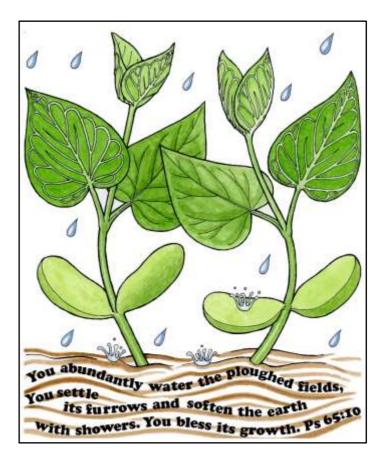


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Vicar's Letter

Dear Friends,

Easter Day this year fell on Sunday 31st March. It is traditional to open our Easter Sunday service with the Easter Acclamation "Alleluia, Christ is risen." And the gathered congregation replies with gusto; **"He is risen indeed. Alleluia, alleluia."**

Between Easter Sunday and Whitsunday (Pentecost) we have 50 days in which the church celebrates the Easter Season. During this time our bible readings look at the encounters that Jesus had with his disciples, after his resurrection on that first Easter day, and the arrival of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

Prior to his Ascension (40 days after the first Easter Day) many of the stories reflect the confusion and sadness of the disciples who often at first sight were unable to recognise the presence of their risen Lord.

But he was then often recognised in the small gestures, such as the way Jesus spoke in a familiar way to Mary in the garden, which meant that she was then able to recognise that the person she thought was just a gardener was in fact Jesus himself.

Or on the evening of that same day, when two disciples were returning home, they too had witnessed the crucifixion, and were also at a loss as to where Jesus had gone, where he was in the midst of all this suffering and pain.

Whilst walking they were joined by a Man, whom they thought was a stranger travelling the same route. The two disciples shared their story with this travelling companion, all their feelings of grief and confusion and as they reached the village the disciples extended the hand of hospitality and asked the stranger to join them for a meal. As the stranger took the bread, blessed it and broke it, the disciples suddenly recognised that the companion who had walked alongside was indeed the risen Jesus!

And I think it is the same for us – he is not always visible at first glance but he is often present in the small gestures, maybe that act of kindness that is made towards us when we need it most, or perhaps in the nature that surrounds us, such as the barn owl that takes us by surprise or the recent sightings of the Aurora Borealis (Northern Lights) which make us recognise that the Creator God surrounds us and is indeed with us.

Jesus promised his followers, although they would not see him after his Ascension, they would receive the Holy Spirit to guide and inspire them. And the church celebrates this on Whitsunday also known as the Day of Pentecost.

The story recorded in the book of the Bible titled the 'Acts of the Apostles' describes how the crowds gathered in Jerusalem - representing many nationalities and speaking many languages – were able to hear the disciples preaching and teaching about Jesus in their own language. The beginnings of what we have come to know as the church a community of Christ's followers.

It may not be easy to see, or recognise at times, but the risen Christ is amongst us and walking alongside us in all the chaos of human life. We may need to ask him to show us where he is or ask that we can see him more clearly but let us be assured, just like the disciples were, that he is not gone but that he is risen indeed!

We hope to see you at our services across the Benefice, this Easter Season, or at our Deanery Service on Ascension Day at Jervaulx Abbey.

Yours in Christ Penny

Dates for your Diary... Church Coffee Morning

10.30am -12 noon, Redmire Village Hall Wednesday 3rd April Wednesday 1st May

Church Afternoon Tea

2-4pm, Redmire Village Hall Wednesday 17th April Wednesday 15th May

Benefice Prayer Fellowship

7.30pm, Aysgarth Institute Tuesday 23rd April Tuesday 28th May

Easter Coffee Morning

Monday 1st April at Thornton Rust Institute All proceeds are in aid of The Samaritans Charity **Our Food for Thought Evenings in Lent** raised a fantastic **£320** for Tear Fund and **£380** for 'Flourishing Families Leeds'. Thank you very much to everyone who donated and worked hard to make the evenings such a success!

<u>Bishop Anna</u>, spoke of the climate crisis that's affecting us already - and with strong encouragement to continue with steps to mitigate the effects and the prayer that the church should be in the vanguard of this effort.

