



PERSHORE BENEFICE
The Abbey Church of the Holy Cross with
St Nicholas' Pinvin, St James' Birlingham & St Mary's Wick
Sunday, 04 September 2022
TRINITY 12

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 4**

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

THE COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of 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

Deuteronomy 30.15-20

See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Philemon 1-21

A reading from the Letter to Philemon

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love – and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother – especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

For the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 14.25-33

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

Large crowds were travelling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, ‘Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, “This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.” Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends

a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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**

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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

As a Kingdom People we are churches that seek to:

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

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(excluding Bank Holidays)

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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.



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HYMN SHEET

FIRST HYMN

A&M 766

(Praise My Soul)

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven,
to his feet thy tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who like me his praise should sing?
Alleluia, alleluia,
praise the everlasting King.
2. Praise him for his grace and favour
to our fathers in distress;
praise him still the same for ever,
slow to chide and swift to bless:
Alleluia, alleluia,
glorious in his faithfulness.
3. Father-like, he tends and spares us,
well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes:
Alleluia, alleluia,
widely as his mercy flows.
4. Frail as summer's flower we flourish;
blows the wind and it is gone;
but, while mortals rise and perish,
God endures unchanging on:
Alleluia, alleluia,
praise the high eternal One.
5. Angels, help us to adore him;
ye behold him face to face;
sun and moon bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space:
Alleluia, alleluia,
praise with us the God of grace.

[Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847)]

GRADUAL HYMN

A&M 698i

(Gwalchmai)

1. King of glory, King of peace,
I will love thee;
and, that love may never cease,
I will move thee.
Thou hast granted my request,
thou hast heard me;
thou didst note my working breast,
thou hast spared me.
2. Wherefore with my utmost art
I will sing thee,
and the cream of all my heart
I will bring thee.
Though my sins against me cried,
thou didst clear me,
and alone, when they replied,
thou didst hear me.
3. Seven whole days, not one in seven,
I will praise thee;
in my heart, though not in heaven,
I can raise thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort
to enrol thee:
e'en eternity's too short
to extol thee.

THIRD HYMN

A&M 632

(Richmond)

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. Fill thou my life, O Lord my God,
in every part with praise,
that my whole being may proclaim
thy being and thy ways.
2. Not for the lip of praise alone,
nor e'en the praising heart
I ask, but for a life made up
of praise in every part:
3. Praise in the common things of life,
its goings out and in;
praise in each duty and each deed,
however small and mean.
4. Fill every part of me with praise:
let all my being speak
of thee and of thy love, O Lord,
poor though I be and weak.
5. So shalt thou, Lord, receive from me
the praise and glory due;
and so shall I begin on earth
the song for ever new.
6. So shall each fear, each fret, each care,
be turnèd into song;
and every winding of the way
the echo shall prolong.
7. So shall no part of day or night
unblest or common be,
but all my life, in every step,
be fellowship with thee.

[Horatius N. Bonar (1808-1889)]

COMMUNION MOTET

Cantate Domino - Pitoni

Sung by the Pershore Abbey Choir

COMMUNION HYMN

A&M 437i

(Glenfinlas)

1. 'Come to me', says Jesus,
'all who are distressed;
take my yoke upon you,
I will give you rest.
2. I am meek and humble,
find, with me, release
from false airs and graces;
come, and be at peace.'
3. Hear the call of Jesus,
come, be deeply blessed;
his the invitation,
you the honoured guest.

4. Here, where bread is broken,
here, where wine is poured,
thankfully receive him,
find your faith restored.

5. Pardon, feed and heal us,
humble, courteous Lord,
gracious host, for ever
honoured and adored.

[Alan Gaunt (b. 1935)]

FINAL HYMN

A&M 769

(Gopsal)

Rejoice! The Lord is King,
your Lord and King adore;
mortals, give thanks and sing,
and triumph evermore:

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*

Jesus the Saviour reigns,
the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains,
he took his seat above:

His kingdom cannot fail;
he rules o'er earth and heaven;
the keys of death and hell
are to our Jesus given:

He sits at God's right hand
till all his foes submit,
and bow to his command,
and fall beneath his feet:

Rejoice in glorious hope;
Jesus the judge shall come,
and take his servants up
to their eternal home:

*We soon shall hear the archangel's voice;
the trump of God shall sound: rejoice!*

[Charles Wesley (1707-1788)]

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04 SEPTEMBER 2022

The beautiful sunflowers in Pershore Abbey this week have been donated by Christopher, Helen and Richard in loving memory of Maureen Meredith

PLEASE PRAY FOR

WE PRAY TOGETHER FOR THE FOLLOWING AND FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY WAR IN THE UKRAINE:

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.

