, toothpaste and brushes.

Parish of Saint Paul, Grange-over-Sands

MAY 2022

SERVICES AT ST PAUL'S & THE FELL CHURCH

SUNDAY 1st MAY - THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

11.00 am Holy Communion - Fell Church - Rev'd Jonathan Brewster

WEDNESDAY 4th MAY

10.00 am - Morning Worship, Lay-led - St Paul's Church, Grange

SUNDAY 8th MAY - FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9.30 am - Fell Church, Grange - Lay-led

11.00 am - Communion by Extension - St Paul's Church, Grange - Dianne Maguire

WEDNESDAY 11th MAY

10.00 am - Holy Communion - St Paul's Church, Grange
Rev'd Jonathan Brewster

SUNDAY 15th MAY - FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

11.00 am - Morning Worship - St Paul's Church, Grange - Lay-led

WEDNESDAY 18th MAY

10.00 am Joint Holy Communion with Methodists - St Paul's, Grange
Rev'd Nick Hallam

SUNDAY 22nd MAY - SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

11.00 am - Holy Communion - St Paul's Church, Grange - Rev'd Jonathan Brewster

WEDNESDAY 25th MAY

10.00 am - Holy Communion - Fell Church, Grange
The Venerable Penny Driver

THURSDAY 26th MAY - ASCENSION DAY

7 pm - United Service - St Peter's, Field Broughton - Rev'd Jonathan Brewster

SUNDAY 29th MAY - SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

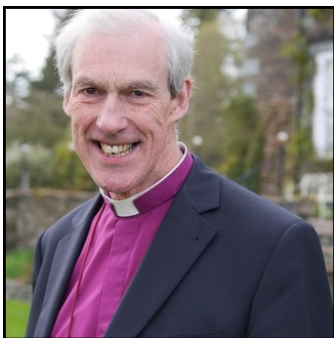
11.00 am - United Service, Holy Communion - St Paul's Church, Grange -
The Venerable Penny Driver



THE BISHOP OF CARLISLE'S EASTER MESSAGE

The Bishop of Carlisle calls for us to refocus on the hope of a Risen Jesus this Easter, as the world contends with the challenges of war, Covid and financial insecurity.

The Rt Rev James Newcome was filmed in the gardens of his home in Keswick and reflects upon the light of the Risen Jesus which overcame the darkness of the Crucifixion.



Bishop James says: "Quite a number of magazines find their way into my office – from the 'New Statesman' to 'New Directions'; and just lately, almost every article in every one of them has started with a reference to the latest 'Horsemen of the Apocalypse', namely war in Ukraine and the Refugee crisis; Climate Change; Cost of Living increase; and COVID. It is a dismal litany, and we can't afford to ignore the very serious threat and challenge posed by all of them. It's hard to be cheerful when so many people in our One World are suffering so much".

But he draws comfort from the poem 'Easter' by the Jesuit priest and poet Gerard Manley Hopkins (*page 8*), which conveys the message of a light shining in the darkness. Bishop James adds: "That light shines from the Risen Christ, and (as St John put it) the darkness has not and cannot ever overcome it. From the sheer evil of the Crucifixion came the eternal Hope of Resurrection. From the chaos of night – there dawned a new day. So, my prayer this Easter is for a foretaste of that Resurrection: in the world; in our nation; and in the lives of everyone we know and love as we turn our eyes upon Jesus: because He is Risen indeed. Alleluia!"

To view Bishop James' Easter message for 2022 visit the [Diocese of Carlisle's YouTube channel](#).

WE HAVE RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING REQUEST VIA THE WEB SITE

Dear St Paul's,

I will hopefully be on the penultimate day of my cycle ride to all St Paul's churches in England (around 250 and 3800 miles) to raise funds towards the restoration of the historic Nicholson organ in St Paul's Church, Irton in Cumbria. I will hopefully be in Grange around the 4 July. I wondered whether any of your church members would be willing and able to accommodate me for one night on my trip.

Thanks for your consideration.

Best regards, John Corran.

Can anyone offer hospitality?

THE PASSOVER SUPPER

On Maundy Thursday 50 members from the churches in the Team gathered at St Paul's for a celebratory meal to remember the Last Supper.

