

Parishes of Kirkby Ireleth and Broughton & Duddon

THE SUNDAY SUPPLEMENT

1ST JUNE – EASTER 7

Service of the Word

Hymns

105 Christ whose glory fills the skies
964 Gloria
332 I, the Lord of sea and sky
580 Rejoice the Lord is King
219 God is our strength and refuge

Collect

Risen, ascended Lord,
as we rejoice at your triumph,
fill your Church on earth with power and
compassion,
that all who are estranged by sin
may find forgiveness and know your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.

Amen

First reading - Christine

Acts 16. 16 - 34

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and

ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night, he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 97

- 1 The Lord is king! Let the earth rejoice;
let the many coastlands be glad!
- 2 Clouds and thick darkness are all around him;
righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.
- 3 Fire goes before him,
and consumes his adversaries on every side.
- 4 His lightnings light up the world;

the earth sees and trembles.
 5 The mountains melt like wax before the Lord,
 before the Lord of all the earth.
 6 The heavens proclaim his righteousness;
 and all the peoples behold his glory.
 7 All worshippers of images are put to shame,
 those who make their boast in worthless idols;
 all gods bow down before him.
 8 Zion hears and is glad,
 and the towns of Judah rejoice,
 because of your judgements, O God.
 9 For you, O Lord, are most high over all the earth;
 you are exalted far above all gods.
 10 The Lord loves those who hate evil;
 he guards the lives of his faithful;
 he rescues them from the hand of the wicked.
 11 Light dawns for the righteous,
 and joy for the upright in heart.
 12 Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous,
 and give thanks to his holy name!

New Testament reading - Allison

Revelation 22. 12 – 14, 16 – 17, 20 - 21

'See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me,
 to repay according to everyone's work. I am
 the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last,
 the beginning and the end.'

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that
 they will have the right to the tree of life and
 may enter the city by the gates.

'It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this
 testimony for the churches. I am the root and
 the descendant of David, the bright morning
 star.'

The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.'
 And let everyone who hears say, 'Come.'
 And let everyone who is thirsty come.
 Let anyone who wishes take the water of
 life as a gift.

The one who testifies to these things says,
 'Surely I am coming soon.'

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the
 saints. Amen.

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The Gospel reading - Chris

John 17. 20 - 26

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
 according to John*

Glory to you, O Lord.

'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on
 behalf of those who will believe in me through
 their word, that they may all be one. As you,
 Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also
 be in us, so that the world may believe that you
 have sent me. The glory that you have given me
 I have given them, so that they may be one, as
 we are one, I in them and you in me, that they
 may become completely one, so that the world
 may know that you have sent me and have
 loved them even as you have loved me. Father,
 I desire that those also, whom you have given
 me, may be with me where I am, to see my
 glory, which you have given me because you
 loved me before the foundation of the world.

'Righteous Father, the world does not know
 you, but I know you; and these know that you
 have sent me. I made your name known to
 them, and I will make it known, so that the love
 with which you have loved me may be in them,
 and I in them.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.



*Christ Monogram with Alpha and Omega
 Mosaic, 1st-4th centuries
 Sousse Archaeological Museum*