



**PERSHORE ABBEY**  
**The Abbey Church of the Holy Cross with**  
**St Nicholas' Pinvin, St James' Birlingham & St Mary's Wick**  
**Sunday, 9 October, 2022**  
**Trinity 17 / Mission Sunday**

## **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**.

Please leave the service booklet, but do remember to take this sheet and bulletin home with you when you leave and recycle when you have finished with it.

### **THE COLLECT**

Almighty God, who called your Church to witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on a cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **FIRST READING**

**2 Kings 5.1-3,7-15c**

A reading from the Second Book of Kings

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favour with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, 'If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy.'

When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, 'Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me.'

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, 'Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel.' So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, 'Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean.' But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, 'I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?' He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, 'Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you

not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, “Wash, and be clean”?’ So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; Naaman came and stood before him and said, ‘Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel.’

For the word of the Lord.       **Thanks be to God.**

## **SECOND READING**

### **2 Timothy 2.8-15**

A reading from the Second Letter to the Timothy

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David – that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful – for he cannot deny himself.

Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth .

For the word of the Lord.       **Thanks be to God.**

## **THE GOSPEL**

### **Luke 17.11-19**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, ‘Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!’ When he saw them, he said to them, ‘Go and show yourselves to the priests.’ And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, ‘Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?’ Then he said to the Samaritan, ‘Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.’

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

## **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## HYMN SHEET

### FIRST HYMN

**A&M 754**

***(Hannover)***

1. O worship the King, all glorious above;  
O gratefully sing his power and his love;  
our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,  
pavilioned in splendour and girded with praise.
2. O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,  
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;  
his chariots of wrath the deep thunder clouds form,  
and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
3. The earth with its store of wonders untold,  
Almighty, thy power hath founded of old;  
hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree,  
and round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.
4. Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;  
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
and sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.
5. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;  
thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,  
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.
6. O measureless might, ineffable love,  
while angels delight to hymn thee above,  
thy humbler creation, though feeble their lays,  
with true adoration shall sing to thy praise.

Robert Grant (1779-1838)

### GRADUAL HYMN

**A&M 490**

***(Highwood)***

1. Glory to God, the source of all our mission;  
Jesus be praised, the Saviour, Lord and Son!  
Praise to the Spirit who confirms the vision;  
in all the world the will of God be done!
2. Proud in our wealth, or destitute and broken,  
we cannot live by earthly bread alone;  
but by the word that God himself has spoken  
we are set free to make our Master known.

3. Eastward or westward, northward, southward moving,  
finding new fields, new patterns and new role,  
Christ's fellow-workers, all his goodness proving,  
see how our God is making people whole!
4. Linked by the cross at which we are forgiven,  
joined by the love that came to find and save,  
one in the hope of God's new earth and heaven,  
we love and give since he first loved and gave.
5. Send us, Lord Christ, to serve at your direction,  
dying and living, yours in loss and gain,  
true to the gospel of your resurrection,  
working and praying till you come to reign.

Christopher Idle (b.1938)

### **THIRD HYMN**

**A&M 454**

**(Creswell)**

*There will be no offertory plate collection at this time, however, there is a 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](http://www.pershoreabbey.org.uk)*

1. Love is his word, Love is his way,  
feasting with all, fasting alone,  
living and dying, rising again;  
love only love is his way.

*Richer than gold is the love of my Lord.  
Better than splendour and wealth.*

2. Love is his way, love is his mark,  
sharing his last Passover feast.  
Christ at the table, host to the twelve;  
Love, only love, is his mark.

3. Love is his mark, love is his sign,  
bread for our strength, wine for our joy,  
'This is my body, this is my blood.'  
Love, only love is his sign.

4. Love is his sign, love is his news,  
'Do this', he said, 'lest you forget  
All my deep sorrow, all my dear blood.'  
Love, only love, is his news.

5. Love is his news, love is his name,  
we are his own, chosen and called,  
sisters and brothers, parents and kin.  
Love, only love is his name.

6. Love is his name, love is his law,  
hear his command, all who are his:  
'Love one another; I have loved you.'  
Love, only love, is his law.

