



LANCASTER PRIORY

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THE EUCHARIST

The Third Sunday Before Advent

7 November 2021

10.00am

Welcome to Lancaster Priory

We are really pleased that you are worshipping with us today. Wherever you have come from, this is your church and you are unconditionally welcome.

As we come towards the end of the church's liturgical year we have given thanks for all the saints, living and departed, we have prayed with those who mourn and remembered those who have died (All Souls Day), and we prepare to pay tribute to those who bear the cost of war and violence in current and past conflicts on Remembrance Sunday this coming week. We also begin to look toward the feast of Christ the King (21 November) and Advent, we set all of our remembering into the context of God's promise of an eternal and peaceable kingdom.

The restrictions under which our services are being conducted at the moment are part of our responsibility to ensure that all who worship and visit the priory feel safe and valued. These are available on an additional flyer at the back of church. Thank you for your patience.

Today's services (The Third Sunday Before Advent):

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

Preacher: The Revd Canon John Roff, Hon. Associate Priest

The Readers: Dawn Cheetham, Jude Vasey-Saunders.

Intercessor: David Lewis

Organist: Ian Pattinson FRCO, Priory Organist. Choir: Boys & ATB

Setting: *Mass of the quiet hour* (Oldroyd)

Voluntary: *Trumpet Voluntary* (Clarke)

12.15pm Baptisms

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

6.30pm Choral Evensong (BCP)

Officiant: Mrs Lois Kirtley, Licensed Lay Minister

The Welcome and Notices

Hymn (333) *Please stand as the procession enter during an organ improvisation.*

We then sing

All my hope on God is founded;
he doth still my trust renew.
Me through change and chance he guideth,
only good and only true.
God unknown.
he alone
calls my heart to be his own.

2. Pride of man and earthly glory,
sword and crown betray his trust;
what with care and toil he buildeth,
tower and temple, fall to dust.

 But God's power
 hour by hour,
is my temple and my tower.

3. God's great goodness aye endureth,
deep his wisdom, passing thought:
splendour, light, and life attend him,
beauty springeth out of naught.

 Evermore
 from his store
new-born worlds rise and adore.

4. Daily doth th'Almighty giver
bounteous gifts on us bestow;
his desire our soul delighteth,
pleasure leads us where we go.

 Love doth stand
 at his hand;
joy doth wait on his command.

5. Still from man to God eternal
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of Christ his Son.

 Christ doth call
 one and all:
ye who follow shall not fall.

Robert Bridges (1844-1930)

The Greeting

The priest welcomes us saying

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.**

Young Church and their leaders gather at the front and the president prays with them before they go to their activities.

The Prayers of Penitence

The Deacon says

Christ calls us to share the heavenly banquet of his love with all the saints in earth and heaven. Knowing our unworthiness and sin, let us ask from him both mercy and forgiveness.

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 *The choir sings*

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

Words of Absolution

The priest declares God's forgiveness and we respond Amen.

The Gloria *All sing*

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 *The priest says 'let us pray' and silence is kept*

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; 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 *Jonah 3.1-5, 10*

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, 'Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.' So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, 'Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!' And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

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

Gradual Psalm *The choir leads the psalm, we join in the response*

PSALM 62



On God a - lone my soul_ waits in still - ness.

Wait on God alone in stillness, O my soul;
for in him is my hope.

He alone is my rock and my salvation,
my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.

In God is my strength and my glory;
God is my strong rock; in him is my refuge.

Put your trust in him always, my people;
pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.

The peoples are but a breath,
the whole human race a deceit;
on the scales they are altogether lighter than air.
Put no trust in oppression; in robbery take no empty pride;
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.

God spoke once, and twice have I heard the same,
that power belongs to God.

Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord,
for you repay everyone according to their deeds.

On God alone my soul waits in stillness

The Second Reading Hebrews 9.24-end

For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgement, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him. For the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel Reading Mark 1. 14-20

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation, the cantor sings

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia**

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

Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heaven. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia**

The deacon says

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

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

Glory to you, O Lord

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.' As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fish for people.' And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him. *This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.***

The Sermon *Please sit.*

The Creed *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. This response is used Lord, in your mercy **hear our prayer.**

And at the end.

Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Peace *Please stand*

To crown all things there must be love, to bind all together and complete the whole. Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

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

The deacon says Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

We wave and nod at one another as a sign of peace.

The Offertory Hymn (49)

Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,
dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;
star of the east, the horizon adorning,
guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

2. Cold on his cradle the dew-drops are shining;
low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;
angels adore him in slumber reclining,
Maker and Monarch and Saviour of all.

3. Say, shall we yield him, in costly devotion,
odours of Edom, and offerings divine,
gems of the mountain, and pearls of the ocean,
myrrh from the forest, or gold from the mine?

4. Vainly we offer each ample oblation,
vainly with gifts would his favour secure:
Richer by far is the heart's adoration,
dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.

5. Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,
dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;
star of the east, the horizon adorning,
guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

Reginald Heber 1783-1826

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**

The priest gives thanks to God for his mighty acts and the choir sings

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The priest recalls the last supper and the deacon says Great is the mystery of faith

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

The priest continues and ends with the doxology to which all respond by saying

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our saviour taught us, so we pray

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 *Please sit. 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

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you. Eat in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The priest 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 Ubi caritas (Duruflé)*

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Exultemus, et in ipso iucundemur.
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.

Where charity and love are, God is there.
Christ's love has gathered us into one.
Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him.
Let us fear, and let us love the living God.
And may we love each other with a
sincere heart.

Communion Hymn (LP31) *We remain seated*

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the works thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed;
*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
how great thou art, how great thou art!*
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how great thou art, how great thou art!*

2. When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze;
Then sings my soul...

3. And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
sent him to die – I scarce can take it in:
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
he bled and died to take away my sin;
Then sings my soul...

4. When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home – what joy shall fill my heart!
Then shall I bow in humble adoration,
and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art!
*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
how great thou art, how great thou art!*
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how great thou art, how great thou art!*

tr. Stuart K. Hine 1899-1989

Prayer After Communion

We pray together

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hymn (420) *Please stand.*

1. O Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
be thou for ever near me,
my Master and my Friend:
I shall not fear the battle
if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway
if thou wilt be my guide.

2. O let me feel thee near me:
the world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle,
the tempting sounds I hear;
my foes are ever near me,
around me and within;
but, Jesus, draw thou nearer,
and shield my soul from sin.

3. O let me hear thee speaking
in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion,
the murmurs of self-will;
O speak to reassure me,
to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen,
thou guardian of my soul.

4. O Jesus, thou hast promised
to all who follow thee,
that where thou art in glory
there shall thy servant be;
and, Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end:
O give me grace to follow,
my Master and my Friend.

5. O let me see thy foot-marks,
and in them plant mine own;
my hope to follow duly
is in thy strength alone:
O guide me, call me, draw me,
uphold me to the end;
and then in heaven receive me,
my Saviour and my Friend.

JE Bode 1816-1874

The Blessing and Dismissal

The priest prays

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.**

The Deacon says

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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