LANCASTER PRIORY

St Mary with St George and St John

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



PRIORY JAZZ MASS THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY

AFTER TRINITY

19 September 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 patience .

President: The Revd Leah Vasey-Saunders, Vicar of Lancaster

Sermon: Mrs Lois Kirtley, Licensed Lay Minister

Readers: Mark Vasey-Saunders, Elias Vasey-Saunders

Intercessor: Hilary Hopwood

Organist: Ian Pattinson FRCO, Priory Organist

Choir: Full Choir & Jazz Combo
Setting: Jazz Missa Brevis (Gillthorpe)

Final Voluntary: *Alleluyas* (Preston)

12.15pm Holy Baptism of Amelie Bellanger-Baxter

6.30pm Choral Evensong (BCP)

Officiant: The Revd Keith Brockbank, Hon. Associate Priest

THE SERVICE SHEET THIS WEEK
IS SPONSORED BY ALEC AND JAN CROUCH
TO CONGRATULATE CHERYL AND DAVID
ON THEIR WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.
WITH OUR LOVE.

THE WELCOME and Notices -

Please join in with the words in **bold** type. We stand to sing

HYMN (415 T. LP26 Lyngham)

O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his Grace!

- 2. Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease; 'tis music in the sinner's ears, tis life and health and peace.
- 3. He breaks the power of cancelled sin, he sets the prisoner free: his blood can make the foulest clean; his blood availed for me.
- 4. He speaks; and listening to his voice, new life the dead receive, the mournful broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.
- 5. Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosened tongues employ; ye blind, behold your Saviour come; and leap ye lame for joy!
- 6. My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim and spread through all the earth abroad the honours of thy name.

Charles Wesley 1707-1788

THE GREETING

The president says

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 junior members of our congregation gather at the chancel steps and after a prayer they go to their classes.

THE PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

The deacon invites us to confess our sins

When the Lord comes, he will bring to light things now hidden in darkness, and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Therefore in that light, we confess our sins.

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.

THE KYRIE The Choir sings

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

The priest pronounces God's forgiveness

May the God of all healing and forgiveness draw you to himself, and cleanse you from all your sins that we may behold the glory of his Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE GLORIA The Choir sings

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

The President says 'Let us pray' and silence is kept

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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

THE FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah (Jeremiah 11.18-20) It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds. But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying,

'Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!'

But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

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

GRADUAL PSALM

We remained seated as the choir leads the psalm, please join in the response in **bold**



Save me, O God, by your name and vindicate me by your power. Hear my prayer, O God; give heed to the words of my mouth. For strangers have risen up against me, and the ruthless seek after my life; they have not set God before them. Behold, God is my helper; it is the Lord who upholds my life. May evil rebound on those who lie in wait for me; destroy them in your faithfulness. An offering of a free heart will I give you and praise your name, O Lord, for it is gracious. For he has delivered me out of all my trouble, and my eye has seen the downfall of my enemies.

I will praise your name for it is gracious

THE SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter of James

(James 3.13-4.3,7-8a)

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

For the word of the Lord Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

Please stand

Cantor: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Jesus proclaimed, 'Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.'

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 Mark

Glory to you, O Lord (Mark 9.30-37)

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to

be first must be last of all and servant of all.' Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

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

Please sit

SERMON Mrs Lois Kirtley, Licensed Lay Minister

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Please stand

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 *Please sit. 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.

THE PEACE Please stand

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation. The old has passed away; the new has come. 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 HYMN (LP34)

The Gifts are brought to the Altar.

In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song; This Cornerstone, this solid ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease! My Comforter, my All in All -Here in the love of Christ I stand.

2. In Christ alone, who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe! This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save. 'Til on that cross as Jesus died, The Son of God was glorified; For every sin on Him was laid -Here in the death of Christ Llive.

- 3. There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain; Then bursting forth in glorious Day, Up from the grave He rose again! And as He stands in victory, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me; For I am His and He is mine -Brought with the precious blood of Christ.
- 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death -This is the power of Christ in me; From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand: 'Til He returns or calls me home -Here in the power of Christ I'll stand. Keith Getty b.1974 & S Townend b.1963

The president takes the bread and wine and prays

Wise and gracious God, you spread a table before us; nourish your people with the word of life and the bread of heaven. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you And also with you. We lift them to the Lord.

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise

Father, you made the world and love your creation. You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour. His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death. And so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels 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.

The president continues

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son. On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: 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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross. Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Jesus Christ is Lord: Deacon:

Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. You are the Saviour of the world.

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

Amen.

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 AGNUS DEI The choir sings

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 GIVING OF COMMUNION

The president says

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 President and people receive Communion.

We welcome communicant members of all Christian denominations to receive Communion. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please carry this booklet with you. Gluten-free hosts are available, please indicate this to the president, green cards are available from the sidespeople for this purpose.

COMMUNION ANTHEM The choir sings: *Pange lingua* (Cooper)

Alleluia, Amen .Pange lingua gloriosi Corporis mysterium, Sanguinisque pretiosi, Quem in mundi pretium Fructus ventris generosi, Rex effudit gentium. Nobis datus, nobis natus Ex intacta Virgine Et in mundo conversatus, sparso verbi semine, Sui moras incolatus miro clausit ordine. Alleluia, Amen

Of the glorious Body telling, O my tongue, its mysteries sing, And the Blood, all price excelling, Which the world's eternal King, In a noble womb once dwelling Shed for the world's ransoming. Given for us, for us descending, Of a virgin to proceed, Man with man in converse blending, Scattered he the gospel seed, Till his sojourn drew to ending, Which he closed in wondrous deed

COMMUNION HYMN (375)

We remain seated as we sing

Amazing grace (how sweet the sound) that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

- 2.'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!
- 3. Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come:
 'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
- 4. The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.
- 5. When we've been there a thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we first begun.

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

HYMN (OChOFOL584)

Sing of the Lord's goodness,
Father of all wisdom
come to him and bless his name;
Mercy he has shown us,
his love is for ever,
faithful to the end of days.

Come then all you nations, sing of the Lord's goodness melodies of praise and thanks to God; ring out the Lord's glory, praise him with your music, worship him and bless his name.

- 2. Power he has wielded, honour is his garment risen from the snares of death; his word he has spoken one bread he has broken new life he now gives to all.
- 3. Courage in our darkness comfort in our sorrow, Spirit of God most high; solace for the weary, pardon for the sinner, splendour of the living God.
- 4. Praise him with your singing, praise him with the trumpet, praise God with the lute and harp; praise him with the cymbals, praise him with your dancing, praise God till the end of days.

Ernest Sands

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The president says

May the Father from whom every family in earth and heaven receives its name strengthen you with his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; 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.



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