



PERSHORE BENEFICE
The Abbey Church of the Holy Cross with
St Nicholas' Pinvin, St James' Birlingham & St Mary's Wick
Sunday, 21 August 2022
TRINITY 10

SERVICE SHEET, BULLETIN & DIARY

The 1030 Service will be live-streamed and available to view on our YouTube channel.

You can join in live at 1030 or catch up later in the day or week.

Please use this sheet in conjunction with the service booklet provided.

You will find a Hymn Sheet for this service on **page 3**

Remember to take this service sheet and bulletin home with you when you leave.

THE COLLECT

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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**

FIRST READING

Isaiah 58.9b-14

You shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honourable; if you honour it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 12.18-29

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the

hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.' Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, 'I tremble with fear.') But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, 'Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.' This phrase, 'Yet once more,' indicates the removal of what is shaken – that is, created things – so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire .

For the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 13.10-17

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, 'Woman, you are set free from your ailment.' When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, 'There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.' But the Lord answered him and said, 'You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?' When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord . **Amen**

HYMN SHEET

FIRST HYMN

A&M 57

(Narenza)

1. Ye servants of the Lord,
each in his office wait,
observant of his heavenly word,
and watchful at his gate.
2. Let all your lamps be bright,
and trim the golden flame;
gird up your loins as in his sight,
for awful is his name.
3. Watch! 'tis your Lord's command,
and while we speak, he's near;
mark the first signal of his hand,
and ready all appear.
4. O happy servant he
in such a posture found!
he shall his Lord with rapture see,
and be with honour crowned.
5. Christ shall the banquet spread
with his own royal hand,
and raise that faithful servant's head
amid the angelic band.

[Phillip Doddridge (1702-1751)
Music: J. Leisentritt's *Catholicum Hymnologium Germanicum*, 1584
adapted by William Henry Havergal (1793-1870)]

GRADUAL HYMN

A&M 51

(St Stephen (Newington))

1. The Lord will come and not be slow,
his footsteps cannot err;
before him righteousness shall go,
his royal harbinger.
2. Truth from the earth, like to a flower,
shall bud and blossom then;
and justice, from her heavenly bower,
look down on mortal men.
3. Rise, God, judge thou the earth in might,
this wicked earth redress;
for thou art he who shalt by right
the nations all possess.
4. The nations all whom thou hast made
shall come, and all shall frame
to bow them low before thee, Lord,
and glorify thy name.
5. For great thou art, and wonders great
by thy strong hand are done:
thou in thy everlasting seat
remainest God alone.

[John Milton, *the elder* (c.1563-1647)]

THIRD HYMN

A&M 683

(Ewing)

There will be no offertory plate collection at this time, however, there is collection bowl available on the Welcome Table for those wishing to contribute.

Alternatively, donations can be made at our contactless donation station located by the bookstall or online via our website at www.pershoreabbey.org.uk

1. Jerusalem the golden,
with milk and honey blest,
beneath thy contemplation
sink heart and voice opprest.
I know not, O I know not
what joys await us there,
what radiancy of glory,
what bliss beyond compare.
2. They stand, those halls of Sion,
conjubilant with song,
and bright with many an angel,
and all the martyr throng;
the Prince is ever with them,
the daylight is serene,
the pastures of the blessed
are decked in glorious sheen.
3. There is the throne of David;
and there, from care released,
the shout of them that triumph,
the song of them that feast;
and they, who with their leader
have conquered in the fight,
for ever and for ever
are clad in robes of white.
4. O sweet and blessed country,
the home of God's elect!
O sweet and blessed country
that eager hearts expect!
Jesu, in mercy bring us
to that dear land of rest;
who art, with God the Father
and Spirit, ever blest.

[*Urbs Sion aurea*

Bernard Cluny (12th century) *translated by* John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

Music: Alexander Ewing (1830-1895)]

COMMUNION HYMN

A&M 732

My Jesus, my Saviour,
Lord there is none like You;
All of my days
I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love.

My comfort, my shelter,
Tower of refuge and strength,
Let every breath,
All that I am,
Never cease to worship You.