The Revd Jonathan Brewster led the worship, and the Bishop of Carlisle gave a reflection on St Peter and his role in the days leading up to Christ's arrest. Bishop James had been on the peninsula during Holy Week, and gave reflections on Judas on the Monday at Cartmel Priory, on Mark at Field Broughton on the Tuesday, and on Caiaphas at Flookburgh on the Wednesday.

At the start of the Maundy celebration, the candles on the 7 tables were lit, with the following words: "Now in the presence of loved ones and friends, we gather for this sacred celebration. With the household of faith, our elders and young ones, linking and bonding the past and the future, we once again hear and obey the call to divine service. As we kindle the festival lights, we pray for the light of God in our midst that we might see anew the meaning and significance of this night."



The story told us that in various ways, with different words, God gave promises of freedom to his people. With four cups from the fruit of the vine (cranberry juice) we celebrated and recalled God's promises to Israel and to us.

The first cup was of sanctification and freedom, with a reading from Exodus. We prepared for the meal by washing the hands of the person sitting next to us, symbolising the sacredness of the occasion, and the spirit of service to which we are called. We were then served the first course, followed by the second cup - the cup of deliverance, recounting the deliverance of the Israelites from Egypt. The Bishop next offered his reflection. After a blessing for the food—prepared by Sarah Brewster and beautifully served by Millie and Poppy Brewster—we enjoyed the main course, and shared the Peace before the third cup – the cup of redemption for Elijah. We celebrate today not only because Elijah has come, but because the Messiah has come.

The single bread roll on each of the tables was then carried to the altar, as the congregation moved from the social area into the nave for the Eucharistic Prayer.

The fourth, and final, cup was that of thanksgiving and hope, in celebration of what God has done in our history, what he has done for us, and as we await a new future.

We finished by echoing the traditional concluding words of hope used in the Jewish Passover – "Next year in the new Jerusalem!"

Finally, the altar and sanctuary were stripped, and left bare for the devotions of Good Friday.



EASTER by *Gerard Manley Hopkins*

Break the box and shed the nard;°
Stop not now to count the cost;
Hither bring pearl, opal, sard;
Reck not what the poor have lost;
Upon Christ throw all away:
Know ye, this is Easter Day.

Build His church and deck His shrine,
Empty though it be on earth;
Ye have kept your choicest wine—
Let it flow for heavenly mirth;
Pluck the harp and breathe the horn:
Know ye not 'tis Easter morn?

Gather gladness from the skies;
Take a lesson from the ground;
Flowers do ope their heavenward eyes
And a Spring-time joy have found;
Earth throws Winter's robes away,
Decks herself for Easter Day.

Beauty now for ashes wear,
Perfumes for the garb of woe,
Chaplets for dishevelled hair,
Dances for sad footsteps slow;
Open wide your hearts that they
Let in joy this Easter Day.

Seek God's house in happy throng;
Crowded let His table be;
Mingle praises, prayer, and song,
Singing to the Trinity.
Henceforth let your souls always
Make each morn an Easter Day.



A grandfather was walking through his garden when he heard his granddaughter repeating the alphabet in a tone of voice that sounded like a prayer.

He asked her what she was doing. The little girl explained, I'm praying, but I can't think of exactly the right words, so I'm just saying all the letters and God will put them together for me, because He knows what I'm thinking.



FUELLING SOME INTEREST

The remote town of Hawes in the Yorkshire Dales has launched a really interesting scheme.

The Upper Dales Community Partnership (UDCP), which currently leases the site and operates the 24-hour garage, has launched its plan to buy the filling station and save essential services in their town. The nearest fuel stations at Bainbridge and Aysgarth are around nine miles away, neither of which are open 24 hrs. This garage at Hawes is vitally important for both locals and tourists. Two electric vehicle charging points have been installed and more are planned.



Residents are encouraged to invest in return for a discount on their fuel and a return on that investment. This will be the first community-run filling station in England. The fear was that a private owner might not utilise the profits from the garage to fund the town's library, post office and access bus, all of which may not be viable without such support. These services depend on the income from the fuel sales.

The UDCP is consulting with residents over plans to raise the cash through a combination of government and charitable grants, alongside a share scheme. Private investments of a £1,000 minimum receive an annual interest rate of around 4% plus a reduction on the pump price of fuel of 4p a litre, no small saving when fuel prices seem to be soaring at the moment.

