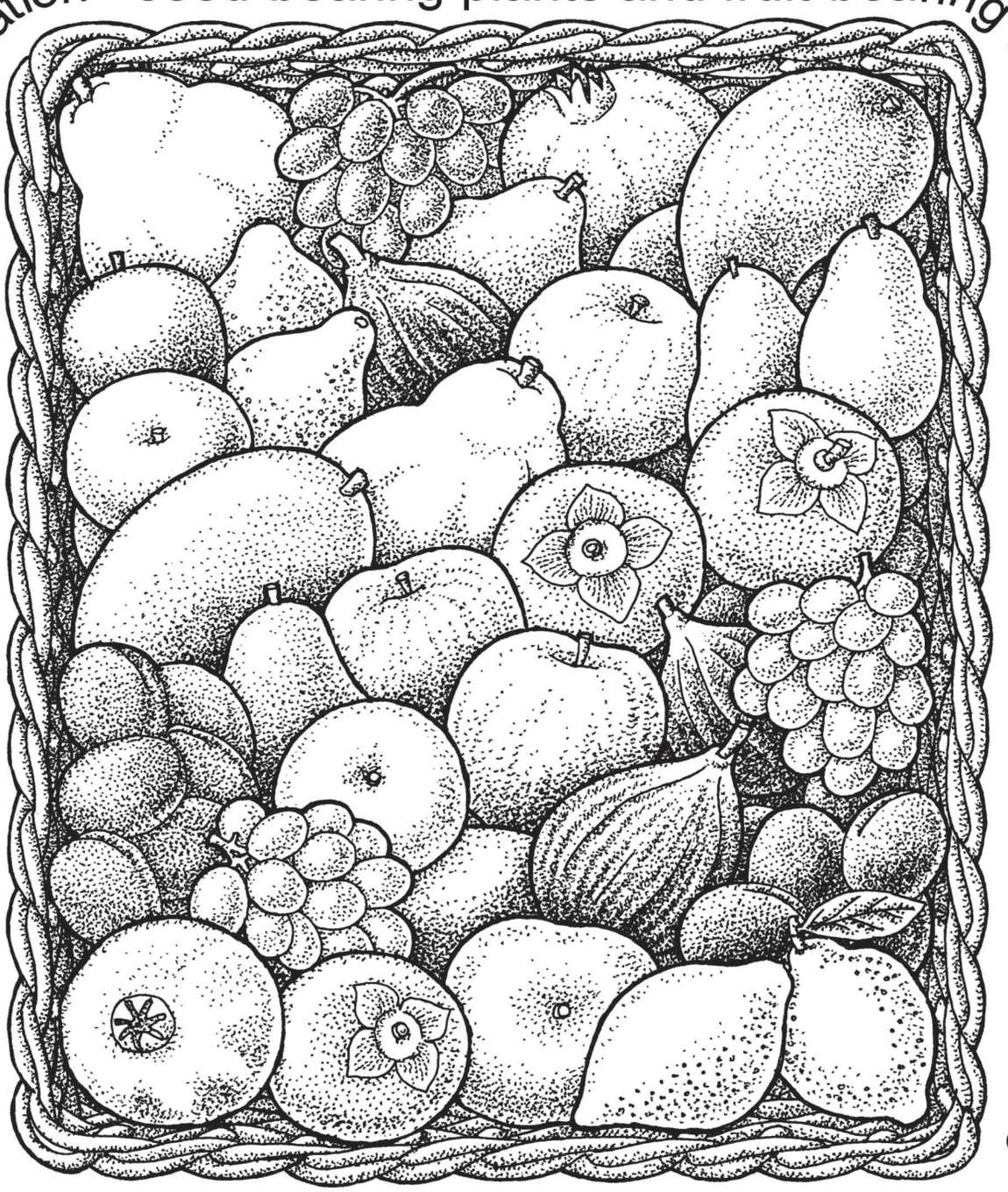
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God commanded the earth to sprout all kinds of vegetation - seed-bearing plants and fruit-bearing trees, and it was so. . . and God saw that it was good.



