

The Church at Carrs Lane
Sunday 12th May 2019
Vocation Sunday / 4th Sunday of Easter



***We are an inclusive and affirming Church.
You are welcome just as you are.***

Opening music (*played by Tim Batty*):
Prelude from English Suite No. 2, BWV 807 (J S Bach)
Chorale (from 36 Miniatures) (N Rawsthorne)

Welcome and Call to Worship (Neil Johnson)

Generous God, we come to worship,
each with our own gifts to offer to you and to one another.
Hear our songs and words of praise:
as we bless your name.

We come to worship, each with our own concerns
to offer to you and to share with one another.

Hear our silence and our intercessions:

as we bless your name.

We come to worship, each with our own faith
to offer to you and to strengthen one another.

Hear our passion and our prayerfulness:

as we bless your name.

Hymn: StF 464 God it was who said to Abraham

Prayers of Approach, Confession and Forgiveness

(Stuart Dyer)

...If we have fallen into despair,

Lord, forgive us.

If we have failed to hope in you,

Lord, forgive us.

If we have been fearful of death,

Lord, forgive us.

If we have forgotten the victory of Christ,

Lord, forgive us.

Hymn: StF 663 I, the Lord of sea and sky

First Reading: Acts 9:36-43 *(read by Donald Payne)*

Sermon: The Ordinary Disciple *(Stuart Dyer)*

Anthem: StF 444 Day by day, Dear Lord

Gospel Reading: Matthew 4:18-23 *(read by Donald Payne)*

Interview – “Did I hear you right?”

Hymn: StF 545 Be Thou My Vision

Prayers of Intercession

including the Lord’s prayer *(led by Helen Woodall)*

Hymn: StF 736 In Heavenly Love Abiding

Offering of ourselves and our gifts

An opportunity to give financially to the church. There is no obligation to give, it is just as you decide or are able.

Interlude in C *(R Bonighton)*

Hymn StF 239 Sent by the Lord Am I *(sung twice)*

Closing Responses

(Neil Johnson)

We will not offer to the Lord
offerings that cost us nothing.

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.
We will seek peace and pursue it.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and
to the Holy Spirit:
**as it was in the beginning,
is now and shall be for ever. Amen.**

Closing music: Nun danket alle Gott

(S Karg-Elert)

There will be music as the service ends. You are welcome to listen or go through to the foyer for a cuppa. If you are visiting or it's your first time here, please introduce yourself to a steward.



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Flowers in church today by Joan Duffield