A similar bid is underway in Reeth, where the only garage in the area is now closed after the last private owner left, and a 'consortium' of residents including a farmer, a gamekeeper and a hotelier are attempting to buy the business.

This kind of scheme is also being used to fund the purchase of community pubs in Cumbria. A couple who married recently in St Paul's, Hannah and Ben Smart, received as a wedding gift shares in the Community Pub - Mardale Inn in Bampton. After a comprehensive plan had been put in place, the building has now been purchased and is undergoing a full refurbishment so that it can become a thriving community hub once more, serving tourists and residents alike.

I wonder if there are any plans for the garage being reinstated in Grange to benefit our community as much?

Pip

CALLING ALL KNITTERS!



Staff at several of the wards in Furness General Hospital would like little hearts, either crotchet or knitted, any colour, but 2 the same colour. The knitted ones are usually padded. The staff put one with a deceased person and give the other to the relatives. Patterns are available on the internet.

FROM THE REGISTERS MAY 2022

BAPTISMS

We were delighted to welcome two new members into our Church family on Sunday 24th April. Remi Davidson, daughter of Amy and Karl, and Charlie Matthew Tateman, son of Ashley and Christopher, were baptised by the Revd Jonathan Brewster during the morning service



*“Born of Water
and the Spirit”*

BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES

Joseph Jeffry Robinson 22nd April 2018

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Jean Marsden 29th April 2022

*“In sure and certain hope
of the resurrection to
eternal life through our
Lord Jesus Christ”*

YEAR'S MIND

Margaret Pamela Cook	6th May 2017
Martin Blamire Stilling	24th May 2018
Dennis Arthur Marsden	19th May 2019
Pauline Meriel Leigh	31st May 2019
Victoria Marie Nock	1st May 2020



SOLO DINERS

You are invited to join us on 8th May at the Woodlands Hotel, Meathop, for lunch at 1pm. The list and menu are available at the back of Church. Please sign up with your choice of either 1, 2 or 3 courses.

The cost for 2 courses is £19.95, for 3 courses £23.95.

We look forward to you joining us.

A REMINDER ABOUT MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS

We are keeping the price at £1.00 per issue but are increasing the number of issues to 12 per year. We would appreciate annual subscriptions if possible. Please make payment in the Office.

We hope you will feel the magazine provides good value for money.

Did you know that Co-op shops, even a relatively small one like the one in Grange, now provide somewhere to recycle “soft” plastic? Their website says:



“Great news! You can now recycle soft plastics like crisp packets and bread bags at a Co-op near you. It doesn't matter where you bought them. Just pop your soft plastics into our recycling units and we'll do the rest. It means we can all do our bit for the environment.”

THE CHURCH FINANCES

The Chancellor has made his Spring Statement, the Prime Minister has received at least one fine for breaking the law (“partygate”), our personal energy suppliers have increased their monthly direct debits on bank accounts, petrol prices and inflation are through the roof, and the Government pension has increased by 3.1%.

The diocese has announced that their future policy for Mission Communities and benefices will be to ask for a 3-year Parish Covenant under which commitments for 3 years will be expected, thus permitting the longer term planning of finances by all and the appropriate deployment of clerical support in line with the funding promised. The cost of a full-time stipendiary priest is budgeted to increase to £65,475 in 2023, with corresponding costs for part-time and House for Duty priests adjusted; all parish and benefice groupings are expected to be largely financially self-supporting.

So where does all this leave the church finances? Happily, our Treasurer, John, agreed a new tariff some months ago with a new energy supplier which will protect us for some time on the electricity and gas front. However, our insurers are unlikely to be similarly generous, and we can expect substantial increases in all other supplies like refreshments, office requisites, water, repairs and routine maintenance charges.

Will our monthly standing orders and commitments from our congregation rise to match these costs? We may hope so and we urge everyone to look carefully at how everyone sees their own individual monthly outgoings and check if they can afford a percentage increase for churches to continue with our ministry and mission.