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8.00am Every Sunday Eucharist
(Traditional Language)

10.30am Principal Service
(Eucharist or Service of the Word)

2nd Sunday All Together Service with St John's

5th Sunday Combined Service see dates page

3rd Sunday 3.00pm Messy Church

Wednesdays 9.45am Holy Communion

Home Communion at Lynwood House

3rd Thursday of the month at 11.00am

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by arrangement with the Vicar

SERVICES AT ST. JOHN'S, BURNHOPE

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2nd Sunday All Together Service (at All Saints')

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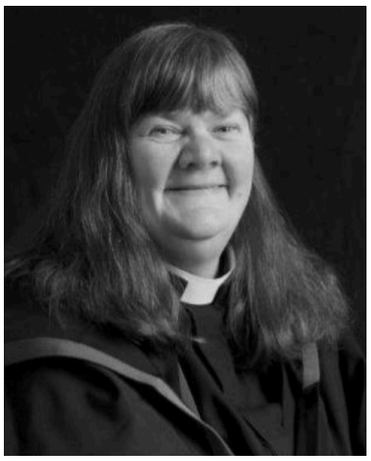
CHILDRENS GROUPS/ MESSY CHURCH
Caroline Roxburgh

Safeguarding Statement;

The Parish of Lanchester and Burnhope is committed to creating and maintaining a safe and nurturing environment for everyone, especially for children, young people and vulnerable adults. It has adopted and approved the Church of England policy for promoting a safer church. This policy deals with all aspects of safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.
As we are currently recruiting a Parish Safeguarding officer and Safeguarding Team Members, to discuss any safeguarding concerns relating to All Saints Lanchester or St John's Burnhope, in the first instance please contact:-

The Parish Priest, Rev'd Lesley Sutherland, 01207529166, reverendsutherland@gmail.com

Concerns can also be raised with the Diocesan Safeguarding Officer,
Mrs Beth Miller – she can be contacted as follows:
Address: Cuthbert House, Stonebridge, Durham DH1 3RY - Mobile: 07968 034075
Email: beth@bethmillerisw.co.uk or beth.miller@durham.anglican.org



I love the autumn. It's the season of crisp leaves underfoot, of making the house cosy with cushions, throws and the scent of spices, and changing from summer to winter wardrobes. Autumn brings stews in the slow cooker, crumbles in the oven, and the temptation (for me!) of those old-fashioned teeth-cracking toffee apples. It's the time of family birthdays, including mine, of Houghton Feast with its firework display ox roast and community hymn singing, and it's the time when the church is full of the scent of leeks and apples and parsnips as we decorate for Harvest Festival.

Autumn celebrates community, warmth, generosity of spirit and the abundance of God's provision for us in the glories of the natural world.

I love the autumn…

But it's also the time when we begin to take stock of our finances as a parish, because it's time to file our accounts with the Charities Commission and time for the PCC to agree our donation to the Diocese- our 'parish share'- for next year. And I'm afraid that, this year, we need your help.

This year, planned giving has not reached the levels it has in previous years, and nor has casual giving by means of one-off donations. We're looking at a deficit of around £5,000- and that deficit means that we can't pay for essential repairs to our buildings, budget for mission, or meet our promised giving to the diocese. In turn, there will be less money at the Diocese's disposal to pay priestly stipends, to resource the work of Cuthbert house in supporting parishes, and to further our outreach to those who've never heard the good news of God in Jesus.

Of course, this is understandable in the current economic climate. We all have to prioritise where we spend our money, especially if our incomes are fixed; but I hope that our present situation might prompt you to think about making some changes to your giving.

I hope that you agree that we provide some vital services that deserve your support. At Burnhope we run our Wednesday social, providing a weekly free lunch for elderly people who are often isolated and lonely. We run the Wednesday Kid's Club at Burnhope, and essential provision for holiday hunger via our free - and incredibly popular - Holiday Clubs. Our Messy Church at All Saints is equally popular, our Pastoral Visiting Team visits those who can no longer come to church, and our Meditation group is a safe place for those looking for peace in a troubled world. Members of our congregation give up their time and gifts as governors of the EP school, in which I work year round, delivering assemblies, confirmation preparation and introduction to Holy Communion. We run an after school club at the EP for the Gypsy, Roma and Traveller community, and we are a GRT friendly church. Our special services mark the great festivals of the year, and All Saints is - I venture to think - the iconic landmark that graces Lanchester. The organ needs work running into the tens of thousands, and it's likely that we may need to begin preservation work on the mullions in our glorious windows. We have been the beating heart of love in the village since 1147, and are still here to christen our children, to marry our couples, and to conduct your funeral when your time comes.

