EGLWYS SANT ASA LLANELWY SAINT ASAPH PARISH CHURCH



THE SUNDAY SHEET BARNABAS, APOSTLE IITH JUNE 2023

A very warm welcome as we gather for the Parish Eucharist.

An induction loop is provided.

Gluten free wafers are available for those who need them. Please inform one of the stewards/sidespersons who will pass the information on to the clergy. Many thanks

Entrance Hymn

God, we praise you! God, we bless you! God, we name you sovereign Lord! Mighty King whom angels worship, Father, by your church adored: all creation shows your glory, heaven and earth draw near your throne singing 'Holy, holy, holy, Lord of hosts, and God alone!'

True apostles, faithful prophets, saints who set their world ablaze, martyrs, once unknown, unheeded, join one growing song of praise, while your church on earth confesses one majestic Trinity:
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
God, our hope eternally.

Jesus Christ, the King of glory, everlasting Son of God, humble was your virgin mother, hard the lonely path you trod: by your cross is sin defeated, hell confronted face to face, heaven opened to believers, sinners justified by grace.

Christopher Idle b. 1938

Tune: Blaenwern

The order of service can be found in the Eucharist Booklet

THE COLLECT

Bountiful God, giver of all gifts, who poured your Spirit upon your servant Barnabas and gave him grace to encourage others: help us, by his example, to be generous in our judgements and unselfish in our service; 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. **Amen.**

ACTS 11. 19-30

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Now those who were scattered because of the persecution that took place over Stephen travelled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus, and Antioch, and they spoke the word to no one except Jews. But among them were some men of Cyprus and Cyrene who, on coming to Antioch, spoke to the Hellenists also, proclaiming the Lord Jesus. The hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number became believers and turned to the Lord. News of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he came and saw the grace of God, he rejoiced, and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast devotion; for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were brought to the Lord. Then Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul, and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. So it was that for an entire year they associated with the church and taught a great many people, and it was in Antioch that the disciples were first called 'Christians'.

At that time prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. One of them named Agabus stood up and predicted by the Spirit that there would be a severe famine over all the world; and this took place during the reign of Claudius. The disciples determined that

according to their ability, each would send relief to the believers living in Judea; this they did, sending it to the elders by Barnabas and Saul.

For the word of the Lord:

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL Please Stand

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed apostles sing praise, prophets and martyrs give glory: 'For your majesty praise the Spirit, praise the Son!'.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Fintan O'Carroll 1922-1981 & Christopher Walker b.1947 Tune: Celtic Alleluia

John 15. 12-17

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

After the Sermon please turn to the Eucharist booklet for the Affirmation of Faith

OFFERTORY HYMN

Alleluia, sing to Jesus! his the sceptre, his the throne; Alleluia, his the triumph, his the victory alone: hark, the songs of peaceful Sion thunder like a mighty flood; Jesus out of every nation hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia, not as orphans are we left in sorrow now; Alleluia, he is near us, faith believes, nor questions how: though the cloud from sight received him, when the forty days were o'er, shall our hearts forget his promise, "I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia, bread of angels, thou on earth our food, our stay; Alleluia, here the sinful flee to thee from day to day: Intercessor, Friend of sinners, earth's Redeemer, plead for me, where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia, King eternal, thee the Lord of lords we own; Alleluia, born of Mary, earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne: thou within the veil hast entered, robed in flesh, our great High Priest; thou on earth both Priest and Victim in the eucharistic feast.

William Chatterton Dix 1837-1898

Tune: Hyfrydol

Prayer over the Gifts

Living God, whose servant Barnabas brought relief to those in need and encouragement to the faint-hearted, by this sacrament satisfy our hunger and strengthen our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please turn to the Eucharist Booklet for the Eucharistic Prayer

Hymn at the end of Communion

Dear Christ, uplifted from the earth, your arms stretched out above through every culture, every birth, to draw an answering love.

Still east and west your love extends and always, near and far, you call and claim us as your friends and love us as we are.

Where age and gender, class and race, divide us to our shame, you see a person and a face, a neighbour with a name.

May we, accepted as we are, yet called in grace to grow, reach out to others, near and far, your healing love to show.

Brian Wren b.1936 Tune: St Botolph

Please turn to the Eucharist Booklet

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FINAL HYMN

Ye watchers and ye holy ones, bright seraphs, cherubim and thrones, raise the glad strain, alleluia. Cry out, dominions, princedoms, pow'rs, virtues, archangels, angels' choirs. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O higher than the cherubim, more glorious than the seraphim, lead their praises, alleluia. O Mary, bearer of the Word, most gracious, magnify the Lord:

Respond, ye souls in endless rest, ye patriarchs and prophets blest, alleluia, alleluia. Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong, all saints triumphant, raise the song:

O friends in gladness let us sing, supernal anthems echoing, alleluia, alleluia,.
To God the Father, God the Son and God the Spirit, Three in One:

John Athelstan Riley 1858-1945 Tune: Lasst Uns Erfreuen

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Notices

Refreshments. Please do join us for refreshments after the service if you can.

Foodbank. The Foodbank box is now back in the Parish Church. Donations gratefully received.

Praying for Growth. Please pray for the growth and renewal of the Church here in this place. Here is the Leading Your Church into Growth Prayer (card copies are available at the back of the Church):

God of Mission,

Who alone brings growth to your Church,
Send your Holy Spirit to give
Vision to our planning,
Wisdom to our actions,
Joy to our worship,
And power to our witness.
Help our church to grow in numbers,
In spiritual commitment to you,
And in service to our local community,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Community Fridge takes place every Sunday from 5-7pm at the Parish Church.

LYCiG. The next meeting of the LYCiG Group will take place on Tuesday 20th June at 10am in the Church Vestry. New people always welcome!

THE WEEK AHEAD

12th Monday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer9.30am Holy Eucharist5pm Evening Prayer

13th Tuesday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer5pm Evening Prayer6pm Holy Eucharist

14th Wednesday – Basil the Great

9am Morning Prayer 10.30am Holy Eucharist 5pm Evening Prayer

15th Thursday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer 10am Holy Eucharist at the Parish Church 11am Prayer Group at the Parish Church 5pm Evening Prayer 7pm Singing Group at the Parish Church

16th Friday – Richard, Bishop

9am Morning Prayer9.30am Offeren (Welsh Eucharist)6pm Choral Evensong

17th Saturday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer5pm Evening Prayer

18th Sunday – Trinity 2

9.30am All-Age/Family Eucharist at the Parish Church

9.30am Holy Eucharist *at St Mary's Cefn* 11am The Cathedral Eucharist 3.30pm Choral Evensong

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