

The Benefice of Clavering, Langley, Arkesden,
Wicken Bonhunt, Manuden and Berden

Breakfast Service

25th July 2021

Welcome, Notices and Introduction

Hymn

- 1 Come, let us join our cheerful songs
with angels round the throne;
ten thousand thousand are their tongues,
but all their joys are one.
- 2 'Worthy the Lamb that died,' they cry, 4 Let all that dwell above the sky,
'to be exalted thus; and air, and earth, and seas,
'Worthy the Lamb, our lips reply, conspire to lift thy glories high,
for he was slain for us.' and speak thine endless praise.
- 3 Jesus is worthy to receive 5 The whole creation joins in one
honour and power divine; to bless the sacred name
and blessings, more than we can give, of him that sits upon the throne,
be, Lord, for ever thine. and to adore the Lamb.

Opening Prayers

O Lord, open our lips

All **and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Your faithful servants bless you.

All **They make known the glory of your kingdom.**

Blessed are you, Sovereign God,
ruler and judge of all,
to you be praise and glory for ever.
In the darkness of this age that is passing away
may the light of your presence, which the saints enjoy,
surround our steps as we journey on.
May we reflect your glory this day
and so be made ready to see your face i
n the heavenly city where night shall be no more.
Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

Bible Reading – *Matthew 13.1-3a, 10-17*

Talk – 'He told them many things in parables'
from *The Parables* by Paula Gooder

Discussion

Ground Rules

- Make sure that everybody in your room has been introduced.
- Offer everybody on your table a chance to speak.
- Don't feel compelled to share personal information that you are not comfortable with revealing, but do try and think about your own experience while others are speaking.
- Respect reticence on the part of others.
- Please do not share what is talked about here outside.

Questions

- How many parables can you remember? Name them.
- What makes these parables so memorable?
- Which parables do you find difficult and why?

Canticle

All **The Lord has anointed me
and sent me to bring good news to the oppressed.**

I The Spirit of the Lord is upon me
because he has anointed me.

- 2 He has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed,
to bind up the broken-hearted,
- 3 To proclaim liberty to the captives,
and the opening of the prison to those who are bound;
- 4 To proclaim the year of the Lord's favour,
to comfort all who mourn,
- 5 To give them a garland instead of ashes,
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,
the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit,
- 6 That they may be called oaks of righteousness,
the planting of the Lord, that he may be glorified.
- 7 For as the earth puts forth her blossom,
and as seeds in the garden spring up,
- 8 So shall the Lord God make righteousness and praise
blossom before all the nations.
- 9 You shall be called priests of the Lord;
they shall speak of you as ministers of our God.

Isaiah 61.1-3, 11, 6a

All **Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

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and sent me to bring good news to the oppressed.**

Prayers

Lord, in your mercy

All **hear our prayer.**

And at the end

Merciful Father,

All **accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

The Collect

Merciful God,
whose holy apostle Saint James,
leaving his father and all that he had,
was obedient to the calling of your Son Jesus Christ
and followed him even to death:
help us, forsaking the false attractions of the world,
to be ready at all times to answer your call without delay;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father ...

Hymn

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| <p>1 O praise ye, the Lord,
praise him in the height;
rejoice in his word,
ye angels of light;
ye heavens adore him
by whom ye were made,
and worship before him,
in brightness arrayed.</p> | <p>3 O praise ye, the Lord,
all things that give sound;
each jubilant chord,
re-echo around;
loud organs, his glory
forth tell in deep tone,
and sweet harp, the story
of what he hath done.</p> |
| <p>2 O praise ye, the Lord,
praise him upon earth,
in tuneful accord,
children of new birth;
praise him who hath brought you
his grace from above;
praise him who hath taught you
to sing of his love.</p> | <p>4 O praise ye, the Lord,
thanksgiving and song
to him be outpoured
all ages along:
for love in creation,
for heaven restored,
for grace of salvation,
O praise ye, the Lord!</p> |

Dismissal

May the Spirit kindle in us the fire of God's love.

All **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**