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I hope that you think we are doing a good job; and I hope that this autumn prompts you to think about how you might help us;

- If you donate already, how do you do it? Planned giving by standing order or through the Parish Giving scheme helps us to budget more effectively- and there's an option via the Parish Giving scheme for a yearly increase by the rate of inflation. If your planned giving hasn't changed for some time, the reality is that we are receiving less in real terms. Can you make a small increase this year in what you give? Can you give us a one-off donation, or leave some provision for the church in your will?
- If you would like to donate, give me a ring or send me an email, and we can get you going!

Continued over...

• Run a fund-raiser for us, or, better yet, join our social and fundraising committee! New ideas are always welcome, as are new volunteers.
• Come to our events!
• And, dare I say it, come to church! If you want to know more, if there's a nagging question about faith, if you're 'spiritual but not religious,' if you believe but haven't dipped your toes into church waters yet, we'd love to meet you. We're two welcoming communities with something for everyone, no matter what age you are; and our childrens' ministry is especially important to us. Church is for everybody!

Autumn celebrates community, warmth, generosity of spirit and the abundance of God's provision for us in the glories of the natural world.

I hope that you will celebrate with us this autumn - and help us to continue our life-giving work here.

With every blessing for an abundant harvest,

Lesley

All Saints and St John's need a Safeguarding officer/members of our safeguarding team!

One of the most popular and easily understood descriptions of Jesus is as the good shepherd; committed to looking after the sheep, whatever the danger might be. And before Jesus talks of himself as the shepherd, he says; 'I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full…' At the centre of our faith is the belief that each of us is unique, special, beloved of God and therefore deserving of protection, safety and the space in which to thrive.

And that's why the role of Safeguarding Officer/Team member is vitally important.

After our last PSO Sue Smith stood down, having done a fantastic job, we've looked again at safeguarding and have begun to put together a safeguarding team. We are looking for team members and for one person to be the initial point of contact - someone who loves people, ideally has a background involving safeguarding, and who is eager to keep everyone safe so that we can all reach our potential and flourish together.

Read on - and if you think you fit the profile, please do contact me,

Rev'd Lesley Sutherland, *reverendsutherland@gmail.com*

for a first instance chat and an application form.

Safeguarding is the action the Church takes to promote a safer culture and is a shared responsibility across our church communities, Diocese and nationally. Safeguarding promotes the protection and consideration of the welfare of our vulnerable especially children, young people and vulnerable adults. Together we strive to prevent abuse from occurring, seek to protect those that are at risk of being abused and respond well to those that have been abused. We will take care to identify where a person may present a risk to others, and offer support to them whilst taking steps to mitigate such risks.

The Parish Safeguarding Officer is the key link between the diocese and the parish concerning safeguarding matters. She/he will have an overview of all church activities involving children, young people and vulnerable adults and will seek to ensure the implementation of safeguarding policy.
The role can be taken by one person or be shared; for example,
one person might cover children and the other vulnerable adults.

The key tasks of the parish safeguarding officer are to:

1. Have an overview of all church activities involving children and vulnerable adults and keep a record of these activities.

2. Be familiar with diocesan safeguarding guidance and ensure that leaders of activities are fully aware of, and are implementing, this guidance.

3 Liaise with the incumbent over safeguarding issues.

4. Keep in touch with the leaders of all activities and offer them advice and support over safeguarding matters.

5. Liaise as necessary with the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisers. Report all concerns or allegations against church officers to the DSA.

6. Attend diocesan safeguarding training offered for PSOs.

7. Assist with safeguarding training in the parish as appropriate.

8. Attend a meeting of the church leadership team (PCC) at least annually to ensure safeguarding issues are discussed and that the church leadership adopt the annual Church Safeguarding Policy.

9. Ensure that the Church Safeguarding Policy and contact details are displayed in all Church premises.

10. Keep good records of any safeguarding concerns that may arise and ensure that others do the same.

11. Promote inclusivity in places of worship and within church activities.

12. Keep the church leadership informed of good safeguarding practice.

13.Undertake a regular parish safeguarding self-assessment in the format offered by the Diocese.

