

ST LAURENCE LUDLOW



23 JUNE 2024

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

BENEFICE EUCHARIST 10am

Revd Preb Kelvin Price President Revd Wayne Davies BEM Preacher

Michael Oakley Director of Music Dr Andrew Padmore BEM Organist The Choir of St Laurence's

Welcome

We warmly welcome you to St Laurence's, especially if you are a visitor or newcomer to our congregation. Please be aware that this service will be livestreamed and the recording will be available on YouTube afterwards.

During communion all are welcome to come forward to receive if you have been baptised in any Christian church, all others are invited to come forward for a blessing. Please note communion will be offered in both kinds. Intinction by individuals is not permitted, following the hygiene guidance issued by the Church of England.

St Laurence's is an inclusive church, and everyone is welcome. If you need any assistance accessing our services, please ask one of the stewards.

Children are always welcome in St Laurence's and there is a children's area in the North aisle with toys, games and art materials available for use at any time.

A toilet, including facilities for people with disabilities, is in the North aisle of the Church.

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Picture on front cover: The Storm of the Sea of Galilee by Rembrandt 1606 – 1669 Stolen from Isabelle Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston, USA Current location unknown

THE GATHERING

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm hath bound the restless wave, who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep: O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

2. O Christ, whose voice the waters heard and hushed their raging at thy word, who walkedst on the foaming deep, and calm amid its rage didst sleep:O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

3. O Holy Spirit, who didst brood upon the waters dark and rude, who bid their angry tumult cease, and give, for wild confusion, peace:O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

4. O Trinity of love and power, our brethren shield in danger's hour; from rock and tempest, fire and foe, protect them wheresoe'er they go: thus evermore shall rise to thee glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

William Whiting 1825-1878

MELITA

THE GREETING

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

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Please sit

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Jesus said: Before you offer your gift, go and be reconciled. As brothers and sisters in God's family, we come together to ask our Father for forgiveness.

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

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 life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

If you are able, please stand

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



The Addington Service

Richard Shephard 1949-2021

COLLECT

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please sit

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING Job 38.1-11

A reading from the book of the prophet Job

Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:

'Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man,

I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding.
Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it?
On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone
when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy? 'Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb? when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band, and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, and said, "Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped"?

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 107.23-32 Confitemini Domino

The Choir sings

23. They that go down to the sea in ships: and occupy their business in great waters;

24. These men see the works of the Lord: and his wonders in the deep.

25. For at his word the stormy wind ariseth: which lifteth up the waves thereof.

26. They are carried up to the heaven, and down again to the deep: their soul melteth away because of the trouble.

27. They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man: and are at their wits' end.

28. So when they cry unto the Lord in their trouble: he delivereth them out of their distress.

29. For he maketh the storm to cease: so that the waves thereof are still.

30. Then are they glad, because they are at rest: and so he bringeth them unto the haven where they would be.

31. O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness: and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

32. That they would exalt him also in the congregation of the people: and praise him in the seat of the elders!

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians

As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says,

'At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.'

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labours, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honour and dishonour, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see - we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return - I speak as to children - open wide your hearts also.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

If you are able, please stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Ist time Choir 2nd time Choir & Congregation



We do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Repeat Alleluia

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark



When evening had come, Jesus said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, 'Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?' He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?' And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Please sit

SERMON

Silence is kept

If you are able, please stand

THE CREED

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.

Please sit

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The response after each bidding

Lord in your mercy or **Hear our prayer**

Lord hear us Lord graciously hear us

And at the end

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

If you are able, please stand

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**.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

OFFERTORY HYMN

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us o'er the world's tempestuous sea; guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us, for we have no help but thee; yet possessing every blessing, if our God our Father be.

2. Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us: all our weakness thou dost know; thou didst tread this earth before us, thou didst feel its keenest woe; lone and dreary, faint and weary, through the desert thou didst go. 3. Spirit of our God, descending, fill our hearts with heavenly joy, love with every passion blending, pleasure that can never cloy: thus provided, pardoned, guided, nothing can our peace destroy.

