

# COLDSTREAM PARISH CHURCH

Sunday 15 March 2026

Third Sunday of Lent – Mothering Sunday

Welcome

Call to worship:

We draw near to a loving God

**who meets us not as we imagine we should be,  
but rather as we are.**

We draw near to God who calls us

**from shadow into light,  
and certainty into wonder.**

We draw near to God

**asking that our eyes may be opened,  
and our seeing shaped by grace.**

Hymn 182: Now thank we all our God

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

What is today?

Hymn: Today we bring our thankful hearts (GWA 112)

Reading: John 9: 1-23

Reflection

Song: The Lord's my shepherd (Stuart Townend – video)

Reading: John 9: 24-41

Reflecting more

Hymn: God, may our church reflect (GWA 202) – we make our offering as we sing

Offering prayer and prayers for others

Hymn 555: Amazing grace

Closing prayer:

**May the Lord Jesus Christ, the Light of the world,  
open our eyes to truth,  
strengthen our heart for the journey,  
and lead us in love.**

**And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship  
of the Holy Spirit be with us all now and for ever more. Amen**

We welcome our friends from St Mary's for today's service  
which draws on resources written by Rev Janette Wilson when she was a student on a  
placement with Very Rev Dr Susan Brown

Tea and coffee will be served after the service.

## The week ahead

Sunday 22 March – Sunday Service in the Church Hall at 10.30 a.m. followed by the Stated Annual meeting of the congregation and preceded by Sunday Sing at 9.30 a.m. Our joint service of Stillness and Reflection with St Mary's will be held in the Church Hall at 5.00 p.m.

Tuesday 17 March – The fourth of our Lent Reflections “Worship in the Wilderness” together with our friends from St Mary's in the Church Hall at 7.00 p.m.

Wednesday 18 March – Ladies@10

Wednesday 18 March – service at Lennel House at 3.00 p.m. – all welcome to support the singing and chat with the residents.

Thursday 19 March – service of thanksgiving for the life of Frank Mount in the Church at 12.00 p.m. There will be no heating – please wrap up warmly!

Saturday 21 March – Men's Prayer breakfast in the Church Hall, 8.00 to 9.00 a.m.

Saturday 21 March – our annual gift day will be held from 10.00 to 12.00 a.m. in the Church Hall, when you are invited, if you are able, to make a special gift to support the work of our church. Pop in at any time during the morning, and if you have time stop for a chat and a cuppa.

### Coming Sunday Services in Coldstream at 10.30 a.m.

Sunday 29 March Palm Sunday service

Sunday 5 April Easter Sunday service conducted by Rev Robin McHaffie

Sunday 12 April Sunday service with the baptism of Elliot Hunter, conducted by Rev Robin McHaffie

Sunday 19 April Joint service with the congregation of Leitholm Kirk at which Rev Kerr Wintersgill will preach as sole nominee to become our minister.

**Lent Reflections:** We are holding a series of Lent Reflections “Worship in the Wilderness” jointly with St Mary's on Tuesday evenings till 24 March at 7.00 p.m. in the Church Hall. Please feel free to come on whichever evenings you can manage.

**Men's Prayer Breakfast:** Saturdays 4 and 18 April, 8.00-9.00 a.m. in the Church Hall.

**Sunday Sing:** on alternate Sundays before the service at 9.30 a.m. in the hall.

**Ladies@10:** alternate Wednesday mornings.

**Services at Lennel House:** Wednesday afternoons once a month at 3.00 p.m.

**Taize services of stillness and reflection:** on the fourth Sunday of the month with St Mary's. Next service on 22 March in our Church Hall at 5.00 p.m.

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