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# **THE EUCHARIST**

Christ the King

**20 November 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 we celebrate the feast of Christ the King. This marks the end of the annual cycle of the Church's year. The year that begins with the hope of the coming Messiah ends with the proclamation of his universal sovereignty. The ascension of Christ has revealed him to be Lord of earth and heaven, and final judgement is one of his proper kingly purposes. The Feast of Christ the King returns us to the Advent theme of judgement, with which the cycle once more begins.

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 (Christ the King):

President: The Revd Dr Susan Salt Preacher: Lois Kirtley (LLM)

The Readers: Barbara Gardner, Peter Hopwood

Intercessor: Hilary Hopwood.

Organist: Ian Pattinson FRCO, Priory Organist. Choir: Consort

Setting: *Missa Brevis* (Dove)

Voluntary: *Nun danket alle Gott* (Karg-Elert).

## 18.30 Recording of Midnight Mass

*Please be seated for 18.15.*

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Barbara Gardner

To mark Stephen's Birthday on the 23<sup>rd</sup> November.

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## The Welcome and Notices

### Hymn (NEH345) *Please stand.*

Christ is the King! O friends rejoice;  
brothers and sisters with one voice  
tell all the world he is your choice.  
*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

2 O magnify the Lord and raise-  
anthems of joy and holy praise  
for Christ's brave saints of ancient days.  
*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

3 They with a faith for ever new  
followed the King, and round him drew  
thousands of faithful hearts and true.  
*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

4 O Christian women, Christian men,  
all the world over, seek again  
the Way disciples followed then.  
*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

5 Christ through all ages is the same:  
place the same hope in his great name,  
with the same faith his word proclaim.  
*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

6 Let Love's unconquerable might  
your scattered companies unite  
in service to the Lord of light.  
*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

7 So shall God's will on earth be done,  
new lamps be lit, new tasks begun,  
and the whole church at last be one.  
*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

G.K.A. Bell 1883-1958

### The Greeting *The president says*

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

*The president greets the people*

Lift up your heads, O gates; be lifted up, you everlasting doors.  
**and the King of glory shall come in.**

Who is the King of glory?  
**The lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.**

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.*

Blessed are you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Creator of Heaven and Earth you are surrounded with your saints in glory. Grant us the light of love which never fails, that it may burn in us and shed its light around us until we come to you and your saints in everlasting light.

**Amen.**

## **Prayers of Penitence and Forgiveness** *The deacon says*

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

The kingdom is yours, but we turn away from your just rule:

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

The power is yours, but we trust in our own power and strength:

Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

The glory is yours, but we fall short of the glory of God:

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

## **The 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 eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **The Gloria** *The choir sings*

Gloria in excelsis Deo,  
et in terra pax  
hominibus bonae voluntatis.  
Laudamus te, Benedicimus te,  
Adoramus te, Glorificamus te.  
Gratias agimus tibi  
propter magnam gloriam tuam,  
Domine Deus, Rex coelestis  
Deus Pater omnipotens.

*Glory be to God on high,  
and in earth peace,  
goodwill towards men.  
We praise thee, we bless thee,  
we worship thee, we glorify thee,  
we give thanks to thee  
for thy great glory,  
O Lord God, heavenly King,  
God the Father almighty.*

Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe.  
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris,  
Qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.  
Qui tollis peccata mundi,  
suscipe deprecationem nostram.  
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,  
miserere nobis.  
Quoniam tu solus sanctus.  
Tu solus Dominus.  
Tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe.  
Cum sancto Spiritu,  
in gloria Dei Patris.  
Amen.

*O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God  
the Father, have mercy upon us.  
For thou only art holy;  
thou only art the Lord;  
thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.*

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

God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory.

**Amen.**

*Please sit.*

## **The First Reading** Jeremiah 23.1-6

*A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.*

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore, thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'  
For the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual Hymn (NEH 457ii)

1 The King of love my shepherd is,  
whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his  
and he is mine for ever.

