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# LANCASTER PRIORY

St Mary with St George and St John

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



**PRIORY EUCHARIST**

**CHRIST THE KING**

22 November 2020  
at 10.00 am

President: The Revd Canon Chris Newlands, Vicar of Lancaster  
 Sermon: The Revd Canon Paul Warren, Hon. Associate Priest  
 Choir: Choral Scholars  
 Choir Setting: Jazz Missa Brevis (Gillthorpe)  
 Readers: Rachel-Ann Powers, Malachi Powers  
 Intercessor: Tim Jenkinson  
 Organist: Ian Pattinson FRCO, Priory Organist  
 Introit: Prelude in Blue (Timothy Blinko)  
 Offertory: Meditation (Simon Lesley)  
 Final Voluntary: Alleluyas (Simon Preston)  
 Piano: Ian Gray  
 Bass: Brent Forbes  
 Drums: Andy Smith

6.30pm Choral Evensong—live streamed  
 Officiant: The Vicar

Services next Sunday 29 November—Advent Sunday

10.00am Priory Eucharist - live streamed  
 Presiding: The Vicar  
 Sermon: The Revd Keith Brockbank, Hon. Associate Priest  
  
 4.00pm Family Eucharist—live streamed  
 President & Sermon The Vicar  
  
 6.30pm Advent Carols—Broadcast service from Lancaster Churches

**THE SERVICE SHEET THIS WEEK  
 IS SPONSORED BY  
 ALICE GRANGER  
 I CELEBRATE MY BROTHER, HIS LIFE, HIS DREAMS,  
 HIS ACHIEVEMENTS, HIS LOVES.  
 I CELEBRATE HIS LIFE AND I MOURN HIS DEATH.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people;  
 that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,  
 may by you be plenteously rewarded;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The priest gives* **THE BLESSING**

Christ our King make you faithful and strong to do his will, that you  
 may reign with him in glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the  
 Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with  
 you always. **Amen.**

*Deacon:* Our Eucharist is ended, let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord  
**In the name of Christ. Amen**

*In your prayers, please remember those who are sick:*  
**Gwendolen Boyd-Wasson, Esme Bradbury, Matt Clark,  
 Vona Corbet, Ian Corbet, Bron England, Wendy Foster,  
 Stephen Gardner, Anne Goulding, Michael Greenhalgh,  
 Christine Heywood, Marilyn Kenny, Joan Pinches,  
 Brenda Storrie, Richard Thompson, and Gordon Tyson.**

<b>6.30 pm</b>	<b>CHORAL EVENSONG</b>	
<b>OFFICIANT : The Vicar</b>	<b>PSALM: 93</b>	<b>RESPONSES: Gillthorpe</b>
<b>CANTICLES: Stanford in B flat</b>	<b>ANTHEM: O God the King of glory (Purcell)</b>	
<b>HYMN: Christ triumphant, ever reigning (T. Guiting Power) VOLUNTARY: Fugue in G (Parry)</b>		



*Please kneel or sit as*

## THE CHOIR SINGS 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*

This is my body, given for you. Come. Take. Eat.

## 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.**

*During the Communion the choir sings the anthem: Pange Lingua (Katy Lavinia Cooper)*

*Alleluia.*

*Pange, lingua, gloriósi  
Córporis mystérium,  
Sanguinisque pretiósi,  
Quem in mundi prétium  
Fructus ventris generósi  
Rex effúdit géntium.*

*Nobis datus, nobis natus  
Ex intácta Vírgine,  
Et in mundo conversátus,  
Sparso verbi sémine,  
Sui moras incolátus  
Miro clausit órdine.*

*Alleluia. Amen.*

*Translation:*

*Alleluia.*

*Sing, my tongue, the mystery,  
Of the glorious body sing!  
And sing too the mystery  
Of the blood beyond compare.  
For this - fruit of a noble womb -  
The King of all poured out  
As the price of the world.*

*Given for us, born for us,  
From a virgin pure,  
He came to dwell  
Even in our world.  
But once he had scattered  
The seed of His Word,  
He brought to a close  
His sojourn amongst us,  
In a manner quite wonderful.*

*Alleluia. Amen.*

**THE WELCOME and Notices** – The Revd Canon Chris Newlands, Vicar of Lancaster

*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 deacon invites us to confess our sins*

Brothers and sisters in Christ, as we gather at the Lord's table we must recall the promises and warnings given to us in the Scriptures. Let us therefore examine ourselves and repent of our sins.

**O King enthroned on high,  
filling the earth with your glory:  
holy is your name,  
Lord God almighty.  
In our sinfulness we cry to you  
to take our guilt away,  
and to cleanse our lips to speak your word,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## THE CHOIR SINGS THE KYRIE

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

*The priest pronounces the **WORDS OF ABSOLUTION***

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive you your sins, open your eyes to God's truth, strengthen you to do God's will and give you the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus 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

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; 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 the Prophet Ezekiel* (Ezekiel 34.11-16,20-24)

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

For the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

## PSALM 95 1-7

***O come let us worship and bow down and kneel before our Maker.***

*O come, let us sing to the Lord;  
let us heartily rejoice in the rock of our salvation.  
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving  
and be glad in him with psalms.*

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.

*Deacon:*

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

**Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life: Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

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.**

Believing the promises of God, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

*(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.**

## THE OFFERTORY

*The Gifts are brought to the Altar.*

*The priest prepares the bread and wine*

Jesus, true vine and bread of life, ever giving yourself that the world might live, let us share your death and passion: make us perfect in your love. **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 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**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. For with the oil of gladness you have anointed Christ the Lord, your only Son, to be our great high priest and king of all creation. As priest, he offered himself once for all upon the altar of the cross and redeemed the human race by this perfect sacrifice of peace. As king he claims dominion over all your creatures, that he may bring before your infinite majesty a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and peace. And so with angels and archangels and all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join in their unending hymn of praise:

## 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.*

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

*For the Lord is a great God  
and a great king above all gods.  
In his hand are the depths of the earth  
and the heights of the mountains are his also.  
The sea is his, for he made it,  
and his hands have moulded the dry land.*

*Come, let us worship and bow down  
and kneel before the Lord our maker.  
For he is our God;  
We are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.*

***O come let us worship and bow down and kneel before our Maker.***

## THE SECOND READING

*A reading from the Letter to the Ephesians*

*(Ephesians 1.15-23)*

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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, alleluia, alleluia**

You, Christ, are the King of glory, the eternal Son of the Father.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia**

*Deacon:* The Lord be with you. **And also with you**

*Deacon:* Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew  
**Glory to you, O Lord**

(Matthew 25.31-46)

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

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

**SERMON** The Revd Canon Paul Warren

### **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**

Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.

Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heaven.

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*