

PARISH OF ALSTON DOOR

Suggested Pattern of Services (to start first Sunday in July) – second draft (31<sup>st</sup> May 2021)

		Lambley	Knaresdale	Kirkhaugh	Alston	Garrigill	Nenthead	Online	
1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	9.30 am			Holy Communion		Christmas; spring lambing service; summer messy church; Remembrance?? Special services as appropriate (quarterly?) –			
	11.00 am				Prayer & Praise			Streamed from Alston	
	3.00 pm						Pennine Praise		
	6.00 pm						Morning Prayer		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	9.30 am								Streamed from Alston
	11.00 am				Sung Holy Communion				
	3.00 pm		Special service as appropriate						
	6.00 pm								
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	9.30 am							Holy Communion	
	11.00 am				Zoom Prayer & Praise				Zoom Prayer & Praise – led from St A's
	3.00 pm								
	6.00 pm			Sung/Choral Evensong					
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	9.30 am							Morning Prayer	
	11.00 am				Sung Holy Communion				Streamed from Alston
	3.00 pm	Holy Communion/ All Age/ Ev.Prayer							
	6.00 pm								
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	9.30 am				Said Communion				
	11.00 am							All Age Zoom Prayer & Praise – Main service	
	3.00 pm								
	6.00 pm								

See notes overleaf

## Notes to second draft

- 1) **Livestreaming from Alston:** This draft proposes livestreaming the 11am service at St Augustine's on the first, second and fourth Sundays in the month.
- 2) **Monthly Zoom service:** On the **third** Sunday, the main 11am service is proposed to be on Zoom, similar to our current services – but led from St Augustine's (unless weather is exceptionally cold) so that any visitors can join in there – instead of a separate afternoon/evening Zoom service.
- 3) **Fifth Sunday All Age Zoom:** The **fifth** Sunday is proposed to always be an All Age Zoom service – led from St Augustine's, someone's home or elsewhere.
- 4) **All Age Service pattern:** We propose to plan a pattern of All Age services – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday on Zoom, as well as services in Lambley, and possibly in other churches too – planning a year at a time, and inviting families to devise/prepare the crafts and activities.
- 5) **Streaming to and from other churches:** We will experiment with streaming or Zooming from other churches. This will depend on whether the 4G signal is strong enough – it's unlikely that we can afford a broadband connection to more than one building.
- 6) **Mid-week Communion:** We also propose holding a mid-week communion to suit those who find Sunday mornings difficult – maybe Alston on Thursday evening?
- 7) **Kirkhaugh Choral Evensong:** We hope to develop the Kirkhaugh Evensong as a Choral Evensong on a regular basis
- 8) **Service content:** we propose that the Prayer & Praise services will be the current format, rather than reverting to the old Morning Prayer pattern. We also intend to continue to enrich our services with a greater variety of prayers, as we have been doing online, where it is permitted to deviate from Common Worship texts.

## Notes to first draft

- 1) This is only a **suggested** pattern, to be revised in the light of comments, responses to George's survey and experience – do please let me know what you think, positive or negative, and make other suggestions.
- 2) **Lambley:** exact nature of services to be agreed with the regular/occasional congregation.
- 3) **Knaresdale:** I suggest normally 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday afternoon, but that could vary as appropriate e.g. Friday evening for Harvest festival.
- 4) **Kirkhaugh:** I've suggested Evensong on 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday (and therefore Holy Communion on 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday) so as not to compete with Pennine Praise.
- 5) **Alston:** I'm suggesting Holy Communion alternate weeks, rather than 3 out of 4: what do people think? On the weeks when it is Prayer & Praise, there would be a Communion in Nenthead or Kirkhaugh.
- 6) **Garrigill:** services to be agreed, but probably not on a regular pattern.
- 7) **Nenthead:** I'm suggesting moving the Holy Communion to the third Sunday, as Pennine Praise is on the first Sunday. That way there will be some sort of service in Nenthead every week, so long as David wants to continue Morning Prayer.
- 9) **All Age/Messy services:** I've suggested ... All Age services should continue in Lambley. Many of the Knaresdale services are likely to be family friendly too, and we could have a Messy Church in Garrigill. ...  
  
I'm not suggesting this should be the limit of our All Age activity: in the light of our Zoom experience it would be good to look at ways to make all our services more inclusive.
- 10) **Other services:** this pattern includes one service at 9.30am and one at 11am every week, a 3pm service two ... times a month, and one ... 6pm service a month (plus Pennine Praise). This means that if we wanted to develop another service – a healing service, Taizé service, Iona/Celtic service, another Choral Evensong... – there are some available slots.