The 'elephant in the room' is our consumer led lifestyle ... we find it hard significantly to change our behaviour to the degree needed.

Other 'elephants' were raised in our dialogue - a sense of futility that discourages; the loss of focus of late - both politically and personally; and the complexity of the issue, for example, lithium mining for the electric car industry is itself hugely polluting and requires large quantities of water.

However, we looked for positives to stiffen our resolve:

- The fact that all change begins with a few enthusiasts who mobilise others ...
- that a mindset change is already afoot, for example in recycling and in switching to renewable energy;
- and entrepreneurial initiatives such as those supported in the Prince of Wales' "Earthshot" project (see <u>earthshotprize.org</u>)

<u>Richard and Liz Thomas</u>, in our second evening were inspirational in telling of a fairly new project: – Flourishing Families Leeds ...

Begun in 2017, the charity has been so effective in school-based cooking clubs, literacy projects and supporting those with low wellbeing and self-esteem that they have already been awarded the King's Award for Voluntary Service. (see **flourishingfamiliesleeds.com**)

They are aiming to break the generational cycle of poverty and deprivation that leads to crime and wasted lives. Rick and Liz told stories of individuals who had found the help to help themselves and turn a corner – with some also finding a living Christian faith along the way –

Our renewed thanks to both our speakers for spending time with us and giving us such stimulating 'Food for Thought'!

Prayer Topics For April and May

BBC Radio's weekday act of worship; this 'Daily Service' is available on 'BBC Radio 4 Extra' at 9:45 until 10:00 and is a short Christian service broadcast live on DAB, on line, or on BBC Sounds.

Some prayers are just one line. Peter cried out 'Save me Lord!'

A selection of short prayers from the Bible

•Have mercy on us, Son of David. Matthew 20:31.

•Lord, help me. *Matthew 15:25*.

•Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. Luke 23:39-43.

•When I am afraid, I put my trust in you. Psalm 56:3

•But when he (Peter) saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord, save me. (*Matt. 14:30*)

•To you O Lord, I lift my soul, in you I trust, O my God. Show me your ways, O Lord, teach me your paths, guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savour and my hope is in you all day long. (*Psalm 24:1,4-5*)

Other Short Prayers:

Lord, may we who have plenty, live simply so that others may simply live.
God as I wake today, give me eyes to see the blessings that surround me.
Amen.

O Lord. Let us not live to be useless, for Christ's sake. Amen (John Wesley)
Dear God. Be good to me. The sea is so wide and my boat is so small. (Breton Fishermen Prayer)

•Lord, Here is my life, I place it on the altar today. Use it as you will. (Albert Schweitzer)

Morning Prayer: Dear Lord, as I begin this day, I offer it to you. Guide my steps, fill me with your love, and help me to shine your light in the world.

Prayer for Healing: Healer of all, touch those who are suffering and bring your comforting and restorative presence to their lives

Prayer for Peace: Prince of Peace, bring tranquillity to my heart and to the troubled places of the world. Let your peace reign.

Gratitude Prayer: Thank you God, for the blessings in my life. I am grateful for your love, grace and the people who surround me.

Evening Prayer: Lord, as this day ends, I thank you for your presence and guidance. Grant me restful sleep and renew my strength for tomorrow. **Amen**

Day of encouragement held in Wensley Deanery



Barnabas: Encouraging Confidence is the way in which the Diocese of Leeds wants to support churches to move forward in mission, ministry and sustainability, in a way that is prayerful, intentional and, within the grace of God, possible.

Some 50 people representing all the Benefices and groups of churches across Wensley Deanery in the Ripon area came together recently for a day of encouragement linked to our Barnabas: Encouraging Confidence work.

The Revd Gillian Lunn, Curate in the Benefice of Leyburn and Bellerby said: "The day included some time of worship, praying for all that is happening across the deanery, and a time of



sharing where we see God at work in our communities and in our churches.

"This includes our schools work, new congregations, pastoral care and missional work. We also shared where we could appreciate support and encouragement from each other, and the wider Diocese of Leeds, including in areas of buildings and governance."

