

Today's hymns

Entrance	456	Happy are they, they that love God
Gradual	589	The King of love my shepherd is
Offertory	395	Christ is our cornerstone
Final	536	O God of Bethel, by whose hand

Evening Prayer and Bible Study this week

Evening Prayer and Bible study at All Saints in Cologne take place at 6pm to 6.30pm (Evening Prayer) and 6.30pm to 7.30pm (Bible study) this Friday. All are welcome.

Summer concert at All Saints

On Saturday 29th July at 7.30pm, the South Ulster Youth Band will be performing a mix of classical music, musical hits and film music at All Saints in Cologne. Admission is free with a retiring collection.

Songs of Praise in Bonn

Our next Songs of Praise evening will be at St. Paulus church in Bonn-Beuel at 5pm next Sunday, 30th July. Come along for a good sing!

Singing group in Bonn-Beuel

The next informal sing-along is on Wednesday 30th August. We meet in the basement at St. Paulus church in Bonn-Beuel at 7.30pm. Talk to Anne Wegner (02224 941008) or Jill Wolff (jill.wolff@gmx.de) for more information.

Transport for locum priests in August

Our locum priest in August will need transport to church in Bonn and Cologne, and back to Bonn, each Sunday. Please see the churchwardens if you can add your name to the rota for offering lifts.

Weekly sheet

If you have any notices for this weekly sheet, please contact Jenny Knudsen on 0228 94693999 or e-mail: notices@anglicanbonncologne.de. The deadline is 9am on Wednesday morning for the following Sunday.

Are you new to Bonn or Cologne, or to this church? For up to date information, follow us on Facebook/Twitter and visit our website. To be added to the mailing list, let us have your contact details.

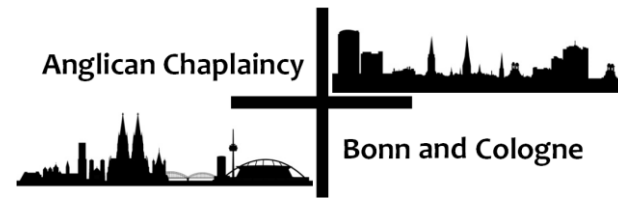
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WELCOME

Welcome to Sunday worship, especially if you are joining us for the first time. Refreshments will be served after the service. We hope you might stay and introduce yourself.

**Sunday 23rd July 2017
Sixth Sunday after Trinity**

President and preacher:
Revd John Clasper

Collect for today

Creator God,
you made us all in your image;
may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

**Old Testament reading – Wisdom of Solomon
12.13,16-19**

God's Lessons for Israel

¹³There is not any god besides you, whose care is for all people, to whom you should prove that you have not judged unjustly. ¹⁶For your strength is the source of righteousness, and your sovereignty over all causes you to spare all. ¹⁷For you show your strength when people doubt the completeness of your power, and you rebuke any insolence among those who know it. ¹⁸Although you are sovereign in strength, you judge with mildness, and with great forbearance you govern us; for you have power to act whenever you

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choose. ¹⁹Through such works you have taught your people that the righteous must be kind, and you have filled your children with good hope, because you give repentance for sins.

Psalm 86.11-17

Teach me your way, O Lord, and I will walk in your truth;
knit my heart to you, that I may fear your name.

**I will thank you, O Lord my God, with all my heart,
and glorify your name for evermore;**

For great is your steadfast love towards me,
for you have delivered my soul from the depths of the grave.

**O God, the proud rise up against me
and a ruthless horde seek after my life;
they have not set you before their eyes.**

But you, Lord, are gracious and full of compassion,
slow to anger and full of kindness and truth.

**Turn to me and have mercy upon me;
give your strength to your servant
and save the child of your handmaid.**

Show me a token of your favour,
that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed;
because you, O Lord, have helped and comforted me.

New Testament reading – Romans 8.12-25 Future Glory

¹²Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh — ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ — if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

¹⁸I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. ¹⁹For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; ²⁰for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²²We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; ²³and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved.

Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Gospel reading – Matthew 13.24-30,36-43 The Parable of Weeds among the Wheat

²⁴Jesus put before the crowd another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; ²⁵but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. ²⁶So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. ²⁷And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" ²⁸He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" ²⁹But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. ³⁰Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

³⁶Then Jesus left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' ³⁷He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; ³⁸the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, ³⁹and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. ⁴¹The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, ⁴²and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!'

Post Communion prayer

God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.