



A welcoming, inclusive, Christian community

# THE EUCHARIST

27<sup>th</sup> August 2023

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

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.

We are currently in the part of the church year known as Ordinary Time. This is the part of the year where we are not celebrating one of the great festivals of our faith or preparing ourselves for celebration. It is a time to give thanks and praise for the ordinary, everyday blessings we know in our lives and to bring our concerns and failings to God, asking him to transform us and our world into his likeness.

*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.*

Notices are given at before the service, please see the notice sheet for more information.

Refreshments are served at the back of church following this service every week. Please join us.



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The english text for the Gloria, Sanctus & Benedictus and Agnus Dei are from *The Mass of St Thomas* by Thorne.

## Acknowledgements

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## The Welcome and Notices

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

### Processional Hymn NEH 271

Alleluya, sing to Jesus,  
His the sceptre, his the throne;  
Alleluya, his the triumph,  
His the victory alone:  
Hark the songs of peaceful Sion  
Thunder like a mighty flood;  
Jesus out of every nation,  
Hath redeemed us by his blood.

2 Alleluya, not as orphans  
Are we left in sorrow now;  
Alleluya, he is near us,  
Faith believes, nor questions how;  
Though the cloud from sight received  
him  
When the forty days were o'er,  
Shall our hearts forget his promise,  
'I am with you evermore'?

3 Alleluya, Bread of Angels,  
Thou on earth our food, our stay;  
Alleluya, here the sinful  
Flee to thee from day to day;  
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,  
Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,  
Where the songs of all the sinless  
Sweep across the crystal sea.

4 Alleluya, King eternal,  
Thee the Lord of lords we own;  
Alleluya, born of Mary,  
Earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:  
Thou within the veil hast entered,  
Robed in flesh, our great High Priest;  
Thou on earth both Priest and Victim  
In the Eucharistic Feast.

W. Chatterton Dix, 1837-98

## 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.**

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

# Prayers of Penitence and Forgiveness

*The deacon says*

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

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 Absolution

*The priest says*

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 life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## The Gloria

*The Choir sings*

*Or*

*We all sing*

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 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.

Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe.  
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,  
Filius Patris,

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;

Qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.

you are seated at the right hand of the  
Father: receive our prayer.

Qui tollis peccata mundi,  
suscipe deprecationem nostram.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God  
in the Highest.

Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,  
miserere nobis.

For you alone are the Holy One, you  
alone are the Lord,

Quoniam tu solus sanctus.  
Tu solus Dominus.  
Tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe.  
Cum Sancto Spiritu,  
in gloria Dei Patris.  
Amen.

you alone are the Most High, Jesus  
Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.  
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to  
God in the Highest.

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

God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us:  
remind us of your goodness,  
increase your grace within us,  
that our thankfulness may grow,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The First Reading Isaiah 51.1-6

*Please sit.*

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the Lord.  
Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which  
you were dug.

Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you;  
for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many.  
For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places,  
and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord;  
joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.

Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation;  
for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples.  
I will bring near my deliverance swiftly,  
my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples;  
the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope.  
Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath;  
for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment,  
and those who live on it will die like gnats;  
but my salvation will be for ever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

For the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

## Gradual Hymn NEH 341

*We stand to sing.*

Blest are the pure in heart,  
For they shall see our God,  
The secret of the Lord is theirs,  
Their soul is Christ's abode.

2 The Lord, who left the heavens  
Our life and peace to bring,  
To dwell in lowliness with men,  
Their pattern and their King;

3 Still to the lowly soul  
He doth himself impart,  
And for his dwelling and his throne  
Chooseth the pure in heart.

4 Lord, we thy presence seek;  
May ours this blessing be;  
Give us a pure and lowly heart,  
A temple meet for thee.

John Keble (1792-1866)

## The Second Reading Romans 12.1-8

*Please sit.*

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

For the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

## The Gospel Reading Matthew 16.13-20

*Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation, the cantor sings*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia**

*Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening. You have the words of 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 *Matthew*.

**Glory to you, O Lord**

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' <sup>16</sup>Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

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 or another 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. The president introduces the peace*

We are all one in Christ Jesus.  
We belong to him through faith, heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.

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 LP42

*During this hymn a collection will be taken.*

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

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

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

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.

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 choir sings*

*Or*

*We all sing*

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,  
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.  
Pleni sunt coeli 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, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

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.

*The deacon says*

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

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.

Remember, Lord, your Church in every land.  
Reveal her unity, guard her faith,  
and preserve her in peace.

Bring us at the last with Mary the God-bearer, 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 for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

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.

## The Giving of Communion

*The congregation are invited to receive communion.*

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

## The Agnus Dei

*Please sit. The choir sings*

Agnus Dei,  
qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei,  
qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei,  
qui tollis peccata mundi,  
dona nobis pacem.

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 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 Wesley: *Lead me Lord*

*The choir sings an anthem.*

## Communion Hymn LP 27

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!*  
*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,  
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 . . . .*

Carl Boberg (1859-1940), trans. Stuart K. Hine (1899-1989)

## Prayer After Communion

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

God of all mercy,  
in this eucharist you have set aside our sins  
and given us your healing:  
grant that we who are made whole in Christ  
may bring that healing to this broken world,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## The Blessing

*The priest says*

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

The peace of God,  
which passes all understanding,  
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;  
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 NEH 297

*During this hymn the servers, choir and clergy move to the west and all turn to face the font.*

Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us,  
you are one with us, Mary's son.  
Cleansing our souls from all their sin,  
pouring your love and goodness in,  
Jesus our love for you we sing,  
living Lord.

2 Lord Jesus Christ, now and every day  
teach us how to pray, Son of God.  
You have commanded us to do  
this in remembrance, Lord, of you.  
Into our lives your power breaks  
through,  
living Lord.

## The Dismissal

*The deacon says*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
In the name of Christ.  
Amen.

## Organ Voluntary Boyce: *Voluntary*

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

Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us,  
born as one of us, Mary's son.  
Led out to die on Calvary,  
risen from death to set us free,  
living Lord Jesus help us see  
you are Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ, I would come to you,  
live my life for you, Son of God,  
All your commands I know are true,  
your many gifts will make me new,  
into my life your power breaks  
through,  
living Lord

Patrick Appleford (1925-2018)