On the broader Team/benefice front, there will be ongoing discussions amongst the parishes which currently form the Cartmel Peninsula Team to try to match the number of priests (on a “full time equivalent” basis) to the requirements of each parish and to the financial promise that each church can make for the next three years. We are asked to look at this commitment as a Cost of Ministry: what would we like to have and what can we afford to have? The new PCC will be engaged in these talks over the next few months and we are asked to finalise our 2023 (and later) commitment by end-July.



CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT AND CONCERT



Christian Aid Week is 15-21 May this year, and two exciting fundraising events are coming up: a charity supper and quiz night, and a concert of music and drama by the young people of Grange. Both are part of the work of Churches Together in Grange and District.



Now, for the first time in a generation, global poverty is rising. Covid-19, conflict and the climate crisis are pushing more of our global neighbours into a struggle for survival. Christian Aid began as a response from UK churches to the refugee crisis across Europe in 1945. Today Christian Aid continues to work with local partners and communities to fight injustice, respond to humanitarian emergencies (including the Ukraine crisis), campaign for change and provide long-term development support for poor communities worldwide.

The supper and quiz night starts at 7 pm on Monday 16th May, in Grange Methodist Church Hall. Tickets are £7.50, and include a two-course supper and participation in the quiz – either make up a team of up to 6 people beforehand or join one on the night. Tickets are limited and must be booked by Sunday 8th May. Contact Hazel Edmondson tel: (015395) 36213 email: edmola11@yahoo.co.uk

The concert takes place on Friday 20th May, 7-8.30 pm in Grange Methodist Church. The concert itself is free, but there will be a collection for Christian Aid during the evening.




Churches Together in Grange and District

Supper and Quiz Night
7pm Monday 16th May
Methodist Church Hall
Tickets £7.50 (must be booked in advance)

Concert of Music and drama
by the young people of Grange
7-8.30pm Fri 20th May, Grange Methodist Church
Free to attend but a collection will be taken
Every gift. Every action. Every prayer. Every one of us can change lives.

Christian Aid Week 15-21 May 2022



*Fallen is the church. Swallowed
By the sea that was allowed to rise
While she stood by
And did nothing.*

But seek God; seek justice; and live.

*Fallen is the church. Consumed
By inequalities that were allowed to rage
While she turned away
And did nothing.*

But seek God; seek righteousness; and live.

*Fallen is the church. Tripped up
By the impoverished who were left on the ground
While she walked around
And did nothing.*

*Our services are meaningless
Our worship is worthless
Our prayers appal the ears of the Lord
As long as we stand by
And do nothing.*

*So let justice roll on like a river,
Righteousness like a never-failing stream.*

Gideon Heugh (*taken from Rumours of Light.*)

THE FLOOR OF ST PAUL'S

The end of April saw the completion of the sanding and lacquering of those parquet areas of the floor left untouched during the renovation of the church and the creation of the social area in 2017, and the restaining of the front pine area where pews were removed in 2005, together with a cleaning of the choir and organ area where a pew had been removed for easier access to the organ. We also carried out a “resprucing” of the floor in the social area and in the corridor to the side door. The result means that the entire floor area is resplendent – as seen in the photos. However, there is no truth in the rumour that we shall insist on everyone removing outside footwear before entering the church!

It has all worked out very successfully, and we are pleased with the result – and hope that you will be too. The work necessitated the move of three services and the APCM to the Fell Church during the contractors' time with us. We are grateful to the Fell for their hospitality. All who worshipped there commented on the wonderful calm and spiritual atmosphere of this little church.

The flooring work is being financed largely by the PCC from our general funds, although promises of contributions have been received from individuals. These may now be given to our Treasurer, John, with a Gift Aid declaration where possible.

Mike





IN AND OUT THE DUSKY BLUEBELLS ...

**The bluebell is the sweetest flower
That waves in summer air:
Its blossoms have the mightiest power
To soothe my spirit's care.**

From The Bluebell by Emily Bronte

Now is the time to appreciate the glory of our native bluebells. Their carpets of blue with their heady scent are one of the joys of spring. Closest sites to see them are in the woods at Eggerslack or Cartmel, but if you have problems with mobility take a ride up the drive to the Cumbria Grand Hotel and look at the bank opposite the entrance. The Cumbria Wildlife Trust's flagship site is at Barkbooth Lot Nature Reserve near Crosthwaite.