Wensley Deanery stretches from Ainderby Steeple to Hawes, and Wath to Leyburn, covering an area of 240 square miles, made up primarily of villages, market towns and rural areas.

Dates for the Annual I around that church meetings (Ar em)				
PCC	Time	Date	Venue	
Aysgarth	7pm	17 th April	St Andrew's Church	
Bolton cum Redmire	7pm	1 st May	St Mary's Church	
Preston with Wensley	10.30am	30 th April	Preston Village Hall	
West Witton	After 9.30am	28 th April	St Bartholomew's	
	service		Church	

Dates for the Annual Parochial Church Meetings (APCM)

Anyone on the Electoral Roll of the church can attend the APCM. If any church Electoral Roll members are unable to attend but would like a copy of the Annual Report please email <u>penhill.benefice@btconnect.</u>com or tel. 624542.

Church Services: In case of bad weather, please check our website penhillbenefice.co.uk/services for updates. **Phone services** - dial 0333 0110 946 and enter room number 61337190# and PIN 7450# (local charges apply)

Sunday April 7th

9.30 am	Telephone Service
9.30 am	Holy Communion, St Margaret's, Preston under Scar
9.30 am	Morning Prayer, St Mary's, Redmire
11.00 am	Holy Communion, St Andrew's, Aysgarth
11.00 am	Holy Communion, St Bartholomew's, West Witton

Sunday April 14th

9.30 am	Telephone Service
10.30 am	Holy Communion Penhill Together Service,
	at St Bartholomew's, West Witton

Sunday April 21st

9.30 am	Telephone Service
9.30 am	Holy Communion, St Margaret's, Preston under Scar
9.30 am	Holy Communion, St Mary's, Redmire
11.00 am	Holy Communion, St Andrew's, Aysgarth
11.00 am	Morning Prayer, St Bartholomew's, West Witton

Sunday April 28th

9.30 am	Telephone Service
9.30 am	Holy Communion, St Bartholomew's, West Witton
11.00 am	Morning Prayer, St Andrew's, Aysgarth
4.00 pm	Evening Prayer, Thornton Rust Mission Room

April Mid-Week Services: Holy Communion at 9.30am on Thursday 11th & 25th April at St Bartholmew's, West Witton

Wensleydale Filling Station

7pm, Friday 12th April Thornborough Hall, Moor Road, Leyburn DL8 5AB Speaker: Graham Emmerson from Church in the Barn, Penrith 7pm, 10th May with Speaker Phil Ireson from Sheffield. Contact: 07714 204024 <u>mikehirst3@gmail.com</u>

Wensleydale Concert Series 2024

Pull-out leaflet and Booking Form



Herschel Trio

As we begin our 9th year of concerts at St. Andrew's Church, we are proud to bring you an ambitious programme of EIGHT concerts between May and September. Our concerts feature musicians with international reputations and a wonderfully diverse programme of music.

Full details of all our concerts can be found at our website:

www.wensleydaleconcertseries.co.uk

Tickets can be purchased online (please visit our website), by phone on 0333 666 3366 (quote date, artist name(s) and Wensleydale Concert Series) or by post using the booking form in this leaflet.

Concert Diary 2024

Saturday 11th May - Jervaulx Singers Conducted by Charlie Gower-Smith

A Yorkshire-based professional soloist choir including singers from across the UK from choral and operatic traditions will perform **Brahms – A German Requiem** accompanied by Brahms's own 4-hand piano version of the score. The two solo parts are performed by members of the choir.

Saturday 15th June - Daniel Grimwood & Yasmin Rowe

A four-hand piano recital featuring works by Franz Schubert and Anton Rubinstein and featuring Stravinsky's wild and dramatic *Rite of Spring*

Friday 21st June – Nazrin Rashidova & Daniel Grimwood

A Violin and Piano Recital with works by Arvo Pärt, Grieg, Godowsky, Moszkowski, Szymanowski, Émile Sauret and Ethel Barns

Saturday 6th July – Benjamin Frith & Heidi Rolfe

A husband and wife four-hand piano recital including music by Field, Satie, Schubert and Brahms and featuring *Rimsky-Korsakov's - Scheherazade*

Saturday 27th July – The Herschel Trio

Named after the famous astronomer, and North-East composer, the Herschel Trio (flutes, harpsichord and viol) is bringing us a baroque performance entitled "Baroque Britannia!" including works by Handel, Arne, Purcell and Finger with traditional airs by Oswald, O'Carolan, together with Welsh airs and a North/North-East connection with Avison, Garth, and Herschel.