BULLETIN NOTICES

(PLEASE SEE SEPTEMBER MONTHLY EDITION FOR MORE NEWS AND INFORMATION)

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.

ABBAY LETTER RACK: Please do check for any non-electronic post! The rack is only available on Sundays and will be cleared of uncollected post at the end of each month.

PERSHORE ABBEY HARVEST SUPPER: Saturday 1 October at 1800 in St Andrew's Centre. Tickets for the Harvest Supper will be on sale in the Abbey after the 1030 Sunday Service or you can contact Julie Newman . Ticket prices are £8 adults and £4 children. Requests please for Apple Crumbles - sign up sheet on Abbey table. If you are able to donate a Raffle Prize, they can be brought to the Abbey or dropped off at the office during the office opening hours. *Pershore Abbey and St Andrew's (PASA) Team*

A THANK YOU FROM PASA: An "enormous" thank you to all who helped make the Plum Festival day so good in St. Andrew's serving cakes and drinks to our many visitors. Thank you to the wonderful cake makers of the Abbey, your cakes were so delicious and greatly appreciated and of course we could not do it without you! Many visitors said how they had looked forward to coming to enjoy the lovely selection of cakes. Thank you to all those who helped in St. Andrew's not only on the day but setting up on Sunday & then clearing away afterwards. You were a super team and it was a very cheerful kitchen and a lovely atmosphere in St. Andrew's. One visitor said "that we were the "Jewel of Pershore", a calm oasis of friendliness & delicious cakes in lovely surroundings". *PASA Team.*

AND FINALLY . . . A note from Catherine and Duncan Cadbury thanking all in the Abbey Community for the kind wishes and lovely flowers they received on the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

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 4 September -Trinity 12

- 08:00 BCP Eucharist (*Pershore Abbey*)
- 10:30 Sung Eucharist with Traidcraft (*Pershore Abbey with LIVESTREAM*)
- 10:30 Holy Communion (*St Nicholas', Pinvin*)
- 10:30 Morning Praise (*St James', Birlingham*)
- 14:00 Private Meeting (*St Andrew's Main Hall*)
- 16:00 Evensong Choir Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)
- 17:00 Evensong (*Pershore Abbey*)

PERSHORE ABBEY DAILY OFFICES MONDAY TO SATURDAY:

0800 Silent Prayer

0830 Matins

1700 Evening Prayer

Monday 5 September

- 13:30 Me, You and a Brew (*St Andrew's Upper*)
- 14:30 PASA Meeting (*St Andrew's Main Hall*)
- 15:30 Private Meeting (*Choir Vestry*)
- 18:30 Bell ringing practice (*Pershore Abbey*)
- 19:00 Pershore Community Choir
(*St Andrew's Main Hall*)

Tuesday 6 September

- 10:00 Pershore Abbey Inaugural Organ Festival Meeting (*Zoom*)
- 11:00 CTIP Foodbank (*St Andrew's Main Hall*)
- 15:30 Healthier Churches Meeting
(*St Andrew's Upper*)
- 19:00 Pinvin PCC (*St Nicholas', Pinvin*)
- 19:15 Private Meeting (*St Andrew's Upper*)

Wednesday 7 September

- 11:30 Lunch Club (*St Andrew's Main Hall*)
- 14:00 Abbey Finance Meeting (*St Andrew's Upper*)
- 15:00 U3A Singers (*St Andrew's Main Hall*)
- 15:45 V&W (*Choir Vestry*)
- 19:00 Pershore Town Choir (*Pershore Abbey*)
- 19:00 Vale Harmony (*St Andrew's Main Hall*)

Thursday 8 September

- 14:00 Funeral Service of the late Gerald Carter
(*Pershore Abbey*)
- 18:00 Choir Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)

Friday 9 September

- 13:00 CTIP Foodbank (*St Andrew's Main Hall*)
- 19:30 Pershore Chatty Crafters
(*St Andrew's Main Hall*)

Saturday 10 September

- Ride & Stride for Churches
Both Pershore Abbey & St Nicholas' Pinvin open

Sunday 11 September - Holy Cross Day

- 08:00 Eucharist
- 09:45 Café Church (*St Andrew's*)
- 10:30 Patronal Sung Eucharist with LiveStream
followed by Friends of Pershore Abbey AGM
- 10:30 Morning Praise (*St Mary's, Wick*)
- 12:00 FOPA CIO AGM (*Pershore Abbey*)
- 14:30 Service of Holy Baptism for Ellis Nyalani
(*St Nicholas', Pinvin*)
- 17:00 Wholeness & Healing (*Pershore Abbey*)

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