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https://d3hgrlq6yacptf.cloudfront.net/61d750a40a35a/content/pages/documents/diocese-safeguarding-policy-2025-final.pdf.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

Mothers Union Lanchester

Unfortunately, our speaker Kathleen Wilson booked for our September meeting needed to attend an important meeting at Mary Sumner House in London, so she had to cancel her time with us.

Despite this, our time together was enjoyable where after, our service we sang some of our favourite hymns, welcomed back Hazel, Phyllis and Joan and presented Jen flowers and sang happy birthday in celebration of Jen's 80th birthday.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 13th October at 2:00 PM in the Chapter House where it will be our 'scripture market'.

Each member will need to read a passage out of the Bible concerning food or drink and bring this to the meeting.

We will then auction these and the money we raise will be sent to AFIA (Away From It All). We did this in March 2025 and sent £105 to AFIA.

If you wish to join us as a visitor, you will be made most welcome. It should be a most enjoyable afternoon sharing tea biscuits and plenty of chat.

Margaret Brown

(Branch Leader)

100 Club

The September draw was made on the 2nd of September in the Chapter House.

The winning numbers were:
111, 105, 6, 40, 88 and 13

Sue Smith

Mothers Union St John's

The Mothers' Union meeting will take place on Monday, 5 October 2.00pm at the usual location. Please contact the Secretary for details of the venue if you are unsure. Our guest speaker in October will be our own Cecily Lindsay, giving a talk on the lovely island of St Helena. Come as a visitor if you would like to join us and hear Cecily's talk. You will be made most welcome. Tea and biscuits to follow.

The popular St John's Church Pie and Pea supper with raffle and bingo will be held at the Community Centre on Monday, 12 October at 7.00pm. Tickets £5 from Doreen Park. We look forward to seeing you at one or both events and enjoying another meaningful gathering together.



Warmest congratulations to our Branch Leader, Elva Hockaday who celebrated her 90th birthday on 24 August. Elva's special day was filled with love, joy and cherished memories, surrounded by family, Church family and friends at a party celebrated at Abigail Lodge to mark this milestone.

Elva joined St John's MU in March 2000; a remarkable contribution through 26 years of devoted volunteering with the Mother's Union. Elva's kindness, commitment and willingness to serve have touched the lives of so many people and have been a true source of encouragement to her community. With heartfelt thanks for all that Elva has given, and with very best wishes for her continued happiness, good health and many blessings in the years ahead.

Pauline Hall (Branch Secretary)

From The Wardens

As ever the Wardens continue to support Lesley in her ministry between the two churches.

All Saints remains closed throughout the week until further notice following the decision taken by the PCC. The situation had improved and the measures taken by the church to deter past problems are still in place and have helped to alleviate the problem. However the Council bin outside the Church at the bottom of the steps was set on fire and rubbish taken from our bins was scattered around. This incident has been reported to the Police, Councillor Alison Gray and Durham County Council who removed the debris of the bin remarkably quickly. We continue to maintain camera surveillance. It is still hoped to reopen the church at a future date, and we apologise for any inconvenience caused but we trust the general public understand our situation. Until then a notice has been placed on the noticeboard giving information of who to contact in the event that pilgrims wish access or indeed anyone wishes to access the church for prayer.

All regular servicing has been carried out and Quinquennial surveys to both Churches have been carried out. We await the reports for planning any remedial works which need attention.

At St John's, we are still relying on the volunteers from the probation service who carry out clearance works. We are currently considering options for path repairs.

On behalf of the Churchwardens

Rob Matthews

Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes

It's coming up to Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes for developing world children time.

I have the boxes and will start giving them out at the back of church after the service from Sept 26th. Or you could come to my house 38 Briardene, DH7 0QD (not Tuesday-Friday daytimes). Or contact me at steve24c07@aol.com 01207 520749 and I will deliver.

They need to be back to me filled by Sunday 8th November.

You can leave filled boxes on Sunday mornings at the back of church except Sunday 4th October, and I will pick them up, up to and including Sunday 8 November. Please don't leave them through the week (risk of theft).

Or you can bring them to me at 38 Briardene DH7 0QD (not Tuesday-Friday daytimes) Or I could come to your house if you contact me as above up to 14th November.

Steve Craddock

Church Wives

Our speaker on the 8th October is Ian McCardle who is returning once again. His talk will be on the Brothers Grimm. His 'presentations' are usually very interesting.

