

## Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> July 2025 The Sixth Sunday After Trinity

A warm welcome to our worship today. Please do join us for refreshments after the 10.00am service.

**Gluten Free:** If you would prefer to receive a gluten free wafer at communion, please receive from the officiating minister and indicate your preference to them.

## TODAY'S WORSHIP

8.30am	Holy Communion President : Reverend Mitch	Preacher : Reverend Fran Bell
10.00am	<b>Parish Communion</b> President : Reverend Mitch	Preacher : Reverend Fran Bell
5.00pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b> Officiant : Annette Playle	
READINGS	Genesis 18 : 20 - 32 Colossians 2 : 6 - 15 Luke 11 : 1 - 13	
HYMNS 777 119 557 581	Sing of the Lord's goodness Forgive our sins as we forgive Beauty for brokenness Lord of Lords and King eternal (omit v 4)	

Mass Setting David Thorne (left column in service booklets)

## THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, 28th9.00amMorning PrayerTuesday, 29th8.30am8.30amMorning Prayer7.00pmPCC MeetingWednesday, 30th10.15am10.15amHoly CommunionThursday, 31st8.30am

## LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> August 8.30am Holy Communion 10.00am All Together 'I Am' Worship Service (see below) Deanery Evensong at St James's Church, Shilbottle 5.00pm Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> **Morning Prayer** 9.00am Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> **Morning Prayer** 8.30am Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> Holy Communion 10.15am Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> 8.30am **Morning Prayer** 

**Next Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> August**, is the week which would usually be our All Together Worship. However, we will have no junior choir and are unlikely to have many children.

We are therefore taking the opportunity of doing a different kind of service, which will be much more reflective than usual, within the context of the parish communion.

This will be on the subject of who Jesus is and who we are. As ever, all welcome!

**St. Michael's Indoor Bowls Club** meets on a Tuesday evening at 7.00pm until 9.00pm, in the Parish Hall. We would welcome new members, so if you fancy a game of sociable bowls, why not come along and join us. Starting Date for the next season is September 2<sup>nd</sup>. For more information contact Neal Peacock : 01665 510718.

There are many and various roles involved in keeping our worship and activities running (mostly) smoothly throughout the year and doing all we can to make sure that all feel welcome in our beautiful church. We have teams of people who read the bible in services, and people who lead us in prayer, who make tea and coffee, welcome us at the door before our services, arrange the flowers, clean, garden, fix things, bake, sing, write. And no doubt more things too. Sometimes we see those talents at work, sometimes they go on in the background. Either way they make St Michael's the church we are, and we are grateful for every one of them. Our ancient church needs many, many skills, talents and experience and every contribution is valued.

We want to help all those who are already involved in activities, or who might like to be involved in something, feel that they are equipped to do so, so that everyone feels they can contribute in the way they would like to. There is the added benefit, of course, that as teams grow in number the duties are shared more widely and do not fall on the same shoulders week in, week out! Our Churchwardens, Patty and Sal are planning gettogethers to say thank you to some of these teams, and to give others the opportunity to see if they would like to be involved.

The first get-together will be in the Autumn for our sidespeople. Watch this space for details! Our sidespeople greet us at the door at the start of services. They welcome both regular members of the congregation and visitors into the church, handing out books and sheets with a smile. They may guide visitors and newcomers to a seat beside someone friendly, and they encourage members of the congregation to bring up the bread and wine in preparation for the Eucharist. So they do their best to make sure all of us feel ready and able to take part in worship. We'd really like to expand this team.

So if this is something you think might be for you, and you'd love to do it, or you think it would be lovely but you wouldn't be good enough (you would!), or you have even the slightest interest in finding out more – have a word with Patty or Sal in the first instance, and we'll help you in your thinking about whether to get involved. You will be most welcome to come along to our get-together and find out what sidespeople do, straight from the horse's mouth as it were. (By-the-way, coming along for tea and cake does not commit you to anything – honest!)

Thank you



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