

St Helen's Church, Whitley Chapel

NOTICES FOR SUNDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2026

Today we welcome our Area Dean, the Revd Steve Wright, to lead us in worship, and we pray for him.

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of Steve to lead us in worship today. We pray that he will enjoy safe travel and freedom from distraction on the way here and on the way home. Grant him a fresh, clear word to share, and give him boldness and discernment to speak directly to the hearts of those who need it most. Prepare our hearts to receive your message with open minds and receptive spirits. May your Holy Spirit move freely in this place, bringing healing, revival, and transformation. We make this prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Revd Chris Simmons plans to be in church on Saturdays at 4.00 pm to say a simple form of Evening Prayer and to make ready for Sunday morning. If anyone wishes to join him, they will be very welcome.

Our service next Sunday will once again be led by the Revd Keith Teasdale.

We look forward to our Harvest Thanksgiving service on Sunday 4th October at the usual time of 9.30 a.m. The form of service will be based on Morning Prayer rather than Holy Communion, and we will be joined once again by St Mary's Choir with their director and organist, Paul Berry. As in past years, we are asking for suitable items to be given to the West Northumberland Food Bank.

We remember today David Trotter and Cecily Bentley and all who mourn their death, and also those who have gone to their rest at about this time of year: Clive Robson (2007), Edna Robinson (2011), Gladys Marsh (1999), Jessica Ruth Cosens (2014)