

A welcoming, inclusive, Christian community

# THE EUCHARIST

15<sup>th</sup> September 2024
The Sixteenth 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.



contact-less card reader which stands beside the door.



You will find a full order of service, for digital use, on our website using this QR code:

The English text for the Gloria, Sanctus & Benedictus and Agnus Dei are from *The Westmoreland Mass* by Ian Pattinson.

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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 NEP613/LP13

- 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 Saward (1932-2015)

## 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

Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis. Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, goodwill towards men.

Laudamus te, Benedicimus te, Adoramus te, Glorificamus te. Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam, Domine Deus, Rex coelestis Deus Pater omnipotens.

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.

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,
have mercy upon us.

Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

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

Lord of creation, whose glory is around and within us: open our eyes to your wonders, that we may serve you with reverence and know your peace at our lives' end, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### Amen.

## The First Reading Proverbs 1:20-33 Please sit.

A reading from the book of Proverbs.

Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice.

At the busiest corner she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks: 'How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers

delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge?

Give heed to my reproof; I will pour out my thoughts to you;

I will make my words known to you. Because I have called and you refused, have stretched out my hand and no one heeded, and because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof,

I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when panic strikes you, when panic strikes you like a storm, and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you.

Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently, but will not find me. Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the Lord, would have none of my counsel, and despised all my reproof, therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and be sated with their own devices. For waywardness kills the simple, and the complacency of fools destroys them; but those who listen to me will be secure and will live at ease, without dread of disaster.'

For the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

# Gradual Hymn LP42 We stand to sing.

- 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 Second Reading James 3:1-12 Please sit.

A reading from the letter of James.

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness.

For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle.

If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs.

So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell.

For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue-a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so.

Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

For the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

# The Gospel Reading Mark 8:27-end.

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation, the cantor sings

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord. I know them, and they follow me.

#### 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

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?'

And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.'

He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.

For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.

For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life?

Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

#### The Sermon Please sit.

## The Affirmation of Faith Please stand.

Let us declare our faith in God

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on 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 God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

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

Blessed are the peacemakers: they shall be called children of God. We meet in the name of Christ and share his 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 NEH439 During this hymn a collection will be taken.

Praise to the Holiest in the height, and in the depth be praise: in all his words most wonderful, most sure in all his ways.

- 2. O loving wisdom of our God! when all was sin and shame, a second Adam to the fight and to the rescue came.
- 3. O wisest love! that flesh and blood, which did in Adam fail, should strive afresh against the foe, should strive and should prevail;
- 4. And that a higher gift than grace should flesh and blood refine, God's presence and his very self, and essence all-divine.
- 6. And in the garden secretly, and on the cross on high, should teach his brethren, and inspire to suffer and to die.
- 7. Praise to the Holiest in the height, and in the depth be praise: in all his words most wonderful, most sure in all his ways.

John Henry Newman (1801-1890)

# 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

Sanctus, Sanctus, Holy, Holy, Holy,

Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Lord God of power and might.

Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in excelsis. Hosanna in the highest.

Benedictus qui venit In Nomine Domini. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in excelsis. 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.

Bring us at the last with 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 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 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. We sing

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 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 I was glad (Parry)

# Communion Hymn LP11

- 1. Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.
  Come, bow before him now, with reverence and fear.
  In him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground.
  Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.
- 2. Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around; he burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned. How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of light! Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.

3. Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place, he comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace.

No work too hard for him, in faith receive from him; be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

David J Evans (b. 1957-)

# Prayer After Communion Please stand.

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

Father of light, in whom is no change or shadow of turning, you give us every good and perfect gift and have brought us to birth by your word of truth: may we be a living sign of that kingdom where your whole creation will be made perfect in 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 NEP647/CH533

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

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and never be the same? Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

- 2. Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name? Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen. and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?
- 3. Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name? Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same? Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?
- 4. Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll move and live and grow John Bell (b.1919) in you and you in me.

Graham Maule (b. 1958)

# The Dismissal The deacon says

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

Organ Voluntary Carillon (Murrill)

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