On Thursday 22nd October we are having our own craft night arranged by our secretary Gladys Robson. She will be encouraging us to make something to put on display at home.

Should anyone wish to join us, we meet at 7pm in the Chapter House on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays.

Deanna Leyland

DATES FOR THE DIARY

REGULAR GROUPS AND ACTIVITIES

Weekly

Tuesday 11.00am Meditation 1 Deanery Cottages
Tuesday 7.00pm Compline on Zoom, Margaret and Adrian

Other monthly meetings in Lanchester

1st Monday 2.00pm Julian Prayers
2nd Tuesday 2.00pm Mothers Union
2nd and 4th Thursday 7.00pm Church Wives
3rd Thursday 11.00am Eucharist Lynwood House

Other monthly meetings in Burnhope

1st Monday 2.00 Mothers Union
2nd Tuesday of the month Café Church 6.00pm at The Community Centre

EXTRA SERVICES

On 4th October we will celebrate the Harvest in both churches.
Contributions of tinned/preserved/longlife/dried food will go to our food projects and fresh produce will be used after it has decorated the church.

Dates for the Diary - Social

Harvest Soup Lunch - All Saints 6th October

Autumn Coffee Morning - All Saints 14th October

Tickets for both from Margaret Brown or other Social Committee members

Pie and Pea Supper - St John's at the Community Centre 12th October

For tickets see Pauline Hall or Doreen Park

Holiday Club - at Burnhope Community Centre 27th October, 10am- noon

Parish Register - Lanchester & St John's

All at All Saints

Funeral;

Ann Carr 29/09/2026

"May she rest in peace and rise in glory"

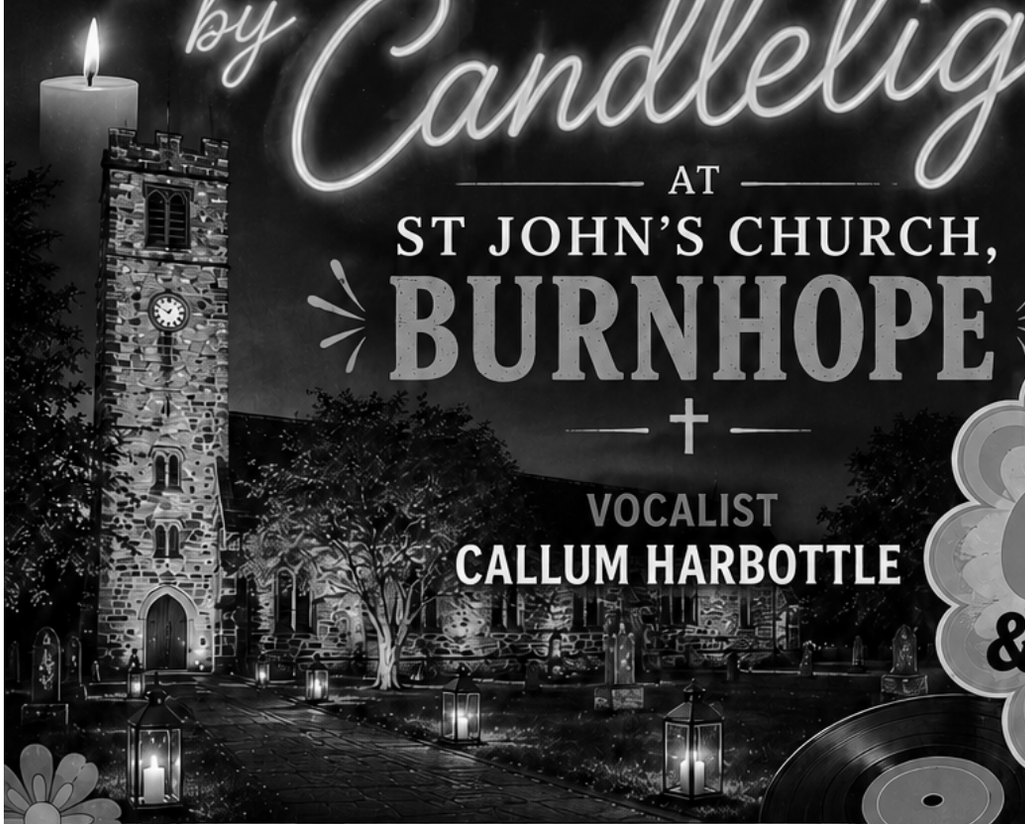


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Can Pop Music (sometimes) = Christian Music?

