

The Parish Church of St Martin Bowness-on-Windermere



ST MARTIN'S
You're always welcome

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity
31st August 2025

A loop system is in operation for hearing aid users with a 'T' switch.
Large print copies of this sheet and the hymn book are available. Please ask if you would like one.

*Living Lord, as we offer to you our common life,
refresh our vision that we may know your will
and seek to follow in all your ways.*

*May we follow daily as your disciples,
care deeply for one another in community,
speak boldly your gospel word of love,
and tread gently as faithful stewards of your goodness.*

*We ask this in the power of your holy name,
Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer of our lives, today and for ever. Amen*

A warm welcome to you all, especially to anyone visiting this morning.

Collect and Post Communion for the Eleventh Sunday after Trinity.

Collect

God of glory,
the end of our searching,
help us to lay aside
all that prevents us
from seeking your kingdom,
and to give all that we have
to gain the pearl beyond all price,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of all mercy,
we your faithful people
have celebrated that one true sacrifice
which takes away our sins and brings
pardon and peace:
by our communion
keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel
and preserve us from all sin;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

10.00 a.m.

Holy Communion

President/Preacher: The Revd James Richards

Hymn 172

Fill your hearts with joy and gladness

Gloria (t. 672)

Glory to God! Our hearts to you we raise!
Joy and peace on earth, in highest heaven praise!
Songs of adoration, Lord, to you we bring,
Praising your great goodness, Father, heav'nly King.

Son of the Father, bearing this world's sin,
Lamb of God, have mercy, grant us peace within.
You, O Christ, are holy, you alone are Lord,
with the Holy Spirit evermore adored.

First reading

Proverbs 25.6-7 (p.549 OT)

Second reading

Hebrews 13.1-8, 15, 16 (p.202 NT) read by Tony Farren

Hymn 654

The Lord's my shepherd

Gospel

Luke 14.1, 7-14 (p.64 NT) read by David Sales

Sermon

The Revd James Richards

Intercessions

The Revd James Richards

Offertory hymn

1. In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All,
here in the love of Christ I stand.

2. In Christ alone! - who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones he came to save:
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
God's arms of love were open wide
For every sin on him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

3. There in the ground his body lay,
 Light of the world by darkness slain:
 Then bursting forth in glorious Day
 Up from the grave he rose again!
 And as he stands in victory
 Death's curse has lost its grip on me,
 For I am his and he is mine -
 Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

4. No guilt in life, no fear in death,
 This is the power of Christ in me;
 From life's first cry to final breath,
 Jesus commands my destiny.
 No power of hell, no human plan,
 Can ever pluck me from his hand;
 Till he returns or calls me home,
 Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

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Sanctus (971)

Final hymn 477

O Christ the same through all our stories pages



Coffee & refreshments will be served, after the service,
 at the back of church.

This week

We give thanks with Clarence and Susan for their sixty years of married life as their anniversary comes up this week.

As the new term begins we pray for the schools in our community - for students starting in new schools or new classes, for teachers, teaching assistants, all staff and governors. We give thanks for all whose dedication helps children and young people to learn, grow and thrive.

We remember with thanksgiving Marcia Lazenby who died last week, and pray for all who mourn her passing.



10.30 a.m. Holy Communion with laying on of hands and prayer for healing
 President/Preacher: The Revd Dr. David Whitehead
 12. noon Memorial Service for Marcia Lazenby
 2.00 p.m. Standing Committee meeting



10.00 a.m. James leading collective worship at St Martin & St Mary CE Primary School



5.30 p.m. Visiting bell ringers at St Martin's

Next Sunday: Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

10.00 a.m. Holy Communion

President/Preacher: The Revd James Richards

Dates for the month can be found in Parish News or on the website on the 'What's on' page.

NOTICE BOARD

Emails warning! Some of you may have received strange emails pretending to come from James Richards. If you do receive a strange email check the sender's address. If it's not from stmartin.org.uk or southlakeschurches.org.uk it's a scam. In any event he certainly won't be asking you to do errands, transfer money, or buy Amazon vouchers. If in any doubt, please call him.

If there is anything you would like the PCC to discuss please notify James, before the Standing Committee meeting.

1st - 7th September 2025 Global Week of Prayer This has been initiated by the 24/7 Prayer Movement, which has been going for 25 years. There will be prayer rooms throughout the world, praying 24/7 in September. The Mission Church in Windermere will have a prayer room open, if you would like to join in this time of prayer.

'A Coldplay Candlelight Experience' - concert by Lumos at St Mary's Church, Windermere. Saturday 13th September; two sittings 7-8pm and 9-10pm. To book tickets, please go to www.lumos-experiences.com.

Would you be able & willing to be our PCC secretary? We are very grateful to Ali Jarvis who took on this role following the death of Mary Fenna. Ali, however, is not able to continue. If you think this is something you could help with, please have a word with James, or with our churchwarden, Mike Fletcher.

Church Log Book - please use the folder, located in the St John's Room, on the Rector's bookshelf, to note down any faults, repairs, or jobs requiring attention (i.e. light bulbs needing to be replaced; leaking pipes etc).

Recycle your used stamps Please leave envelopes with stamps attached, or stamps with a half-inch border of envelope around them, on Sarah's desk in the St John's Room. These will be passed on to St Mary's Hospice in Ulverston. Thank you.

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