Cont'd

Chorus:

Shout to the Lord all the earth, let us sing
Power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name.

I sing for joy at the work of Your hands,
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand;
Nothing compares to the
Promise I have in You.

[Darlene Zschech (b.1965)]

FINAL HYMN

A&M 715

(Lord of the Years)

1. Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided,
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.
2. Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us,
Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.
3. Lord, for our land, in this our generation,
spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care;
for young and old, for commonwealth and nation,
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.
4. Lord, for our world; when we disown and doubt him,
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain;
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him,
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.
5. Lord, for ourselves; in living power remake us,
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne;
past put behind us, for the future take us,
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

[Timothy Dudley-Smith (b.1926)]

PERSHORE BENEFICE BULLETIN & DIARY

21 AUGUST 2022

As a Kingdom People we are churches that seek to:

- Worship God
- Welcome All
- Reach out to the world

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BENEFICE OFFICE OPENING HOURS

TUESDAY - THURSDAY 1100 - 1200 ONLY

(excluding Bank Holidays)

The office staff will also be available to answer enquiries by phone or email on weekday mornings from **0930 –1300**

Please email your enquiry to office@pershoreabbey.org.uk or leave a message on 01386 552071 and they will get back to you as soon as they can.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

WE PRAY TOGETHER FOR THE FOLLOWING:

We pray for those whose weddings, blessings and baptisms are taking place and for all those who are making new plans to celebrate these special life events.

We pray for all those welcoming new life into their families.

We pray for those in need.

We pray for those who have died and for their families and friends.

We pray for those whose anniversary of death occurs in the coming week.

A PEACEFUL PASSING: It was with great sadness that we heard Julie Spence passed away peacefully on Monday 1 August after a short, but devastating, illness. Julie was a much loved and highly valued member of the Pershore Abbey community and congregation, and we will all feel her loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with Martyn and all of Julie's family and friends at this sad time. *Everyone is welcome to attend Julie's service at the Abbey on Tuesday 23rd August at 12 noon - Funeral with Holy Communion.*

IMPORTANT - COMMUNION UPDATE

We are now able to offer Communion in two kinds at all our Eucharist services across the Benefice. It is still perfectly proper to take communion in one kind only but we do also offer the chalice. However, intinction (the dipping of the bread into the wine) will not be permitted. Also, it would help those administering the chalice if you could hold the base of the chalice when taking the wine. Thank you.

This service is being live streamed to the Abbey's YouTube Channel

To find the recording please visit www.youtube.com and search for

Pershore Abbey Community [Pershore Abbey Community on YouTube](#)

If you have any queries or concerns please do speak to a sidesperson or churchwarden

BULLETIN NOTICES

SPECIAL TEDDY PRAISE SERVICE SUNDAY 28 AUGUST 1415: This lovely service of thanks and friendship will take place at The Abbey Park Bandstand on **Sunday 28 August at 1415**. We are inviting you and your teddy bears, to join us for this special service to bless your teddy bears for all the activities that they will be enjoying during the Plum Festival bank holiday events.



ABBAY LETTER RACK: This will be in use again from this Sunday on the welcome table. Please do check for any non-electronic post! Please note that it will only be available on Sundays and will be cleared of uncollected post at the end of each month.

BABIES and TODDLERS – HELP REQUESTED!: We are seeking volunteers to serve refreshments or to assist with setting up and clearing away the equipment for our sessions held on Friday mornings, 9.30 – 11.30am, during term times. The helpers join a rota to help at one session per month. If you would like to join our team, for more details please contact **Sara Speed** on **01386 710776** (or email thespeeds94@gmail.com)

SEPTEMBER BULLETIN: If you have an article or notice you would like us to include in the next monthly bulletin, please send us any images and copy, by the **22 August**, to office@pershoreabbey.org.uk

PLUM FAYRE MONDAY 29 AUGUST

HELPERS NEEDED PLEASE: We are looking for helpers for sessions between **10:00** and **16:00** on **Monday 29 August**. We would also be grateful for any cakes, or, if you don't want to make a cake, a donation would be appreciated. Sign up sheets will be made available at the back of the Abbey or contact **Sara Speed** on **01386 710776**. Thank you.