I was listening to the radio in the car, when a 'blast from the past' came on. I know the song/music straight away, and sang in full gusto. The song was 'Spirit in the Sky' by Norman Greenbaum (1969), and it got me thinking, how many more songs are either taken from a passage in the Bible or have a religious tone. 'Spirit in the Sky' speaks about preparing for death and meeting Jesus i.e. "Gotta have a friend in Jesus….".

So what others could I remember singing along to that had some sort of biblical meaning or words taken from the Bible?

Simon and Garfunkel "Bridge over Troubled Water" has (for many people) 'echoes' of biblical themes of Comfort and Hope.

Likewise, Leonard Cohen "Hallelujah" (1984 - Hallelujah is an ancient Hebrew expression that means "praise the Lord") contains many biblical references, including King David and Samson!!

Then there are 'pop' songs, which quote direct from the Bible. For instance, Boney M hit 'The Rivers of Babylon' (1978) is mainly taken from Psalm 137 and Psalm 19, in Pete Seeger's 'Turn! Turn! Turn!', made into a hit by The Byrds, almost every line is taken from Ecclesiastes 3: 1 – 8, and don't forget that Bob Marley and the Wailers song 'Exodus' was inspired by the biblical story of the Israelites leaving Egypt.

So....can you remember these more 'popular pop songs' which have a Biblical theme:

Prince – 'The Cross' (1987) – which draws on the New Testament message of Jesus' crucifixion and redemption

George Harrison – "My Sweet Lord" (1970) –which combines Christian and Hindu expressions and includes repeated cries of "Hallelujah";

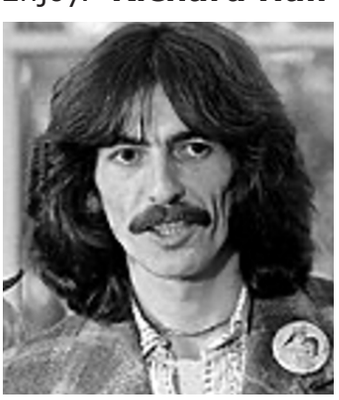
Simon and Garfunkel – "Blessed" (1966) – which was inspired by the Beatitudes in Matthew 5, beginning with repeated word "Blessed….."; and

U2 – "40" (1983) – which was adapted almost entirely from Psalm 40.

The above are just a few of the songs that were produced relating to, or have themes taken from the Bible and there were many produced by various artists ie The Beatles, The Rolling Stones, The Supremes, Elvis Presley, Arthena Franklin, Little Richard, Johnny Cash, and Madonna!! I am certain you can add onto the list!

Now that I have you all singing the songs, just remember, that the Bible is believed to be the most quoted and influential book in the history of popular music. So you never know that the next time that you are singing your favourite hymn, it could turn out to be the next big 'pop music' hit!!

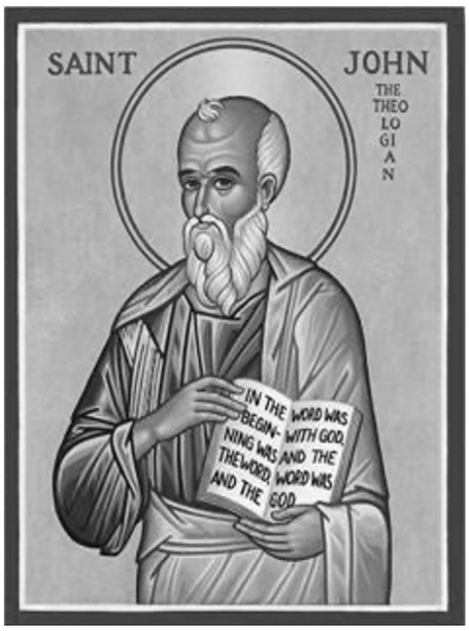
Enjoy. **Richard Hall**







St John the Evangelist



The Church of St John the Evangelist in Burnhope was named in honour of St John one of the 12 Apostles of Jesus. In the Church of England, new Victorian-era parish churches built during the 19th Century like St John's 1865, were routinely named after biblical figures.

St John the Evangelist is traditionally associated with the teachings of love, loyalty and scripture, making him a common and revered namesake for community parish churches established to serve new mining and rural populations in County Durham.