2 Where streams of living water flow  
my ransomed soul he leadeth,  
and where the verdant pastures grow  
with food celestial feedeth.

3 Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,  
but yet in love he sought me,  
and on his shoulder gently laid,  
and home rejoicing brought me.

4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill  
with thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
thy cross before to guide me.

5 Thou spread'st a table in my sight;  
thy unction grace bestoweth;  
and O what transport of delight  
from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days  
thy goodness faileth never:  
good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
within thy house for ever.

H.W. Baker (1821-77)

## The Second Reading Colossians 1.11-20

*A reading from the letter to the Colossians.*

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.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

For the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **The Gospel Reading** Luke 23.33-43

*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**

*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**

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.' And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

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**

*A minister says*  
Let us offer one another a sign of peace.  
*We acknowledge one another with a sign of peace.*



## Offertory Hymn (LP 42)

1 From heav'n you came, helpless babe,  
entered our world, your glory veil'd,  
Not to be served, but to serve,  
and give Your life that we might live.

*This is our God, the servant King,  
he calls us now to follow him,  
to bring our lives as a daily offering  
of worship to the Servant King.*

2 There in the garden of tears  
My heavy load he chose to bear.  
His heart with sorrow was torn,  
'Yet not my will but Yours,' He said.

*This is our God . . .*

3 Come see His hands and His feet,  
The scars that speak of sacrifice  
Hands that flung stars into space  
To cruel nails surrendered.

*This is our God . . .*

4 So let us learn how to serve  
And in our lives enthrone him.  
Each other's needs to prefer,  
For it is Christ we're serving.

*This is our God . . .*

G Kendrick (b.1950)

## 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, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. For with the oil of gladness you have anointed Christ the Lord, your only Son, to be our great high priest and king of all creation.

As priest, he offered himself once for all upon the altar of the cross and redeemed the human race by this perfect sacrifice of peace.

As king he claims dominion over all your creatures, that he may bring before your infinite majesty a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and peace.

And so with angels and archangels and all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join their unending hymn of praise:

*The choir sings*

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,

Dominus Deus Sabaoth.

Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.

Hosanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit In Nomine Domini.

Hosanna in excelsis.

*Holy, Holy, Holy,*

*Lord God of power and might.*

*Heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

*Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

*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.

*A minister 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.**

## **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*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, *Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,*  
miserere nobis. *have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, *Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,*  
miserere nobis. *have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, *Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,*  
dona nobis pacem. *grant us peace.*

## The Giving of 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.*

## Communion Anthem *The choir sings O God the King of Glory (Purcell)*

## Communion Hymn (NEH 276) *We remain seated*

1 Bread of heaven, on thee we feed,  
for thy flesh is meat indeed;  
ever may our souls be fed  
with this true and living bread;  
day by day with strength supplied  
through the life of him who died.

2 Vine of heaven, thy blood supplies  
this blest cup of sacrifice;  
Lord, thy wounds our healing give,  
to thy cross we look and live:  
Jesus, may we ever be  
grafted, rooted, built in thee.

Josiah Conder 1789-1855

## Prayer After Communion *Please stand. The president prays*

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **The Blessing** *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.**

## **Hymn** (LP15) *We turn to face the servers, choir and clergy.*

1 Christ triumphant, ever reigning,  
Saviour, Master, King!  
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,  
hear us as we sing:  
*Yours the glory and the crown,  
the high renown, the eternal name!*

2 Word incarnate, truth revealing,  
Son of Man on earth!  
power and majesty concealing  
by your humble birth:  
*Yours the glory...*

3 Suffering servant, scorned, ill-treated,  
victim crucified!  
death is through the cross defeated,  
sinners justified:  
*Yours the glory...*

4 Priestly king, enthroned for ever  
high in heaven above!  
sin and death and hell shall never  
stifle hymns of love:  
*Yours the glory...*

5 So, our hearts and voices raising  
through the ages long,  
ceaselessly upon you gazing,  
this shall be our song:  
*Yours the glory...*

Michael Seward (1932-2015)

## **The Dismissal** *A minister says*

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.*