James Edmeston 1791-1867

MANNHEIM

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

As the grain once scattered in the fields and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside are now reunited on this table in bread and wind, so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together from the corners of the earth into your kingdom. **Amen.**

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER D

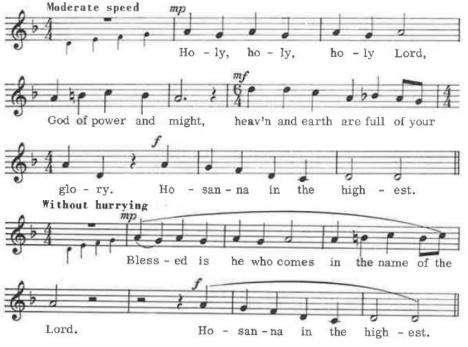
The Lord be with you and also with you.

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.

Almighty God, good Father to us all, your face is turned towards your world. In love you gave us Jesus your Son to rescue us from sin and death. Your Word goes out to call us home to the city where angels sing your praise. We join with them in heaven's song:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS



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Father of all, we give you thanks for every gift that comes from heaven. To the darkness Jesus came as your light. With signs of faith and words of hope he touched untouchables with love and washed the guilty clean.

This is his story. This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

The crowds came out to see your Son, yet at the end they turned on him. On the night he was betrayed he came to table with his friends to celebrate the freedom of your people.

This is his story. This is our song: Hosanna in the highest. Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food; he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: This is my body, given for you all. Jesus then gave thanks for the wine; he took the cup, gave it and said: This is my blood, shed for you all for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me.

This is our story. This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate the cross on which he died to set us free. Defying death he rose again and is alive with you to plead for us and all the world.

This is our story. This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

Send your Spirit on us now that by these gifts we may feed on Christ with opened eyes and hearts on fire. May we and all who share this food offer ourselves to live for you and be welcomed at your feast in heaven where all creation worships you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

Please sit

Silence is kept

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Being made one by the power of the Spirit, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has 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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes



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GIVING OF COMMUNION

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 people receive communion.

Communicant members of any Christian Church are welcome to receive communion here. All others are invited to come for a blessing, at the front, holding this service sheet.

The Choir sings

ANTHEM

They that go down to the sea in ships: and occupy their business in great waters;

These men see the works of the Lord: and his wonders in the deep. For at his word the stormy wind ariseth: which lifteth up the waves thereof.

They are carried up to the heaven, and down again to the deep: their soul melteth away because of the trouble.

They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man: and are at their wits' end.

So when they cry unto the Lord in their trouble: he delivereth them out of their distress.

For he maketh the storm to cease: so that the waves thereof are still.

Then are they glad, because they are at rest: and so he bringeth them unto the haven where they would be.

They that go down to the sea in ships Herbert Sumsion 1899-1995

Silence is kept

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen

THE DISMISSAL

If you are able, please stand when directed

THE BLESSING

The God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus, establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith; and the blessing \bigotimes of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

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

RECESSIONAL HYMN

O sing a song of Bethlehem, of shepherds watching there, and of the news that came to them from angels in the air: the light that shone on Bethlehem fills all the world today; of Jesus' birth and peace on earth the angels sing alway. 2. O sing a song of Nazareth, of sunny days of joy,
O sing of fragrant flowers' breath, and of the sinless Boy: for now the flowers of Nazareth in every heart may grow; now spreads the fame of his dear name on all the winds that blow.

3. O sing a song of Galilee, of lake and woods and hill, of him who walked upon the sea and bade the waves be still: for though, like waves on Galilee, dark seas of trouble roll, when faith has heard the Master's word falls peace upon the soul.

4. O sing a song of Calvary,
its glory and dismay;
of him who hung upon the tree
and took our sins away:
for he who died on Calvary
is risen from the grave,
and Christ our Lord, by heaven adored,
is mighty now to save.

Louis F Benson 1855-1930

Kingsfold

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Tuba Tune

Norman Cocker 1889-1953

Please join us for coffee after the service

Today

6pm Celtic Prayer

Next Sunday's Services

- 8.15am Holy Communion (BCP)
- I0am Benefice Eucharist (At St John's Church)



An inclusive church welcoming everyone



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