

Today's hymns: 490, 368, 87, 594 (tune: 424)

Welcome

A warm welcome to you, whether you are joining us in Bonn (9.30am) or Cologne (11.45am). In church, please note:

- Please wear a surgical mask or an FFP2 / KN95 mask.
- Please follow the instructions if you would like to receive Holy Communion, in either one kind (bread) or two (bread and wine). The body and blood of Christ may be completely received in one kind only. If you wish to receive the wine, please drink from the chalice.
- Please place your donation in the collection basket during the offertory hymn, or donate by bank transfer (account details on the front page).

This week

Tuesday 17 January, 7.30pm: Evening Prayer on Zoom.

Friday 20 January, 6pm: Evening Prayer followed by **Bible study** (6.30pm to 7.30pm) at All Saints, Cologne.

Sunday 22 January, 9.30am: St Boniface Sunday School meets.

Recycle your Christmas cards

Betty Mueller in Bonn is once again collecting used Christmas cards to recycle. She uses the pictures to produce new cards to sell at the next Christmas bazaar. So instead of throwing your cards away, do bring them to church so they can be used again.

Visiting team

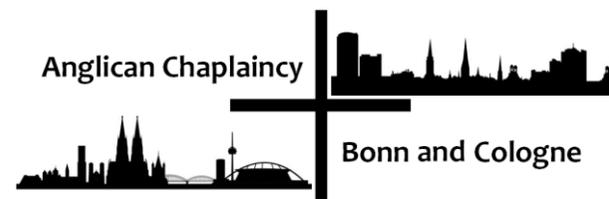
Our new Visiting Team is looking for volunteers to visit people in hospitals, care homes or their own homes who are in need of companionship, prayer and encouragement. Team members will receive safeguarding training and ideally commit to making 1–2 visits a month, preferably in pairs. Might you be able to show the love of Christ through fellowship in this way? Please see Fr Richard if you would like to join the team or simply find out more.

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. Any data you give us will be kept securely and in no case given to any third parties.

Name:

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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 15 January 2023 Second Sunday of Epiphany

President: Revd Richard Gardiner
Preacher: Jenny Knudsen

Collect

Almighty God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature
by the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Old Testament reading – Isaiah 49.1-7 The Servant's Mission

¹Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. ²He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away.

³And he said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.'

⁴But I said, 'I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God.'

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⁵And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honoured in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength — ⁶he says, 'It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.'

⁷Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, 'Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.'

Psalm 40.1-12

I waited patiently for the Lord;
he inclined to me and heard my cry.

**He brought me out of the roaring pit,
out of the mire and clay;**

he set my feet upon a rock and made my footing sure.

He has put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God;
many shall see and fear and put their trust in the Lord.

**Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord,
who does not turn to the proud that follow a lie.**

Great are the wonders you have done, O Lord my God.
How great your designs for us!

There is none that can be compared with you.

**If I were to proclaim them and tell of them
they would be more than I am able to express.**

Sacrifice and offering you do not desire
but my ears you have opened;

**Burnt offering and sacrifice for sin you have not required;
then said I: 'Lo, I come.**

'In the scroll of the book it is written of me
that I should do your will, O my God;
I delight to do it: your law is within my heart.'

**I have declared your righteousness in the great congregation;
behold, I did not restrain my lips,
and that, O Lord, you know.**

Your righteousness I have not hidden in my heart;
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;
I have not concealed your loving-kindness and truth
from the great congregation.

**Do not withhold your compassion from me, O Lord;
let your love and your faithfulness always preserve me.**

New Testament reading – 1 Corinthians 1.1-9

Salutation

¹From Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

²To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind — ⁶just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you — ⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel reading – John 1.29-42

The First Disciples of Jesus

²⁹John the Baptist saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me."

³¹I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' ³²And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." ³⁴And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.'

³⁵The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' ³⁹He said to them, 'Come and see.' They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed). ⁴²He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

Post Communion prayer

God of glory,
you nourish us with your Word
who is the bread of life:
fill us with your Holy Spirit
that through us the light of your glory
may shine in all the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.