ABBAY TOWER TOUR GUIDES AND TOUR ASSISTANTS URGENTLY NEEDED: Volunteers are required for both our Tour Guides and Tour Assistants. Please contact the Benefice Office on **01386 552071** or email office@pershoreabbey.org.uk

EARLY RISERS NEEDED TO MARSHAL CLASSIC CARS: Helpers are required to marshal the Classic Car event, which returns this year on **Monday 29 August**. We need people on site from **0800** till **1200** to help with the smooth running of the day. If you can help please contact **Suzanne Clarke** on **01386 553293**.

ABBAY & BENEFICE DIARY

Canon Claire's usual day off is Friday. Claire will not be available for commitments on this day. If you have an enquiry, she will get back to you as soon as she can.

Sunday 21 August—Trinity 10

08:00 Eucharist (*Pershore Abbey*)

10:30 Eucharist with Traidcraft (*Pershore Abbey with LIVESTREAM*)

10:30 Holy Communion (*St James', Birlingham*)

10:30 Sunday Praise (*St Nicholas', Pinvin*)

12:00 Golden Wedding Anniversary Party (*St Andrew's Main Hall & Upper Room*)

12:30 Service of Holy Baptism Charlotte Smith and Tommylee Wilks
(*Pershore Abbey*)

14:00 Internment of Ashes for the Late Mr Butler (*St Nicholas', Pinvin*)

14:30 Service of Holy Baptism Oakleigh Sleigh (*Pershore Abbey*)

PERSHORE ABBEY DAILY OFFICES MONDAY TO SATURDAY:

0800 Silent Prayer

0830 Matins

1700 Evening Prayer

Monday 22 August

LIGHTING WORKS ALL DAY - PERSHORE ABBEY

13:15 Art & Craft for Wellbeing

(*St Andrew's Main Hall*)

13:30 Me, You n' a Brew (*St Andrew's Upper*)

17:30 Heating System Meeting (*Pershore Abbey*)

18:30 Bell ringing practice (*Pershore Abbey*)

18:30 Pershore Community Choir

(*St Andrew's Main Hall*)

Tuesday 23 August

LIGHTING WORKS ALL DAY - PERSHORE ABBEY

11:00 CTIP Foodbank (*St Andrew's Main Hall*)

12:00 Funeral Service with Holy Communion for
the late Julie Spence (*Pershore Abbey*)

13:15 Celebration of Life for the Late Julie Spence
(*St Andrew's Main Hall*)

19:15 Private Meeting (*St Andrew's Upper*)

Wednesday 24 August

LIGHTING WORKS ALL DAY - PERSHORE ABBEY

13:15 Bring your own Craft & Chat

(*St Andrew's Main Hall*)

15:00 Burial of Ashes for the Late Julie Spence

(*Pershore Abbey*)

15:45 V&W (*Choir Vestry*)

19:00 Pershore Town Choir (*Pershore Abbey*)

19:00 Vale Harmony (*St Andrew's Main Hall*)

Thursday 25 August

LIGHTING WORKS ALL DAY - PERSHORE ABBEY

11:00 Organ Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)

18:00 Tower Tour Guide training (*Pershore Abbey*)

Friday 26 August

LIGHTING WORKS ALL DAY - PERSHORE ABBEY

13:00 CTIP Foodbank (*St Andrew's Main Hall*)

19:30 Pershore Chatty Crafters

(*St Andrew's Main Hall*)

Saturday 27 August

10:00 Private Party (*St Andrew's Main Hall*)

10:00 Bells Quarter Peal for the Plum Festival
(*Pershore Abbey*)

Sunday 28 August

08:00 Eucharist (*Pershore Abbey*)

09:30 Festival Teas set up for Bank Holiday

Monday (*St Andrew's Main Hall*)

10:30 Morning Praise

(*Pershore Abbey with LIVESTREAM*)

10:30 Parish Communion (*St Mary's, Wick*)

14:15 Teddy Praise (*Abbey Park Bandstand*)