It is estimated that almost 50% of the world's common bluebells are found in the British Isles—how lucky for us. A fact I didn't know is that most new plants grow from seed rather than by bulb division.

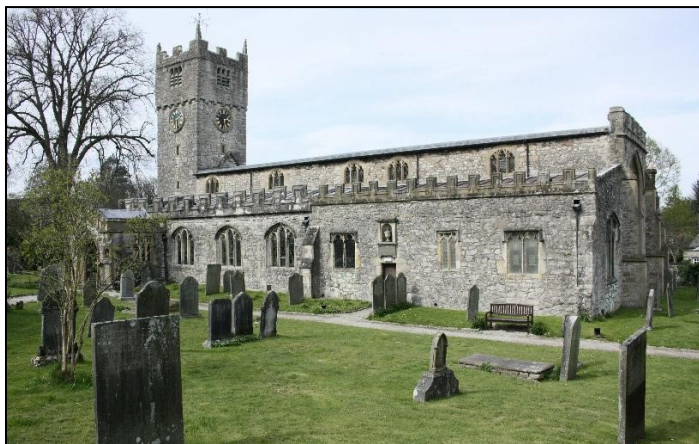
"Epitaph!"

Now that the Coronavirus pandemic and subsequent national lockdowns are fortunately a thing of the past, it is time to draw a line underneath these articles about local country churches. I believe that they have achieved their purpose and that folk have enjoyed and appreciated reading about these beautiful places. Perhaps now it is time to reflect on these wonderful buildings and make an effort to go and visit some for yourself. Choose a fine day though to fully appreciate their beauty! In terms of pondering what to do, we at St Paul's Church in Grange-over-Sands are now collating all the articles together to form a booklet. You never know, the next time you read this could well be in its final inclusion!

Country churches are a delight to go and see, and also to reflect on past peoples who built these buildings and what they meant to those who worshipped in those places over the many years and centuries. All were constructed for "The Glory of God" and to further the Christian outreach in these rural environments. The fact that they are all still used and loved today is remarkable, so if you should visit take in the special feelings of spirituality and quietness, and consider all the hard work that has gone into their upkeep by "those who came before"! The selected churches are just those of my own choice, and many more could certainly have been included. However, space and time are at a premium. Eventually all things have to come to an end, and after 25 write-ups, it is now time for this final contribution.

NO.25 -ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS AT BEETHAM

Less than 15 miles away from Grange, Beetham Church is quickly accessible and



certainly one of the finest country churches in the southern part of this Diocese. Dedicated to St Michael and All Angels, there has been a place of worship here since the time of Edward the Confessor. Indeed, the Domesday Book mentions its very first priest here in 1080, named simply as "Eruvin" who had the use of local manorial

lands granted by William the Conqueror. This church has a history of Christian worship going back over a thousand years! The building depicted today has evidence of a Norman nave and foundations plus the base of the Tower. Over the centuries much has been done to expand and improve the interior, but it still has the ancient qualities worthy of a Grade 1 listed Heritage building.

Inside the church is certainly impressive with fine carving on the oak woodwork and evidence of rare medieval stained-glass windows on its south-facing side. Stone effigies of past wealthy beneficiaries are also present, and the rounded supporting columns are testament to the stonemasons of the past. On my visit I learnt of ambitious plans to re-order many different parts of the building to accommodate worship styles more in-keeping with the 21st century, which will entail the removal of some of the fine late-Victorian carved oak pews. Certainly, this church is well used and loved today, just as it was all those years ago in Anglo-Saxon times.



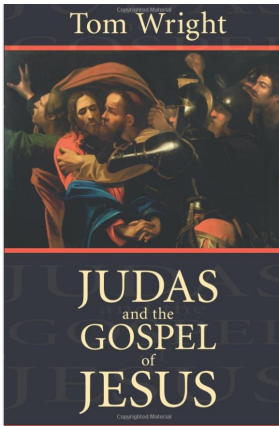
Beetham Village is also historic and well worth a stroll around. Nearby the River Bela has been bridged many times over the years, with the site of this religious place very close by. Once a flourishing corn mill was adjacent to the church and a very old one-time coaching inn is just across the road from the churchyard, now named "*The Wheatsheaf*". It

looked inviting on my visit but, alas, I had run out of time!

