LANCASTER PRIORY

St Mary with St George and St John

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



PRIORY EUCHARIST TRINITY SUNDAY

7 June 2020

at 10.00 am

A very warm welcome to everyone who is joining us "virtually" through our Facebook page.

It is a great delight to be in our spiritual home of Lancaster Priory for today's service.

Celebrant:	The Revd Canon Chris Newlands, Vicar of Lancaster
Reader:	Dr David Cheung
Organist:	Tom Edney, Duchy of Lancaster Senior Organ Scholar

After the service there will be Coffee (or sherry, or prosecco*) and Cake, and a chance to catch up with others, in a Zoom Coffee Morning. All are welcome to come and take part. You need to have Zoom installed on your computer, smartphone, or tablet, with a working camera and microphone. It will be an opportunity to see each others faces, and have virtual chat, at least! Please email me in advance if you would like to participate: chris@lancasterpriory.org

*Please provide your own drinks and cake!

A Prayer to use during this present crisis.

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy in this time of uncertainty and distress. Sustain and support the anxious and fearful, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may rejoice in your comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

In your prayers, please remember those who are sick: Liam Aspden, Esme Bradbury, Vona Corbet, Ian Corbet, Bron England, Wendy Foster, Stephen Gardner, Anne Goulding, Michael Greenhalgh, Christine Heywood, Brooke Hunter, Marilyn Kenny, Joan Pinches, The Revd John Reeves, Richard Thompson, and Gordon Tyson.

THE WELCOME and Notices – The Revd Canon Chris Newlands

Please join in saying the words in **bold** type.

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.

The priest invites us to confess our sins

God the Father forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy Spirit. Let us therefore put away all anger and bitterness, all slander and malice, and confess our sins to God our Redeemer.

Almighty God,

our heavenly Father. We have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

THE KYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us Lord have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us.

The priest pronounces the

WORDS OF ABSOLUTION

May the Father forgive you by the death of his son and strengthen you to live in the power of the spirit all our days. **Amen.**

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 and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confessions of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; 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

(Isaiah 40.12-17, 27-end)

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance? Who has directed the spirit of the LORD, or as his counsellor has instructed him? Whom did he consult for his enlightenment, and who taught him the path of justice? Who taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding? Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are accounted as dust on the scales; see, he takes up the isles like fine dust. Lebanon would not provide fuel enough, nor are its animals enough for a burnt-offering. All the nations are as nothing before him; they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, 'My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God'? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted;

but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

For the word of the Lord Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 8

Response: Above the heavens your majesty is praised.

O Lord our Governor, how excellent is your name in all the world! Your majesty above the heavens is praised out of the mouths of babes at the breast. You have founded a stronghold against your foes, that you might still the enemy and the avenger. R/

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and stars that you have ordained, what are mortals that you should be mindful of them, mere human beings that you should seek them out? R/

You have made them little lower than the angels and crown them with glory and honour. You have given them dominion over the works of your hands and out all things under their feet. R/

All sheep and oxen even the wild beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish in the sea, and whatsoever moves in the paths of the sea. O Lord our Governor, how glorious is your name in all the world. . R/

Response: Above the heavens your majesty is praised.

THE SECOND READING

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians (2 Corinthians 13.11-13)

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

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

 Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, one God, who was, and who is, and who is to come, the Almighty.

 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

 Priest:
 The Lord be with you.

 And also with you

 Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

 Glory to you, O Lord
 (Matthew 28. 16-20)

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

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

SERMON

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in one God. the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. 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

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father. Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace. Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver. The peace of the triune God be always with you. and also with you

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

All may exchange a sign of peace

THE OFFERTORY

The priest prepares the bread and wine

Gracious God, accept the offering of your Church, the hearts of your people joined in praise and thanksgiving, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

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

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with youAnd 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

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. For with your only begotten Son and the Holy Spirit you are one God, one Lord. All that you reveal of your glory, the same we believe of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, without any difference or inequality. We, your holy Son, worthy of all worship, and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide, Three Persons we adore, one in being and equal in majesty. And so with the angels and archangels, with cherubim and seraphim, we sing for ever your glory:

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

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood; 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.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Priest:This is the mystery of faithChrist has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise: **Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

As God's children, and heirs with Christ, we cry in the Spirit: 'Abba', Father.

(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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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.

Please kneel or sit for

THE AGNUS DEI

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 Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE COMMUNION

As an Act of Spiritual Communion, you may wish to give thanks for the saving death and resurrection of Jesus and ask him to be with you now by saying this prayer:

> Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given me, for all the pains and insults you have borne for me. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love: hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

The priest gives

THE BLESSING

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

Priest:Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.



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