LANCASTER PRIORY

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A WELCOMING,
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SERVING THE PEOPLE OF LANCASTER



PRIORY EUCHARIST

THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8 August 2021 at 10.00 am A very warm welcome to all our visitors, especially if you are visiting us for the first time. There will be many of our church family who will not yet feel able to worship with us in church—though they continue to join us on the live-stream. The collection plate will be at the back of Church or you can make an electronic payment, or join our Planned Giving Scheme. Happily, congregational singing is now permitted in church. We encourage wearing of masks except when seated. Holy Communion will be given (only in one kind) at the chancel step, please follow the direction of the stewards, keeping social distancing as you line up and return via the side aisles to your seat.

We are grateful for your continued patience.

President: The Revd Canon Tim Girling, Hon Associate Priest Sermon: The Revd Canon Paul Warren, Hon Associate Priest

Readers: Alice Granger, Pam Robinson

Intercessor: Sue Clark

Organist: Ian Pattinson FRCO, Priory Organist

Final Voluntary: Fugue sur le thème du Carillon de Soissons (Duruflé)

11.30am Holy Baptism of Arthur James Wilkinson

6.30pm Evening Prayer with hymns (BCP)

Officiant: The Revd Carol Backhouse, Vicar of Christ Church, Lancaster

Services next Sunday 15 August—Trinity 11

8.00am Holy Communion

President: The Revd Canon Tim Girling, Hon Associate Priest,

10.00am Priory Eucharist with Holy Baptism

President: The Revd Canon Brenda Harding, Hon Associate Priest

Sermon: The Revd Keith Brockbank, Hon Associate Priest

6.30pm Evening Prayer with hymns (BCP)Officiant: Mrs Lois Kirtley, Licensed Lay Minister

THE SERVICE SHEET THIS WEEK IS SPONSORED BY LINDA ALTHAM TO CELEBRATE GRANDAUGHTER SARAH & RORY'S 4TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY ON 5 AUGUST AND TO GIVE THANKS FOR THE WONDERFUL GIFT OF THEIR DAUGHTER BEATRICE

AND ALSO SPONSORED BY PAUL WARREN IN MEMORY OF MY MOTHER DOROTHY WARREN ON HER BIRTHDAY

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** (296)

> Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour, first-begotten from the dead, Thou alone, our strong Defender, Liftest up Thy people's head. Alleluia.

Jesus, true and living Bread!

2. Here our humblest homage pay we; Here in loving reverence bow; Here for Faith's discernment pray we, Lest we fail to know thee now, Alleluia,

Thou art here, we ask not how.

3. Though the lowliest form doth veil thee As of old in Bethlehem. Here as there thine angels hail thee, Branch and Flower of Jesse's stem. Alleluia.

We in worship join with them.

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

4.Paschal Lamb! Thine Offering finished Once for all when Thou wast slain, In its fullness undiminished Shall for evermore remain. Alleluia. Cleansing souls from every stain.

5.Life-imparting heavenly Manna, Stricken Rock, with streaming side, Heaven and earth with loud hosanna Worship Thee, the Lamb who died. Alleluia.

Risen, ascended, glorified!

G H Bourne (1840-1925)

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God, though we have rebelled against him. Let us then renounce our wilfulness and ask his mercy by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Father eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour, in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We have wounded your love and marred your image in us. We are sorry and ashamed, 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 lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen.

ALL SING THE KYRIE

Lord have mercy Christ have mercy,

Christ have mercy Christ have mercy,

Lord have mercy.

The priest pronounces the

WORDS OF ABSOLUTION

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

ALL SING THE GLORIA (Mass of Saint Thomas – Thorne)

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.
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. Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.
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.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest. 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.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.

THE COLLECT

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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 first Book of Kings

(1Kings 19.4-8)

Elijah went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: 'It is enough; now, O LORD, take

away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors.' Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, 'Get up and eat.' He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, 'Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you.' He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

For the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 34

O taste and see that the Lord is gracious

I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall ever be in my mouth. My soul shall glory in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.

O magnify the Lord with me; let us exalt his name together. I sought the Lord and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

Look upon him and be radiant and your faces shall not be ashamed. This poor soul cried, and the Lord heard me and saved me from all my troubles.

The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him and delivers them.

O taste and see that the Lord is gracious; blessed is the one who trusts in him.

O taste and see that the Lord is gracious

Please sit

THE SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter to the Ephesians

(Eph 4.25-5.2)

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving

one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

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.

We do not live by bread alone,

but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

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

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

Glory to you, O Lord (*John 6.35,41-51*)

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' They were saying, 'Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus answered them, 'Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, "And they shall all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

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

God has made us one in Christ. He has set his seal upon us, and as a pledge of what is to come has given us the Spirit to dwell in our hearts.

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** (461) is sung

There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea; there's a kindness in his justice which is more than liberty.

- 2. There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven; there is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgement given.
- 3. For the love of God is broader than the measures of man's mind; and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.
- 4.But we make his love too narrow by false limits of our own; and we magnify his strictness with a zeal he will not own.

5.There is plentiful redemption in the blood that has been shed; there is joy for all the members in the sorrows of the Head.

6.There is grace enough for thousands of new worlds as great as this; there is room for fresh creations in that upper home of bliss.

7.If our love were but more simple, we should take him at his word; and our lives would be all gladness in the joy of Christ our Lord.

F.W. Faber 1814-1863

The priest prepares the bread and wine

As this bread was scattered and then gathered and made one, so may your Church be gathered into your Kingdom.

Glory to you, O God, for ever.

Wisdom has built her a house; she has mixed her wine; she has set her table.

Glory to you, O God, for ever.

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, it is our duty and our joy, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise, holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. For he is your living Word; through him you have created all things from the beginning, and formed us in your own image. Through him you have freed us from the slavery of sin, giving him to be born of a woman and to die upon the cross; you raised him from the dead and exalted him to your right hand on high. Through him you have sent upon us your holy and life-giving Spirit, and made us a people for your own possession. And now we give you thanks because you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image and called us to new life in him.

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:

ALL SING 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.

Deacon: G

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ 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.

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.

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.

ALL SING 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

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

THE GIVING OF COMMUNION

All Christians who are members in good standing of their own denominations are invited to receive Holy Communion (only the Bread). Please follow directions from the stewards and maintain social distancing as you line up. Holy Communion is received from the priest at the chancel step, as the communion wafer is placed on your palm. 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.

and then, still sitting, we sing:

HYMN

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side;

bear patiently the cross of grief and pain;
leave to your God to order and provide;
in every change he faithful will remain.

Be still, my soul: your best, your heavenly friend through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

- 2. Be still, my soul: your God will undertake to guide the future as he has the past. Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake, all now mysterious shall be clear at last. Be still, my soul,: the waves and winds still know his voice, who ruled them while he dwelt below.
- 3. Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart and all is darkened in the vale of tears, then you shall better know his love, his heart, who comes to soothe your sorrow, calm your fears. Be still, my soul: for Jesus can repay from his own fullness all he takes away.
- 4. Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on when we shall be for ever with the Lord, when disappointment, grief and fear are gone, sorrow forgotten, love's pure joy restored. Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past, all safe and blessèd we shall meet at last.

tr. Jane Laurie Borthwick 1813-1897

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

HYMN (CP375)

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now I'm found; was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come:
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

When we've been there a thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise that when we first begun.

vs.1-4: John Newton (1725-1807) alt vs. 5: John Rees (1828-1900)

The priest gives

THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; 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.



The Priory is taking a big hit from a drop in visitor income, venue income, and service collections.

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We share a great sense of thanksgiving for all that God is inspiring around us in these difficult times.

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