Saturday 17th August - Ashley Fripp, piano

Internationally recognised pianist, Ashely Fripp is performing Schubert/Liszt transcriptions from Schwanengesang, a selection of JS Bach Preludes and Fugues from the Well-Tempered Clavier (Book 1) and two late Beethoven sonatas.

Saturday 7th September - Tango Siempre

Tango Siempre have toured the UK and Europe since 1998 with projects ranging from traditional tango dance shows to collaborations with orchestras, contemporary dance companies and jazz musicians. They are unique in having three composers/arrangers within the band. Their repertoire consists exclusively of original compositions and of music that they have transcribed and arranged from historical recordings of the great Argentinian orchestras and of Astor Piazzolla's Nuevo Tango ensembles.

Saturday 21st September - Vitaly Pisarenko

Russian pianist Vitaly Pisarenko is in great demand and has performed in over 30 countries in solo recitals and as concerto soloist with major orchestras. He was the winner of the 8th International Franz Liszt Piano Competition in Utrecht and took 3rd prize in the Leeds Piano competition in 2015. His programme will include works by Liszt and Schubert.

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All concerts are at 7.30pm in St Andrew's Church, Aysgarth Tickets are £20 or £1 (for under 18s and full-time students) at the door or £18/£1 when purchase in advance. You can order tickets with a printed programme for £1.50 extra. Heavily discounted season tickets available.

Parking is £1.50 at the Pay and Display carpark (there is limited disabled parking at the church – please let us know on 01969 663026 in advance.)

Wensleydale Concert Series - Booking form 2024

Adults £18, Under 18 and Full-Time Students £1 (plus £1.50 if you wish to order a printed programme for a concert). For season tickets and season programme discounts see below.

Name: Address:	 	
Postcode:	 	
Telephone: Email:	 	

All info is REQUIRED. Tickets are delivered by email or collected at the door.

Concert	Ticket		Prog.	Total
	£18	£1	£1.50	
Choir - Sat May 11th				
Piano 4-hands - June 15th				
Violin/Piano – FRI June 21st				
Piano 4-hands - July 6th				
Herschel Trio - July 27th				
Piano - Aug 17th				
Tango Siempre - Sept 7th				
Piano - Sept 21st				
Season Tickets until 11th May 2024 - not transferable Please supply a name for each ticket.	£97	£8	£8	
Patron's Gift (£30 / £50 / other) * please complete GiftAid section				
Total Enclosed (please make cheques payable to "Wensleydale Concert Series")				

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Sunday May 5th

- 9.30 am Telephone Service
- 9.30 am Holy Communion, St Margaret's, Preston under Scar
- 9.30 am Morning Prayer, St Mary's, Redmire
- 11.00 am Holy Communion, St Andrew's, Aysgarth
- 11.00 am Holy Communion, St Bartholomew's, West Witton

Ascension Day

7pm, Thursday 9th May

Holy Communion Service Bishop Anna will preach and preside at Jervaulx Abbey (East Witton Church if wet weather)

Sunday May 12th

- 9.30 am Telephone Service
- 10.30 amHoly Communion Penhill Together Service,
St Margaret's, Preston under Scar

Sunday May 19th

- 9.30 am Telephone Service
- 9.30 am Holy Communion, St Margaret's, Preston under Scar
- 9.30 am Holy Communion, St Mary's, Redmire
- 11.00 am Holy Communion, St Andrew's, Aysgarth
- 11.00 am Morning Prayer, St Bartholomew's, West Witton

Sunday May 26th TRINITY SUNDAY

Note there is a service at Holy Trinity Church, Wensley today

- 9.30 am Telephone Service
- 9.30 am Holy Communion, St Bartholomew's, West Witton
- 11.00 am Morning Prayer, St Andrew's, Aysgarth
- 11.00 am Holy Communion, Holy Trinity, Wensley
- 4.00 pm Evening Prayer, Thornton Rust Mission Room

May Mid-Week Services: Holy Communion at 9.30am on Thursday 9th & 23rd May at St Bartholomew's, West Witton

Hymns and their Tunes "Thine be the Glory" and "Maccabaeus"

I imagine that every church in the benefice will sing or will have sung "Thine be the Glory" on Easter Sunday. This hymn, and "Jesus Christ is risen today" are the two established fixed points of Easter Sunday worship.