St John the Evangelist is one of the most important figures in the history of Christianity. Traditionally identified as John the son of Zebedee and the brother of St James, he was one of the twelve apostles of Jesus Christ. Christian tradition remembers him as a close companion of Jesus, a courageous witness to key events in Christ's life and the author associated with several important books of the New Testament. His writings have had a lasting influence on Christian theology, particularly through their emphasis on love, faith, truth and the divine nature of Jesus.

According to the Gospels, John worked as a fisherman with his brother James and their father, Zebedee. John was noted to have a quick temper and to be intolerant, so much so that Jesus nicknamed the two brothers 'Boanerges' (sons of thunder)! Jesus called the two brothers to leave their occupation and follow Him. John responded to this call and became one of Christ's closest disciples. Alongside Peter and James, he was present at several significant moments that were witnessed by only a small number of the apostles.

John was present at the raising of Jairus's 12-year-old daughter who was close to death, the Transfiguration and the agony of Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane. These events gave him a particularly intimate view of Christ's ministry. The Gospel accounts portray him not merely as a follower among many, but as a trusted disciple who remained close to Jesus during moments of both glory and suffering. This closeness with Jesus changed John's character and shifted from a 'son of thunder' to someone with deep loyalty, humility and a focus on love.

Tradition often identifies John as "the disciple whom Jesus loved", a phrase found in the Gospel of John. This title does not necessarily suggest that Jesus loved John more than the other disciples. Rather, it reflects the close relationship between them and highlights the disciple's role as a faithful witness. At the Last Supper, this disciple is described as being close to Jesus, and at the crucifixion he is presented as standing near the cross when many others had fled.

John's presence at the crucifixion is one of the most important aspects of his story. While Jesus was dying, He entrusted His mother, Mary, to the care of the beloved disciple. Christian interpretation has traditionally understood this moment as a sign of John's loyalty and compassion. It also symbolises the formation of a new spiritual family centred on Christ.

John’s willingness to remain near the cross demonstrates the seriousness of Christian discipleship. His faith was not limited to witnessing miracles or sharing in moments of triumph. He also remained present during humiliation, pain and apparent defeat. For this reason, John is often regarded as an example of steadfastness. His life suggests that true faith requires commitment even when circumstances are difficult.

After the resurrection of Jesus, John became an important leader within the early Christian community. The Acts of the Apostles describes him working with Peter in Jerusalem. Together, they preached about the risen Christ and faced opposition from religious and political authorities. John’s role in the early Church demonstrates that the apostles were not simply receivers of teaching; they were also witnesses responsible for sharing the Christian message with others.

Later Christian tradition associates John with the city of Ephesus in Asia Minor.

He is said to have guided Christian communities there and to have influenced the development of early Christian thought. Some traditions also connect him with the island of Patmos, where he is believed to have received the visions recorded in the Book of Revelation. Although details about his later life are not certain, the traditions surrounding him show how highly he was regarded by subsequent generations of Christians.

Today St John the Evangelist occupies a unique place in Christianity. As an apostle, he was a close companion of Jesus and a witness to central events in Christ’s life. As a leader of the early Church, he helped preserve and communicate the message of the apostles. As a writer and theologian, he offered a profound vision of Jesus as the eternal Word and emphasised that love is at the heart of the Christian life.

John’s enduring influence comes from the combination of his personal loyalty, spiritual insight and ability to communicate profound truths through memorable images. His message remains clear: faith in Christ should lead to truth, courage and love. For these reasons, St John the Evangelist continues to inspire Christians throughout the world.

Pauline Hall

Durham Cathedral I remember when: Lumiere comes to Durham



I remember the telephone call from our Chapter Clerk in summer 2009 inviting me to a meeting with Helen Marriage, Chief executive of Lumiere, who was seeking approval to use the Cathedral as the main feature of the proposed Light festival coming to Durham City. We asked Helen what the numbers she expected to attract. With a smile Helen said I don’t know, we may get seventy folks turn up seven hundred perhaps, maybe even seven thousand. We never expected the seven hundred and fifty thousand that did turn up.

