LANCASTER PRIORY

St Mary with St George and St John

A WELCOMING,
INCLUSIVE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY,
SERVING THE PEOPLE OF LANCASTER



PRIORY EUCHARIST

THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

2 September 2018 at 10.00 am

A very warm welcome to all our visitors, especially if you are visiting us for the first time. Please join us for refreshments after the service. The Welcome, including Notices and Banns of Marriage, takes place just before 10.00am and is followed by a short period of silence. For the very young there are books and entertainment packs and a rug with soft toys available in the Refectory.

President: The Revd Keith Brockbank

Sermon: The Revd Chris Newlands, Vicar of Lancaster

Choir: Full Choir

Setting Missa Brevis (Dove)

Readers: Peter Hopwood; Hilary Hopwood

Intercessor: David Redmore

If you contribute to the Priory through the committed Giving Scheme, please take a yellow card, which you can find near the entrance to the church, to put into the collection Plate.

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Officiating: The Revd Chris Newlands, Vicar of Lancaster

Sermon: Mrs Lois Kirtley

Services next week—Sunday 9 September - The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion 10.00am Priory Eucharist

6.30pm Choral Evensong

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THE SERVICE SHEET THIS WEEK
IS SPONSORED BY KEITH AND ROSEMARY BROCKBANK
IN CELEBRATION OF
THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING ON 7 SEPTEMBER,
AND THEIR DAUGHTER CAROLINE'S BIRTHDAY ON THAT DAY.

THE WELCOME and Notices -

Please join in the singing of the hymns and in saying the words in **bold** type. We stand at the entry of the ministers to sing the opening

HYMN O Jesus, I have promised

(420) JE Bode 1816-1874

The priest greets the congregation:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**The Lord be with you

and also with you.

Members of Young Church gather at the Chancel steps before leaving for their group sessions.

The deacon invites us to confess our sins

Let us call to mind our sin, our failure to value the love of others and our failure to love as Christ has loved us.

Silence for reflection

Your love gives us life from the moment of conception.

We fail to live as your children.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

You call us to do good. We seek our own good.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

You hear us when we cry for help. We ignore the cries of others. Lord. have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

ABSOLUTION

May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE CHOIR SINGS THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the Highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, Heavenly King, Almighty God and Father. We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord, Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father.

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy one, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the most high, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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.

Please sit for

THE FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy

(Deut 4.12,6-9)

Moses spoke to the people; he said: So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you. You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!' For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

For the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

HYMN (341)

Blest are the pure in heart,

John Keble 1792-1866 and others

THE SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter of James

(James 1.17-27)

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore, rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act – they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

For the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

THE GOSPEL

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation:

Cantor: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power

to save your souls.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Deacon: The Lord be with you.

And also with you

Deacon: Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

Glory to you, O Lord

(Mark 7.1-8;14-15;21-23)

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him,

'Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?' He said to them, 'Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, "This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines."' Then he called the crowd again and said to them, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile. For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON The Revd Chris Newlands, Vicar of Lancaster

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist? We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again? We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to

the

people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and

Holy Spirit. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

These responses may be used

Leader: Lord, in your mercy **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Merciful Father,

accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,

our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

All stand for

THE PEACE

Jesus says: Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

Not as the world gives do I give you. Do not let your hearts be

troubled. neither let them be afraid.

The peace of the Lord be always with you and also with you.

Deacon: Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace

THE OFFERTORY

The Gifts are brought to the Altar. The collection is taken as the **HYMN** (285) is sung.

For the beauty of the earth,

F.S. Pierpoint 1835-1917

Please remain standing, if you feel able, until after we have said the Lord's Prayer, and seen the bread broken before us.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word, through whom you have created all things; who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh; as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin, he lived on earth and went about among us; he opened wide his arms for us on the cross; he put an end to death by dying for us; and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life; so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

THE CHOIR SINGS THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

Rejoicing in the presence of God here among us, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us (Each in our own language)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

We kneel or sit:

THE CHOIR SINGS THE AGNUS DEI

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his

As

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

The priest invites the congregation to receive communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

THE GIVING OF COMMUNION

All Christians who are members in good standing of their own denominations are invited to receive Holy Communion. If you would prefer to receive a Blessing, please bring this order of service with you. If you require a gluten free wafer, please bring a green card which you can find near the entrance to the church. During the Communion the choir sings the anthem: Locus iste (Bruckner)

Locus iste a Deo factus est: inaestimabile sacramentum irreprehensibilis est

This dwelling is God's handiwork; a mystery beyond all price that cannot be spoken against.

and then, still sitting, we sing

HYMN (456)

Teach me, my God and King,

George Herbert 1593-1633

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Please stand for the final hymn

HYMN 'Lift up your hearts!' We lift them, Lord, to thee;

(t:395) Henry Montague Butler (1833-1918)

The priest gives

THE BLESSING

May God give to you and to all those you love his comfort and his peace, his light and his joy, in this world and the next; and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you now and for evermore.

Amen

Deacon: Our Eucharist is ended, let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen

Organ Voluntary: Fanfare (Leighton)

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