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All Age Eucharist

Sustainability Week
Festival of the Earth: GAIA

10th July 2022
10.00am

Welcome to Lancaster Priory

In the book of Genesis we are told that God created the world and “saw that it was good”. Rich, diverse and fragile, the creation reflected something of God’s glory. We are then told that humanity was created in God’s image as stewards of God’s creation. Reflecting in a particular way God’s creativity, wisdom and compassion, we are called to care for God’s creation.

Lancaster Priory is currently hosting Luke Jerram’s GAIA exhibition as part of a month long Festival of the Earth. Each of the weeks during this month has a theme and this week’s theme is ‘Sustainability’. Throughout the week we are reflecting on the way in which we live and the changes we can make for the good of the earth.

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Congratulations to Miriam on reaching her half century.

Today’s service (Trinity 4):

President & Preacher: The Revd Leah Vasey-Saunders

The Readers: Lois Kirtley Intercessions: Sarah Hutchins

Organist: Ian Pattinson FRCO, Priory Organist

Choir: Boys, ATB & Children’s Choir Setting: *Lincoln Service* (Archer)

Before the service starts, look around at the things in the building. What can you see from your seat? Can you see...

Australia

Africa

Antarctica

Pacific Ocean

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The Welcome and Notices

Please stand as the procession enters and we sing the hymn and the altar is censed.

Hymn (436)

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven
to his feet thy tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who like me his praise should sing?
Alleluia, Alleluia,
praise the everlasting King.

2. Praise him for his grace and favour
to our fathers in distress;
praise him still the same for ever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
glorious in his faithfulness.

3. Father-like he tends and spares us,
well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
widely as his mercy flows.

4. Angels, help us to adore him;
ye behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
praise with us the God of Grace.

Henry Francis Lyte 1793-1847
from Psalm 103

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.**

Prayers of Penitence *A minister introduces the confession*

We confess our sin, and the sins of our society, in the misuse of God's creation.

Silence.

Can you think of a country where there is not enough water or food?

The Kyrie *We all sing*

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.

The musical score is written on three staves. The first staff is labeled 'Org.' and 'Upper voices' and contains the melody for 'Lord have mer-cy, Lord have mer-cy, Lord have mer-cy.' The second staff is labeled 'Lower voices' and 'Full' and contains the melody for 'Christ have mer-cy, Christ have mer-cy, Christ have mer-cy. Lord have'. The third staff continues the melody for 'mer-cy, Lord have mer-cy, Lord have mer-cy.' The music is in 3/4 time and G major.

The president proclaims God's forgiveness

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.**

Gloria in Excelsis (T.271) *We sing*

Glory be to God in heaven,
Peace on earth for evermore:
Honour, worship, thanks and glory
To the God whom we adore.
Jesus Christ, the world's Redeemer,
Lamb of God and Priest most high:
Take away our sin and weakness,
Hear your people as they cry.

Glory be to Christ our Saviour,
Sat at God's right hand above.
Glory be to God the Spirit,
Breath of God, the bond of love.
Glory be to God who calls us,
Heals us, feeds us, makes us one:
You alone we praise and worship
While unending ages run. **Amen.**
Words: C Thompson Melody: HYFRODOL

The Collect *The president says 'Let us pray' and silence is kept*

Gracious Father, by the obedience of Jesus you brought salvation to our wayward world: draw us into harmony with your will, that we may find all things restored in him, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

New Testament Reading Colossians 1.1-14

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,
To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. For the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel Acclamation and Reading Luke 10.25-37

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation, the cantor sings

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

God has spoken to us through his Son, through whom he created the worlds.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

A minister says The Lord be with you **and also with you.**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

During these words, some people make the sign of the cross with their thumbs on their heads, mouth and chest. This reminds us that the words in the gospel should be in our minds, on our lips and in our hearts.

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.' This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Sermon *Please sit.*

The Creed *We 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.

How long does it take for Australia to rotate once around the earth.

Prayers of Intercession *Please kneel or sit for the intercessions.*

This response is used Creator God **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. The president introduces the Peace*

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.**

A minister says Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace

Offertory Hymn (LP 17)

I, the Lord and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?:

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame,
 I will tend the poor and lame.
 I will set a feast for them.
 My hand will save.
 Finest bread I will provide
 till their hearts be satisfied.
 I will give my life to them.
 Whom shall I send?:

Words: D L Schutte & New Dawn Music 1981
 Arranged by: Michael Pope

What is happening on the altar during this hymn? Can you see all of the things that we are offering to God with thanks?