Upon leaving this historic place I decided to take a closer look one more time at the fine carvings of the chancel screen and finial heads on the choir pews. Everything seemed very spiritual and uplifting, with the interior certainly kept in an immaculate manner. I noticed that guide-books were on sale here, with pages and pages written about this church and the venerable village it serves. Naturally I purchased one, and realised that there is so much history connected with this place that two pages cannot really do it justice. I suggest then that you include a visit here soon, and if necessary open the gate to use the nearby church carpark, which is just along the road towards the paper mill. Failing that, I found parking in Beetham very much at a premium. You never know, on your visit to St Michael and all Angels you might just see someone you recognise!!

Colin

BOOKS TO READ IN ST PAUL'S LIBRARY

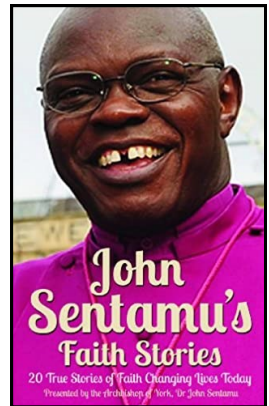


***JUDAS & THE GOSPEL OF JESUS* - Tom Wright**

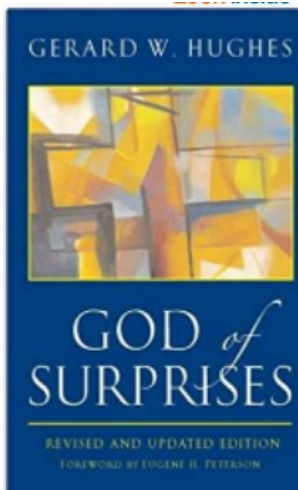
The 'Gospel of Judas' was discovered in the 1970s and took nearly 30 years to reach the public domain. Tom Wright, renowned biblical scholar and Bishop of Durham, turns his attention to this fascinating manuscript.

JOHN SENTAMU'S FAITH STORIES Archbishop of York, Dr John Sentamu

The most authentic stories of Christian faith in the 21st Century come from the experiences of ordinary people living ordinary lives. In this unique book compiled by John Sentamu, the Archbishop of York, 20 people with everyday lives, families and jobs explain what their faith means to them and how it makes an extra-ordinary difference. Sentamu has written an introduction to each story and to the book as a whole.



***GOD OF SURPRISES* - Gerard W. Hughes**



Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is like a treasure hidden in a field". *God of Surprises* shows how we can find that treasure in the most unlikely of places – ourselves. Written for 'bewildered, confused and disillusioned Christians' as a guide for the inner spiritual journey in which we are all engaged, *God of Surprises* has much to say to those who have a love/hate relationship with the Church to which they belong or once belonged. This is an unforgettable book that has changed the lives of hundreds of thousands of readers. *God of Surprises* is also available as a course study package for groups. Each pack includes an audio cassette and ten copies of the accompanying booklet. The booklet includes extracts from the original book plus new material written by Hughes for the course, and ends with suggestions for different ways of praying.

