



A welcoming, inclusive, Christian community

ALL AGE EUCHARIST

Ordinary Time
9 October 2022
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.

Today is an intergenerational service and our children and young people stay in church. We gather together to learn and be nurtured by word and sacrament as disciples of Jesus.

Throughout this booklet you will find instructions regarding posture (sit and stand), these capture what is normal for our congregation but are not intended to be restrictive for those who may need to sit or indeed not sit for too long.

The Collect, Hymns and Bible references for today are on the notice sheet. We are encouraging those who are able to go paperless for our services to do so and a complete order of service (readings, hymns, and notices) is available using this QR code:



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

a cross a brass eagle a crown organ pipes a candle

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The Welcome and Notices

*Please stand as the choir, servers and clergy enter.
We sing the hymn and the altar is censed.*

Processional Hymn

We plough the fields, and scatter
the good seed on the land,
but it is fed and watered
by God's almighty hand:
he sends the snow in winter,
the warmth to swell the grain,
the breezes, and the sunshine,
and soft, refreshing rain.

*All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all his love.*

He only is the maker
of all things near and far;
he paints the wayside flower,
he lights the evening star;
the winds and waves obey him,
by him the birds are fed;
much more to us, his children,
he gives our daily bread.

All good gifts

We thank thee, then, O Father,
for all things bright and good,
the seed-time and the harvest,
our life, our health, our food.
Accept the gifts we offer
for all thy love imparts,
and, what thou most desirest,
our humble, thankful hearts

All good gifts ...

Matthias Claudius (1740-1815)
Tr Jane Montgomery Campbell (1817-1878)

The Greeting

The president says

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

*The Children place the symbols of faith on a small table under the pulpit and read
the opening sentences as they do every week in Young Church.*

The Book of Bible Readings is opened and placed on the table.

In the beginning was the Word.
God's word is for everyone. *cf John 1.1*

A candle is lit.

The true light was coming into the world.
God's light is for everyone. *cf John 1.9*

The Cross, the sign of Christ is placed on the table.

Jesus was born and died and is risen: forever alive.
God's love is for everyone.

Prayers of Penitence and Forgiveness

The deacon says

God shows his love for us in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
Let us then show our love for him by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

*Watch how some people move their hands in front of them during this prayer.
What shape are they making?*

The Kyrie

All sing

Org. **Upper voices**
Lord have mer- cy, Lord have mer- cy, Lord have mer- cy. —

Lower voices **Full**
— Christ have mer- cy, Christ have mer- cy, Christ have mer - cy. — Lord have

mer- cy, Lord have mer- cy, Lord have mer - - - cy. —

The musical score is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat. It consists of three staves. The first staff is for the Organ and Upper voices, with lyrics 'Lord have mer- cy, Lord have mer- cy, Lord have mer- cy. —'. The second staff is for Lower voices and Full, with lyrics '— Christ have mer- cy, Christ have mer- cy, Christ have mer - cy. — Lord have'. The third staff continues the lyrics 'mer- cy, Lord have mer- cy, Lord have mer - - - cy. —'.

The president proclaims God's forgiveness

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Gloria (T.271)

All 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: Hyfrydol

The Collect

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

Eternal God,
you crown the year with your goodness
and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season:
grant that we may use them to your glory,
for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being;
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 Reading Philippians 4.4-9

A reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

For the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

The Gospel Reading John 6.25-35

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The cantor sings a sentence from the Bible

Lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are ripe for harvesting.

Gather the fruit for eternal life.

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 John.

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.

When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat." ' Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.'

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.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

Please sit.

Please stand

The Affirmation of Faith

**We believe in God the father;
from whom every family in heaven and earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us with power from on high.**

**We believe in God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

*Sometimes people light candles when they say prayers.
How many lit candles can you count around the church today?*

Please sit.

Prayers of Intercession

*Please follow the instructions of the intercessor
and at the end of the prayers we say together*

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

Please stand

The Peace

We are the body of Christ.

In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.

Let us then pursue all that makes for peace
and builds up our common life.

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 acknowledge one another with a sign of peace.

The Offertory Hymn

During this hymn a collection will be taken.

The gifts of the people are gathered and presented.

The altar is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

The president takes the bread and wine.

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
forgive our foolish ways;
re-clothe us in our rightful mind,
in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper reverence praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard,
beside the Syrian sea,
the gracious calling of the Lord,
let us, like them, without a word
rise up and follow thee.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with thee
the silence of eternity,
interpreted by love!

Drop thy still dews of quietness,
till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire
thy coolness and thy balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still small voice of calm.

John Greenleaf Whittier 1807-1892

*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 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

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:

All sing

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.

The priest 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.

The deacon says

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

The priest continues

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 the Blessed Virgin Mary and 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.

Silence is kept.

The Lord's Prayer

We pray together in our preferred version or language.

Gathering our prayers and praises into one,
let us pray as our Saviour taught us:

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.

Please sit.

The Agnus Dei

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.

The Giving of Communion

The congregation are invited 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 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.

*Whilst we wait quietly for everyone to receive communion or a blessing,
have another look around. Look at the stained glass windows.
What else can you see?*

Communion Anthem

The choir sings the anthem.

Communion Hymn

We remain seated as we sing.

Beauty for brokenness, hope for despair
Lord, in Your suffering world this is our prayer.
Bread for your children, justice, joy, peace,
Sunrise to sunset Your kingdom increase!

Shelter for fragile lives, cures for their ills,
Work for the craftsmen, trade for their skills;
Land for the dispossessed, rights for the weak,
Voices to plead the cause of those who can't speak.

*God of the poor, friend of the weak,
Give us compassion we pray;
Melt our cold hearts, let tears fall like rain;
Come, change our love from a spark to a flame.*

Refuge from cruel wars, havens from fear,
Cities for sanctuary, freedom to share.
Peace to the killing-fields, scorched earth to green,
Christ for the bitterness, His cross for the pain.

Rest for the ravaged earth, oceans and streams
Plundered and poisoned – our future, our dreams.
Lord, end our madness, carelessness, greed;
Make us content with the things that we need.

God of the poor, friend of the weak...

Lighten our darkness, breathe on this flame
Until Your justice burns brightly again;
Until the nations learn of Your ways,
Seek your salvation and bring You their praise.

God of the poor, friend of the weak...

Words and Music *Graham Kendrick*

Prayer After Communion

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

Lord of the harvest,
with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation
and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom:
by your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us
and make us generous and wise stewards
of the good things we enjoy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Please stand.

The Blessing

The priest prays

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

God the Father, who created the world,
give you grace to be wise stewards of his creation.
Amen.

God the Son, who redeemed the world,
inspire you to go out as labourers into his harvest.
Amen.

God the Holy Spirit, whose breath fills the whole of creation,
help you to bear his fruits of love, joy and peace.
Amen.

...and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be
among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Recessional Hymn

As we sing this hymn please turn to face the ministers at the font.

For the fruits of all creation
thanks be to God;
for the gifts of every nation,
thanks be to God;
for the ploughing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safe keeping,
thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labour,
God's will is done;
in the help we give our neighbour,
God's will is done;
in our world-wide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.

For the harvests of the Spirit,
thanks be to God;
for the good we all inherit,
thanks be to God;
for the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all, that love has found us,
thanks be to God.

F Pratt Green 1903-2000

The Dismissal

The deacon says

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ. Amen

Organ Voluntary

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