The tune preceded the words by about a century. It was composed by George Frederic Handel and originally for his oratorio "Joshua". It was published in 1748 but it became such a hit that Handel incorporated into the score of "Judas Maccabaeus" composed in the previous year. Composers did that sort of thing extensively in those days. (Handel was extremely commercially aware irrespective of his strong Christian beliefs.)

The tune, appropriately, is now titled "Maccabaeus" but the original words of the chorus were" See the conquering hero comes" which in itself would not be out of line with the current hymn, and its celebration of Jesus' Resurrection. (The tune, with the original words, was also seen as a tribute to the brutal victory of the Duke of Cumberland's forces against the Jacobites at Culloden in 1746. He and Handel were certainly acquainted.) The chorus in fact celebrates the return of the Jews to Jerusalem in 164BC. The original hymn text was in French and written in 1884 by Edmond Louis Budry (1854-1932). He was a Protestant pastor in the French speaking Swiss canton of Vaud, and it was possibly inspired by the very early death of his wife. It was not translated into English until 1923 when Richard Birch Hoyle (1875-1939) received specific permission from Budry.

It was a late addition therefore to English hymnbooks, and it's first appearance may well have been in the 1933 edition of the Methodist hymnbook. From then onwards it was taken up by many successive hymnodies. As a choir boy from 1952 onwards, I do not recall it being in the editions of Hymns Ancient and Modern which my Clayton Bradford church choir was then using.

Interestingly the copyright was granted by Budry to the World Student Christian Federation and this organisation held it until its expiry. No doubt it acted as a useful source of income over that period to further their particular mission. The hymn has a relevance beyond Easter. It appears in the listing of suitable funeral service hymns within the Church of England though I cannot recall ever playing it on such occasions. It was, however, sung at the Commemoration of the late Queen's 80th birthday. That suggests it was one of her favourites.

Finally, a puzzle. The tune is said to have been used to accompany Charles Wesley's Easter hymn "Christ the Lord is risen today". Try as I might. I cannot make it fit at all. Let's just rejoice in what we know and relish the great message the hymn proclaims! *Geoff Hirst*

Christian Aid Week 12th -18th May 2024

As in previous years there will be a Christian Aid collection envelope delivered with this edition of the Penhill Beacon. There will be a drop off address for donations on the envelope. *Thank you.*



Life in Burundi

In Burundi, malnourishment and poverty affect more than 70% of the population, making survival a daily struggle. Jobs and food are hard to come by, and those who have homes often have no electricity or running water.

For Aline, life was a constant struggle. She was married young and gave birth to her eldest son, Fisto, when she was just 14 years old. Aline experienced constant

abuse at the hands of her violent husband.

A few years later, Aline faced even more devastation. Her husband married another woman, forcing Aline to flee. He prevented her from taking their children with her, and in a further act of cruelty, told the local community that Aline was mentally ill and unable to care for her children.

'I wandered the streets, asking anyone for a place to sleep. Those who showed me kindness would let me stay for two or three days, but it was difficult. People would insult me and treat me with contempt. They forgot I was a human being. It filled me with sorrow'- Aline Nibogora. **How Christian Aid stepped in** -Hungry, scorned and alone, Aline took her first step towards her new life. She started by participating in a transformative three-day community workshop, funded by Christian Aid.

'I came out with amazing knowledge and skills. The trainer restored a sense of hope and energy in me,' says Aline.

She was taught how to form a Village Savings and Loans Association (VSLA) and establish a steady income. VSLAs mean people can save for their future and borrow money to kickstart small rural businesses. With all she had learned, Aline's dream of getting her children back finally felt possible.

