

Welcome

A warm welcome to you, whether you are joining us in Bonn (9.30am) or Cologne (11.45am) or on Zoom (4pm). In church, please note:

- Social distancing must be observed at all times.
- Please wear a surgical mask or an FFP2 / KN95 mask.
- Please disinfect your hands when you come into church. Hand sanitizer is available at the entrance.
- Please ensure you are registered when you enter the building.
- Please sit at least 2 metres away from others in all directions. People who live together in one household can sit together in one pew.
- Please follow the instructions if you would like to receive Holy Communion, which is in one kind only.
- Please place your donation in the collection plate/basket at the back of church, or donate by bank transfer (account details on the front page).

St Boniface Sunday School

The St Boniface Sunday School meets during the 9.30am service in Bonn today. Children of all ages are welcome.

The Sunday School team (Jean Hauptfleisch, Jenny Knudsen and Elisabeth Backhausen-Mielke) would love to welcome 2-3 more helpers. It's lots of fun, and plenty of resources are available. Do get in touch if you would like to join the team, have any questions, or know someone who might be interested.

Evening Prayer and Bible study this week

Evening Prayer and Bible study take place at 6pm to 6.30pm (Evening Prayer) and 6.30pm to 7.30pm (Bible study) this Friday.

Recycle your Christmas cards

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

Weekly sheet

If you have any notices for this weekly sheet, please contact Jenny Knudsen on 0228 94693999 or email: notices@anglicanbonncologne.de.

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.

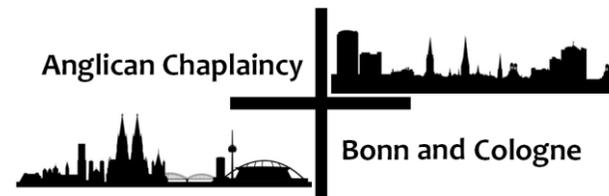
Any data you give us will be kept securely by the church authorities and in no case given to any third parties.

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WELCOME

Welcome to Sunday worship, especially if you are joining us for the first time.

Sunday 23 January 2022 The Third Sunday of Epiphany

President and preacher:
Revd Richard Gardiner

Collect

Almighty God,
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles
the wonder of your saving presence:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your mighty power;
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 – Nehemiah 8.1-3,5-6,8-10

Ezra Summons the People to Obey the Law

¹All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. ²Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. ³He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law.

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⁵And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. ⁶Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, 'Amen, Amen', lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the LORD with their faces to the ground. ⁸So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

⁹And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, 'This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep.' For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. ¹⁰Then he said to them, 'Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.'

Psalm 19.1-6

The heavens are telling the glory of God
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

**One day pours out its song to another
and one night unfolds knowledge to another.**

They have neither speech nor language
and their voices are not heard,

**Yet their sound has gone out into all lands
and their words to the ends of the world.**

In them has he set a tabernacle for the sun,
that comes forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber
and rejoices as a champion to run his course.

**It goes forth from the end of the heavens
and runs to the very end again,
and there is nothing hidden from its heat.**

New Testament reading – 1 Corinthians 12.12-31a

One Body with Many Members

¹²Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body — Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

¹⁴Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵If the foot were to say, 'Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶And if the ear were to say, 'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰As it is, there are many members, yet one body. ²¹The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I have no need of you', nor again the head to the feet, 'I have

no need of you.' ²²On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater honour, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; ²⁴whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, ²⁵that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it.

²⁷Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. ²⁸And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. ²⁹Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? ³⁰Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? ³¹But strive for the greater gifts.

Gospel reading – Luke 4.14-21

The Rejection of Jesus at Nazareth

¹⁴Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. ¹⁵He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. ¹⁶When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

¹⁸'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,

¹⁹to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

²⁰And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down.

The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

Post Communion prayer

Almighty Father,
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world:
may your people,
illuminated by your word and sacraments,
shine with the radiance of his glory,
that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed
to the ends of the earth;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen.