

Welcome

We welcome Lucinda Cook, the Mission Apprentice for our group, as our preacher this morning

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

There are some prayers gatherings being hosted as follows:

Allerton Congregational Church, Thursday 18th January, starting at 11.30am (They are holding their regular fellowship group at 12.30pm. All are welcome to stay for fellowship and a short biblical presentation and discussion. Finishing at 1.30pm. If you're going to stay please bring your own lunch and hot drinks will be provided.)

Bethel Baptist Church, Tuesday 23rd January, starting at 11.30am

The Chosen

St Johns Clayton are showing the second season of the drama "The Chosen", following the life and ministry of Jesus. Five Sundays in a row starting on the 14th January, 4-6pm.

WEDNESDAY 17TH JANUARY

**THE SERVICE WILL BE AT ST. SAVIOUR'S NOT ST.JAMES'S
Focus Group Update**

There is a summary of what was discussed at the last Focus Group and a question sheet to consider for the next one on the board at the back of church. Dates for your diary - **21st January** (note change of date); 25th February 10.00 a.m. start; 11.15 a.m. finish - Holy Communion at **9.30 a.m.**

Wedding Anniversary Service

There is a service at Ripon Cathedral on Sunday 9th June at 3.00 p.m. for anyone who is celebrating the Golden Wedding in 2024 - or a longer time together. Tickets can be booked at email: CathedralAdmin@riponcathedral.org.uk Tel: 01765 603462

Please pray for all on our prayer list: Dermot, Eric and Wendy, Doreen, Pauline, Dennis, Tracy, Keretha and Simon and anyone known to you.

Sunday 14th January 2024

Second Sunday of Epiphany

Service: Holy Communion

Hymns:

422; 526; 283; 153

Welcome to St. Saviour's Church

(www.stsavioursfwg.org.uk)

Interim Priest-in-Charge:

Vacant

Interim Associate Minister

Revd Philippa Slingsby-Lunn (tel. 01274 49137)

Interim Assistant Curate

Revd. Daniel Furlong (tel: 07749 941348)

Churchwardens:

Mrs. Grace Studholme; Mr. John Ratnik

Children in Church

Children are most welcome to our services.

Refreshments.

Please join us for refreshments in the hall after the service.

Please take this service sheet home with you

Collect of the Day (*2nd Sunday of Epiphany*)

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Psalm 139.1-6,12-18

¹ LORD, you have searched me out and known me; * you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

² You trace my journeys and my resting-places * and are acquainted with all my ways.

³ Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, * but you, O LORD, know it altogether. ⁴ You press upon me behind and before * and lay your hand upon me. ⁵ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; * it is so high that I cannot attain to it. ¹² For you yourself created my inmost parts; * you knit me together in my mother's womb.

¹³ I will thank you because I am marvellously made; * your works are wonderful, and I know it well. ¹⁴ My body was not hidden from you, * while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

¹⁵ Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; * they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them. ¹⁶ How deep I find your thoughts, O God! * how great is the sum of them! ¹⁷ If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; * to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours. ¹⁸ I try to count them-they are more than the sand; I come to the end- I am still with you..

Matthew 2.13-21

¹³ After the wise men had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.'

¹⁴ Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, ¹⁵ and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, 'Out of Egypt I have called my son.'

¹⁶ When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was

infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men.

¹⁷ Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah: ¹⁸ 'A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they are no more.'

¹⁹ When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, ²⁰ 'Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead.'

²¹ Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel.

Post-communion (*2nd Sunday of Epiphany*)

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Activities for the week

Today	10.00 a.m. Holy Communion 11.30 a.m. PCC in the Choir Vestry 4.00 p.m. The Chosen at St. John 's
Tuesday 16th	12 noon Knit 'n' Natter 6.00 p.m. Beaver Scouts
Wednesday 17th	9.30am Holy Communion at ST. SAVIOUR'S 3.00 p.m. Primetime Junior 6.30 p.m. Cub Scouts 7.30 p.m. Scouts and Explorers
Thursday 18th	11.30 a.m. Week of Prayer at Allerton Congregational Church.
Sunday 21st	9.30 a.m. Said Holy Communion 10.15 a.m. Focus Group in hall