The first ’Lumiere’ took place in Durham in 2009. Twenty-two light installations were dotted around the city in a diverse artistic programme including neon, projections and fire, and indeed over 75,000 visitors experienced the magic of the first ‘Lumiere’ for free, which was originally planned as a one-off event. It eventually ran bi-annually until December 2025 when it was revealed that the new Reform Council would be withdrawing future support.

Durham University Botanic Gardens were transformed in 2009 with 25 artworks for *Power Plant, and at Durham Cathedral, crowds were treated to Crown of Light (pictured) the glorious son et lumiére* by Ross Ashton, Robert Ziegler and John Del'Nero. The programme also featured a collaboration between prisoners at HMP Durham and artist Ron Haselden which resulted in Nine Men Drawing, a series of illuminated artworks in Crown Court Gardens.

Lumiere 2009 made a big impact and was the start of something that, with the support of Durham County Council, Durham University and other sponsors, became a free-to-attend, biennial event and a cultural highlight in the North East calendar. The "Crown of light" and swinging pendulums within the Cathedral, artworks within the Cloisters and College grounds meant the Cathedral was full to bursting and difficult to steward. The City itself was packed and very unprepared for the number that attended. We'd never experienced burger and chip vans in the College before.

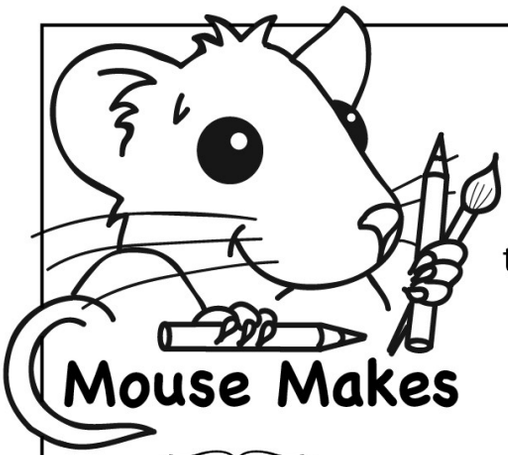
The second festival arrived in 2011 and it was clear that everyone had learned the lessons of 2009. Security around Durham City, the Peninsular, and the Cathedral and its precincts was beefed up and certainly went much more smoothly.



Lumiere 2011 re-imagined the possibilities of light art. 35 light installations transformed Durham's buildings, streets and bridges across the city. An estimated 150,000 people enjoyed an ambitious programme that transformed familiar landmarks. Peter Lewis 'Splash' turned Kingsgate footbridge into a huge, illuminated waterfall. Compagnie Carabosse captivated audiences bringing flaming mechanical structures and flickering lanterns made from miner's vests to the inside of Durham Cathedral and its grounds, whilst at Market Place, Jacques Rival's mischievous 'I Love Durham 'housed the Marquess of Londonderry statue in a giant snow globe. Several installations were created with the local community. Hundreds of schoolchildren paraded through the city on opening night with lanterns made with Liverpool Lantern Company. Working with the women prisoners of HMP Low Newton and their children, Jana Matejkova's 'Wish Comet' displayed their hopes and dreams in the shape of a shooting star. The BRILLIANT competition ran for the first time, inviting local people to apply with their ideas for light installations. Four winners were chosen, including Mick Stephenson's 'Fusion' made from hundreds of recycled plastic bottles.
With audiences more than doubling following the first edition in 2009, the festival cemented its status in the North East. Lumiere Durham 2011 was commissioned by Durham County Council and collaborated with light festivals in Poland and Estonia for 'Lux Scientia'. The project was funded with support from the European Commission.

It was such a privilege to be part of the Cathedral team for three Lumiere festivals and most enjoyable.

Rob Matthews



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1. How many books are there in the New Testament?

2. Which book of the Bible has the shortest title?

3. The Word of God is sharper than a two edged

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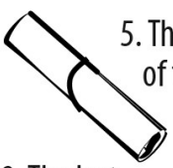
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4. He was an Old Testament prophet that has a book named after him.



5. The first book of the Bible.

6. God's word is like?

A _ _ _ _

and a _ _ _ _ _

Psalm 119:105



8. The last book in the Bible.

9. The Old Testament book of poetry and songs.





11. The last book in the Old Testament.

10. Who wrote the third book of the New Testament?

7. What are the first four books of the New Testament known as?

12. Which book tells the story of the spread of Christianity?



13. The Bible is also known as the

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of God.

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14. A book of the Bible named after a woman





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