Sunday 8th June 2025 Pentecost / Whitsun

God, who at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A reading from Genesis (11.1-9)

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. And they said to one another, 'Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly.' And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. Then they said, 'Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.' The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. And the Lord said, 'Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech.' So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

Psalm 104. 26-end

- 24 O Lord, how manifold / are your / works!: In wisdom you have made them all; the / earth is / full of your / creatures.
- 25 There is the sea, spread / far and / wide: and there move creatures beyond / number, both / small and / great.
- 26 There go the ships, and there is / that Le/viathan: which you have / made to / play in the / deep.
- 27 All of these / look to / you: to give them their / food in / due / season.
- 28 When you give it / them, they / gather it: you open your hand and / they are / filled with / good.
- 29 When you hide your face / they are / troubled: when you take away their breath, they die and re/turn a/gain to the / dust.
- 30 When you send forth your spirit, they / are cre/ated: and you re/new the / face of the / earth.
- 31 May the glory of the Lord en/dure for / ever: may the / Lord re/joice in his / works;
- 32 He looks on the earth / and it / trembles: he touches the / mountains / and they / smoke.
- 33 I will sing to the Lord as / long as I / live: I will make music to my God / while I / have my / being.
- 34 So shall my / song / please him: while I re/joice / in the / Lord.

35 Let sinners be consumed / out of the / earth: and the / wicked / be no / more.

36 Bless the Lord, / O my / soul: Alle/luia,/Alle/luia.

A reading from Acts 2.1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselvtes, Cretans and Arabs - in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to St John 14.8-17 Glory to you, O Lord.

Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. 'Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** you.

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HYMNS AT OUR CHORAL EUCHARIST: 90, 392, 53, 494

TODAY	8.30 am 10.00 am	- followed by tea / coffee and a Church
	5.00 pm	meeting - all are welcome to this meeting Celebrating Pentecost Service in Holy Cross - All welcome.
TUESDAY	10.30 am 2.00 pm	Chat a Coffi - all welcome Norton Craft Group - all welcome
WEDNESDAY	2.00pm 6.00 pm 7.00 pm	Holy Eucharist followed by refreshments Bible study/prayer group (church rooms) Joyful Noise (junior Choir) - all children very welcome Adult choir practice - all welcome - come and join us.
THURSDAY	10.30 am 1.30 pm	Coffee & Catch up (Norton) Church and Grounds working group - all help very welcome
SATURDAY	7.00 pm	Gwalia Singers Annual Concert
NEXT SUNDAY	8.30 am 10.00 am 11.30 am	15th June 2025 - Trinity Sunday Holy Eucharist (All Saints) Choral Eucharist (All Saints) - followed by tea / coffee Sung Eucharist at Norton Church

Weekly Bulletin: Do take this sheet home with you and do take spare copies to pass on to those missing from our services or to family and friends to share what is taking place.

Pastoral Visiting: please let me know of those in need of visiting at home or in hospital - especially this time of year when so many are taking holidays, It is very hard to try and keep track of everyone!

Church Committee Meeting: will take place following our 10 a.m. service today. All are very welcome to stay for this meeting (after coffee). It is your opportunity to have a say in how what we do as a church family and to share ideas for mission, outreach and maintenance.

Ministry Area AGM : will take place on Thursday 26th June at 6 p.m. in St. Peter's Church Hall

Tenby Trip: 18th June: for those who are joining us can you please confirm your phone number and where you will getting in the bus (either at All Saints or at the West Cross Inn bus stop) with Sue Wilkinson so we have details. The bus will leave All Saints at 9 a.m. (prompt!) and we will leave Tenby at 5 to return.

Memorial Service : for Dinah Cottle will take place on Saturday 2nd August at 11 a.m. in All Saints and all will be welcome to attend *(Dinah's funeral will be a private service for her family).*

Men's Society: Monday 16th June at 5 pm. A trip on the CopperJack up the River Tawe. To book please speak to Dorian 07788122132 or David 07866 581068 Max. 40 places. Food can be ordered in the Pump House after the trip for those wishing to eat.

Concerts: rather than holding a Music Festival this year we decided to hold a series of concerts throughout the year to raise funds for the church. One of these will be on Friday 25th July at 7 p.m. with a concert given by the Morriston RFC Male Voice choir. Tickets will be available soon. Please try and give your full support. We are seeking sponsors for the evening. If you know any businesses or individuals who can help please let me know.

Gower Chorale : concert : Haydn's 'The Creation' Saturday 21st June at 7 p.m. in All Saints. See poster for details and how to purchase tickets.

The Mumbles Churches Together (Cytun) are holding this year's Ecumenical Service on Sunday June 22nd in Holy Cross Church. Tea/coffee and cakes from 4.00pm, followed by the Service at 5.30. The theme is *the Word of God*, based on the 1700th anniversary of the writing of the Nicene Creed. Tickets are £5. Please speak to Anne Neuman for details