Look out for the person with smoke (this represents our prayers rising to God). Listen out for the bell ringing too!

The Eucharistic Prayer *The president sings*

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.**

Blessed are you, Lord God, our light and our salvation; to you be glory and praise for ever. From the beginning you have created all things and all your works echo the silent music of your praise. In the fullness of time you made us in your image, the crown of all creation. You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels and all the powers of heaven we may find a voice to sing your praise:

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and common time. It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est." Performance markings include "Org." above the first and third staves, "Full" above the second and fourth staves, and "Org." above the fifth staff. There is also a "3" marking above the first staff.

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 How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord. As a mother tenderly gathers her children, you embraced a people as your own. When they turned away and rebelled your love remained steadfast. From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary, to be the living bread, in whom all our hungers are satisfied. He offered his life for sinners, and with a love stronger than death he opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died, he came to supper with his friends and, taking bread, he gave you thanks. He broke it and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, 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.

A minister says Great is the mystery of faith: **Christ has died: Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

The president continues

Father, we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross; we remember his dying and rising in glory, and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand. Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you these gifts of your creation; may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence, form us in the likeness of Christ, and build us into a living temple to your glory. Bring us at the last with Thomas, the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints to the vision of that eternal splendour for which you have created us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, by whom, with whom, and in whom, 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 forever and ever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer *We pray together in our preferred version or 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.

Breaking of the Bread *The president breaks the consecrated 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 as we all sing*

Org. Full

Je-sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us,

Je - sus bea-rer of our sin, have mer - cy on us, Je - sus re -

dee-mer of the world, grant us peace.

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus bearer of our sin, have mercy on us. Jesus redeemer of the world, grant us peace.

The Giving of Communion *The president says*

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper. **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

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.

How much blue sea is there?

Can you see where you live or a place you have visited?

Anthem *Look at the world* (Rutter)

Look at the world, everything all around us, Look at the world and marvel every day. Look at the world: so many joys and wonders, So many miracles along our way. Praise to thee, O Lord for all creation. Give us thankful hearts that we may see

All the gifts we share, and every blessing, All things come of thee.

Look at the earth bringing forth fruit and flower. Look at the sky, the sunshine and the rain. Look at the hills; look at the trees and mountains, Valley and flowing river, field and plain.

Think of the spring, think of the warmth of summer, Bringing the harvest before the winter's cold. Everything grows, everything has a season, 'til it is gathered to the Father's fold:

Every good gift, all that we need and cherish, Comes from the Lord, in token of his love. We are his hands, stewards of all his bounty. His is the earth and his the heavens above.

Children's Choir *Everywhere Around Me*

Communion Hymn (LP New)

Be still and know that I am God.

Be still and know that I am God.

Be still and know that I am God.

2. I am the Lord who saves and heals.

I am the Lord who saves and heals.

I am the Lord who saves and heals.

3. In you, Lord God, I put my trust.

In you, Lord God, I put my trust.

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Author unknown based on Psalm 46: 10

Prayer after Communion *All pray together*

Lord of all creation, as we have received the bread and wine, fruits of the earth and tokens of salvation, so with joy we celebrate your goodness and commit ourselves to serve you on your earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn (373 t:LP3)

How shall I sing that majesty
which angels do admire?

Let dust in dust and silence lie;
sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.

Thousands of thousands stand around
thy throne, O God most high;
ten thousand times ten thousand sound
thy praise; but who am I?

2. Thy brightness unto them appears,
whilst I thy footsteps trace;
a sound of God comes to my ears,
but they behold thy face.

They sing, because thou art their Sun;
Lord, send a beam on me;
for where heaven is but once begun
there alleluias be.

3. Enlighten with faith's light my heart,
in flame it with love's fire;
then shall I sing and bear a part
with that celestial choir.
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold,
with all my fire and light;
yet when thou dost accept their gold,
Lord, treasure up my mite.

4. How great a being, Lord, is thine,
which doth all beings keep!
Thy knowledge is the only line
to sound so vast a deep.
Thou art a sea without a shore,
a sun without a sphere;
thy time is now and evermore,
thy place is everywhere.
John Mason 1645-1694

The Blessing and Dismissal *The president says*

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

May God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all goodness and growth, pour his blessing upon all things created, and upon you his children, that you may use his gifts to his glory and the welfare of all peoples; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

A minister says

Jesus said to the disciples,

'Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation' *Mark 16.15*

Thanks be to God.

Organ Voluntary *Hornpipe* (Handel)

Please remain standing while the servers, choir and clergy depart.