Sunday Services around the Benefice

May 2022	ALLITHWAITE	FLOOKBURGH	GRANGE	GRANGE FELL	FINSTHWAITE	HAVERTHWAITE	STAVELEY IN CARTMEL	FIELD BROUGHTON & LINDALE
Sunday 1 st May 3 rd Sunday of Easter	9.30 am Morning Worship	10.00 am All Age Worship with Baptism Rev'd Jane Maycock	11.00 am Holy Communion Rev'd Jonathan Brewster		9.30 am Communion by extension Dianne Maguire	11.00 am Communion by extension Dianne Maguire	11.00 am Holy Baptism MS	9.30 am Holy Communion Rev'd Jonathan Brewster
Sunday 8 th May 4 th Sunday of Easter	4.00 pm Service of the Word Rev'd Jane Maycock	10.00 am Holy Communion Rev'd Jane Maycock	11.00 am Communion by extension Dianne Maguire	9.30 am Lay-led	9.30 am Holy Communion Rev'd Jonathan Brewster	11.00 am Morning Worship Tony Jeffers	11.00 am Holy Communion Rev'd Jonathan Brewster	9.30 am Lay-led
Sunday 15 th May 5 th Sunday of Easter	9.30 am Holy Communion Rev'd Jane Maycock	4.00 pm Afternoon Worship Lay-led	11.00 am Lay-led		11.00 am Morning Worship Tony Jeffers	11.00 am Holy Communion Rev'd Jonathan Brewster	11.00 am Communion by Extension Richard Rhodes	9.30 am Holy Communion Rev'd Jonathan Brewster
Sunday 22 nd May 6 th Sunday of Easter	10.00 am Joint Holy Communion at St John's Flookburgh	10.00 am Joint Holy Communion Rev'd Jane Maycock	11.00 am Holy Communion Rev'd Jonathan Brewster	9.30 am Holy Communion Rev'd Jonathan Brewster	6.00 pm Evensong	11.00 am Lay-led	11.00 am Lay-led	9.30 am Lay-led
Sunday 29 th May 7 th Sunday of Easter	9.30 am TBA	10.00 am TBA	11.00 am United Service Holy Communion The Venerable Penny Driver	11.00 am United Service @ Grange	11.00 am United Service @ Grange	11.00 am United Service @ Grange	11.00 am United Service @ Grange	11.00 am United Service @ Grange
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Wednesdays Clergy Rota - May 2022	
4th May	Lay-led
11th April	Rev'd Jonathan Brewster
18th April	Joint with Methodist at St Paul's church, Grange Rev'd Nick Hallam
25th May	The Venerable Penny Driver



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY FOR MAY

8th SOLO DINERS - at Woodlands Hotel, Meathop. List at the back of church for signing up

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 15TH - 21ST MAY 2022

16th SUPPER & QUIZ NIGHT - 7 pm Methodist Church hall (*see page 10*)

20th CONCERT OF MUSIC & DRAMA - by young people of Grange, 7 - 8.30 pm (*see page 10*)

22nd FOODBANK COLLECTION - 1-3 pm, St Charles.

26th 2nd CONCERT - in our 10th Season. Members of the South Cumbria Brass Band from Ulverston will be entertaining us. Coffee served from 10.30 am with the concert starting at 11 am. (*see page 23*)

28th MAY FAIR - We will be holding a May Fair this Saturday, with all the usual stalls – bric-a-brac, cakes, plants, tombola, books, scarves, etc, plus of course The Raffle! Boxes for donations will be placed in church during May; raffle prizes should be given to Helen Hill ASAP. *See facing page*

We look forward to your support and hope you can join us on the day.

PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS BEING PLANNED

Saturday 4th June — an outdoor community event on St Charles' field or Methodist Church if wet.

Sunday 5th June — Ecumenical united service of celebration, 11 am, at St Paul's.



CHARLES' FIRST CONCERT OF THE SEASON

It was a pleasure to join Charles for his first concert this year – and of course to have a coffee (or tea) and a chat with old friends. Our attention was drawn to the fact that there is now no charge for admission or refreshments but a retiring collection or donation is appreciated. This enables us to reclaim Gift Aid on the funds received.

The programme was as fresh and as varied as ever, with music from four countries interpreted on our newly tuned piano and organ by Charles in full flow. There was the usual blend of familiar and not so familiar numbers – a delicate Haydn sonata in G and “Musical Moments” from Schubert, followed by familiar pieces by Toselli (whom your writer had never heard of) and Mascagni. The “big one” was the César Franck *Chorale* on the organ which ranged from ebullient to moving.

Of course, Charles likes to tease us: we learnt that it was a Belgian (Franck) who is regarded as the leader in French organ music, the *Chorale* is not a choral work, and we finally enjoyed a modern American composer named German.

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May	165	32	75	37	52	26	101	
June	34	185	135	19	91	99	30	
July	69	113	126	33	134	169	70	
August	112	168	86	108	180	188	63	
September	29	118	177	133	177	66	62	
October	60	31	172	131	160	165	304	
November	246	118	189	62	85	114	71	
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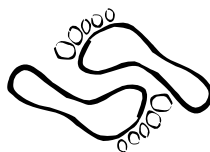
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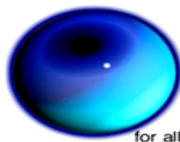


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