Building a business - With a small start-up loan, Aline started trading avocados and peanuts locally. With her profits, she bought a bicycle so she could transport greater quantities of goods to markets further afield. Eventually, her hard work had finally paid off, and she had earned the money she needed to rent a house.

Once Aline secured a home for herself, her three eldest sons were able to escape their father and join her. They told Aline that their father had abused them and sent their three young siblings to live with different members of his family.

Aline still hopes that she'll be reunited with her youngest children in time. Today, Aline lives peacefully on her own plot of land in a remote village in the Kayogoro Commune in Makamba Province. She's baked her own bricks and is building a strong home for her and her children in every sense.

Now Aline can afford food, clothes and essential healthcare for her family. She's also purchased solar panels so her children can do their evening homework by electric light.

'I like to feed my family with the produce that I grow, such as beans, vegetables and corn. I am so happy that we are together. Now my children feel supported as they have a parent who can meet their needs' says Aline. *Photo and article courtesy of Christian Aid.*

Swaledale Festival Concerts

St Andrew's Church, Aysgarth Sunday 26th May at 4-5pm Event no. 6 Echo Vocal Ensemble: Sweet Harmony Adults £16; Under 25s £3

Tuesday 28th May at 4-5pm Event no. 13 Xiaowen Shang Young piano prodigy Adults £16; Under 25s £3

> Tuesday 28 May at 7.30 – 9.30pm Event no. 14 – Leyburn Band

Adults £10; Under 25s £3

For Swaledale Festival enquiries please contact: enquiries@swalefest.org Office number: 01748 880018. Box office: 01748 880019.

The Wild Coverdale Flower Festival

Coverham Church Holy Trinity DL8 4RN **Friday 31st May** - Tickets: £25 7pm drinks reception and music from Kathryn Tickell and Amy Thatcher

> Saturday 1st June – Tickets £15 for afternoon or morning 10.30-12.30pm 2.30-4.30pm Refreshments and sustainable flower demonstrations The afternoon is a repeat of the morning Contact <u>io@caldbergh.com</u> 07730700461 or <u>harrietcorner@btinternet.com</u> 07710899589

Those typos in the church news sheet...

The church's AGM will be hell on 22nd April.

While the pastor is on holiday, massages can be given to the church secretary.

More sinners wanted for the choir.

From a church magazine: "The restoration of the churchyard was finally completed by the resurfacing of our driveway. The following Sunday, the church wardens praised everyone who had helped, and gave special thanks to the vicar and his wife who had rolled in the gravel.

Reflecting faith – The Lectern

Have you ever considered the furniture that we have in our churches?

Close your eyes and think what your own sitting room looks like and the furniture you have chosen to go in there. Most of us will have chairs, a sofa, one or more tables of different sizes, a fireplace and a television. Which way are the chairs facing? What's the focal point?

Churches are no different in that they have most fixtures and fittings in common, and in set places.

In an Anglican church the focal item is the altar at the centre, with the lectern – from where the Bible is read out loud during services – on the right side as you look at it, and a pulpit on the left-hand side.

In a Methodist church the pulpit is often behind, but built higher than the altar, and probably with a mobile lectern to be placed as chosen.

This demonstrates a key difference between the two denominations. The former holds the bread and wine in greater importance whilst the latter gives that status to the preaching and the Word of God.

Such variations reveal the way in which we 'reflect our faith' through our buildings.

The word 'lectern' derives from 'to collect, gather', and again, 'to speak', so together it means 'to gather words, to pick out words.'

The words in church which we read from the lectern have been certainly carefully chosen and then written down. There have been centuries, indeed millennia, of time, thought, prayer and energy going into preparing the Bibles that we read today!

It is a privilege to be asked to read from the Bible during a service, as that will form the basis for the sermon, the hymns and indeed the whole theme for that day or even that week.

This month: Have a look at the lectern in your place of worship or the place where the Bible readings are read from. What material is it made from? What shape is it? Does it have any distinctive features? Then consider how that passage or those passages are continued and expanded through the different elements of the service. *Courtesy of Parish Pump* Editor.

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