



Sunday 19th April 2026

<p>Today's service</p> <p>10:45 Holy Communion with Rev Patrick Douglas</p>	<p>WELCOME TO OUR service</p>	<p>Today's Reading</p>  <p>John 20:19-23</p>
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A thought from Patrick

'As the Father sent me, so I send you.'
These are Jesus' words to the disciples as he meets them in a locked room on the evening of what we now call Easter Sunday. They think he is dead, they saw his trial, some witnessed his crucifixion and death three days earlier, Then Jesus is standing with them commissioning them for the future. But what do these words mean? Jesus sends us out to proclaim the Good News and the Kingdom of God, but to do it just as he did as his Father sent him to do. What does this mean for each of you in your lives? How will you go and show Jesus to your friends, neighbours, and work colleagues, so they can meet the risen Lord just as those first disciples did?

Prayer for the week

Risen Christ,
you filled your disciples
with boldness and fresh
hope:
strengthen us to proclaim
your risen life
and fill us with your
peace,
to the glory of God the
Father. Amen

Rector's Letter April 1950

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Dear Friends,
Our Annual Meetings have now been held and have shown us 1949 as a very successful year from every point of view. The new ventures of faith and other fixtures were without exception most encouraging, and the number of workers who have been, and are, giving the most devoted service to their Church is quite beyond praise. If any incentive has been needed to go forward, that encouragement has been forthcoming in full measure.
As we draw near to the Festival of Easter, when nature is in harmony with the Divine message of triumph over sin, death and all the powers of hell, may we seek to share this inward gladness with someone near to us who is wistfully waiting to hear the fitting word which only you can speak. I have noticed over the years that when God's people hold back the life-giving message of the Gospel and cease to gossip it to others, they lose the joy of it. Those who have travelled along the Sea of Galilee and the Dead Sea observe one striking fact: the Dead Sea receives continuously the fresh supplies of water from the Sea of Galilee and the River Jordan. It is as though the Jordan is putting forth a maximum effort to help the Dead Sea to a new sweetness. But all in vain. The sweet waters of the Jordan are equally turned into the salty waters of the Dead Sea. Instead of the waters sweetening the Dead Sea, the very opposite happens, and the Dead Sea converts the sweet into the bitter every day. Along the Dead Sea shore there is scarcely any sign of bird life. The scene is one of blight and desolation. No fish swim in its waters. No living thing desires to be near its shores. Now turn to the Sea of Galilee. Here there is a freshness and a life that fills one with vigour and hope. It draws its waters from all the surrounding mountain streams, and it passes them on through the Jordan to continue its usefulness in watering the surrounding country. One a picture of death and stagnation-the other is a picture of vibrant life. Why? One receives and gives, the other receives and has no outlet. As we receive, give; as we pour out, God pours in.
Yours sincerely,
HERBERT LOGAN.

CHURCH CALENDAR



ALL SERVICES WILL BE HELD IN THE CHURCH HALL WHILST THE CHURCH IS CLOSED FOR RESTORATION WORK

Thursday 23rd April
10:30 Coffee & Conversation
 at Goseley Community Centre

Sunday 26th April
10:45 Morning Worship
SDYFC Service
 with Helen Davis

Sunday 3rd May
10:45 All-age Worship
 with Debbie Patrick

Sunday 10th May
10:45 Morning Worship
 with Nigel Worth

Sunday 17th May
10:45 Holy Communion
 with Rev Mike Firbank

Sunday 24th May
10:45 Morning Worship
 with Sean O'Toole

Reading, Intercessions and Refreshments Rota

	Reading	Intercessions	Tea/coffee
Apr 19 th	Sean	Brian	Carol
Apr 26 th	Emily	Sean	Maxine & Jane
May 3 rd	Brian	Christine	Deb W
May 10 th	Sandra	Friday HG	Gwen
May 17 th	Paul	Nigel	James
May 24 th	Jeff	Brian	Carol
May 31 st	John	Christine	Maxine & Jane

Meet & greet/Tidying after the service Rota

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Apr 19 th	Christine G - Sean	Emily
Apr 26 th	Christine T	Jean
May 3 rd	Carol J - Jeff	Jeff
May 10 th	Christine G - Sean	Emily
May 17 th	Christine T	Jean
May 24 th	Carol J - Jeff	Jeff
May 31 st	Christine G - Sean	Emily

Update on the broken clapper

Taylor's of Loughborough have provided us with a new clapper – cost £344. Hopefully this will be fitted ready for ringing before this Sunday's service.



COFFEE AND CONVERSATION



GOSELEY COMMUNITY CENTRE
THURSDAY 23rd APRIL
10.30 - 12.00

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Seen in Scotland

During our recent trip to Scotland, we found ourselves in the city of Dundee - home to the legendary HMS

Discovery, on which Scott and Shackleton sailed to Antarctica, and the striking V&A Dundee, an architectural marvel perched beside the River Tay.

I particularly enjoyed the Thread Memory: Embroidery from Palestine exhibition, which showcased tatreez - intricate hand embroidery with styles unique to each region of Palestine. Traditionally, a woman's dress reflected her personal story through its design and motifs,



capturing social and cultural changes. Even today, Palestinian women continue passing down these embroidery techniques in refugee camps.