7. Love is his law, love is his word,  
love of the Lord, Father, and Word,  
love of the Spirit, God ever one,  
love, only love, is his word.

Luke Connaught (1917-1979)

## **COMMUNION MOTET**

Rutter - Ubi Caritas, Ballard  
*Sung by the Pershore Abbey Choir*

### **COMMUNION HYMN**

**A&M 9**

***(Laudes Domini)***

1. When morning gilds the skies,  
my heart awaking cries,  
may Jesus Christ be praised:  
alike at work and prayer  
to Jesus I repair;  
may Jesus Christ be praised.

2. Does sadness fill my mind?  
A solace here I find,  
may Jesus Christ be praised:  
or fades my earthly bliss?  
My comfort still is this,  
may Jesus Christ be praised.

3. The night becomes as day,  
when from the heart we say,  
may Jesus Christ be praised:  
the powers of darkness fear,  
when this sweet chant they hear,  
may Jesus Christ be praised.

4. Be this, while life is mine,  
my canticle divine,  
may Jesus Christ be praised:  
be this the eternal song  
through ages all along,  
may Jesus Christ be praised!

Edward Caswall (1814-1878)

### **FINAL HYMN**

**A&M 493**

***(Song 22)***

1. Hope of our calling: hope through courage won  
by those who dared to share all Christ had done.  
Saints of today, Christ's banner now unfurled,  
will bring his gospel to a waiting world.
2. Hope of our calling: hope with strength empowered,  
inspired by all that we have seen and heard;  
this call is ours, for we are chosen too,  
to live for God in all we say and do.
3. Hope of our calling: hope with grace outpoured,  
from death's despair the gift of life restored;  
our call to serve, to wash each others' feet,  
to bring Christ's healing touch to all we meet.
4. Hope of our calling: hope by faith made bold  
to sow God's righteousness throughout the world;  
bring peace from conflict, fruitfulness from weeds,  
the kingdom's harvest from the kingdom's seed.
5. Hope of our calling: Spirit-filled, unbound,  
old joys remembered and new purpose found,  
our call refreshed by sacrament and word,  
we go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**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

## **PERSHORE BENEFICE BULLETIN & DIARY**

### **09 OCTOBER 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](mailto: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 FOR ALL OF THOSE AFFECTED BY THE 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.

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

## **BULLETIN NOTICES**

(Please see October Bulletin for more information)

**COMMUNION REMINDER:** 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.

**MISSION SUNDAY AT PERSHORE ABBEY:** This Sunday, 9 October, come and hear about the charities and causes that we are supporting with our annual mission giving. *Claire*

**HARVEST FESTIVALS CONTINUE:** **St Mary's, Wick** celebrate their Harvest Festival at 1030, 9 October, with **St Nicholas', Pinvin** gathering at 1030, 16 October. Please join them and consider bringing non-perishable items for the Pershore Foodbank.

**PERSHORE BENEFICE AUTUMN STUDY GROUP:** Every **Thursday** evening at **St Andrew's** until **20 October 2022** starting at **1900** until **2030**, following aspects of a Tearfund Learn course called "Live Just.ly". No booking required, drop in to just one session or join us for them all!

**EVENTS COORDINATOR POSITION AVAILABLE:** As Roger Batty departs for pastures new (please see Monthly Edition page 9) we are now seeking an active and energetic person to help us with all our events held at both Pershore Abbey and St Andrew's Centre.

An Honorarium of £3,000pa is available. Details and an application form from 01386 552071 or email [office@pershoreabbey.org.uk](mailto:office@pershoreabbey.org.uk). Closing date: **14 October 2022**

**ABBAY SHOEBOX SUNDAY:** On **Sunday 06 November**, we will be holding our annual Shoebox Sunday, all children and young people are very welcome to come along at **1030** at **St Andrew's** to help pack the boxes. We would be very grateful for donations of empty **shoe boxes** and the following items to help fill them - we particularly need **soaps, flannels, toothbrushes, toothpaste, rubbers, pencil sharpeners, tennis balls, small soft teddies, felt tip pens & pads, and boy's toys. Sweets and chocolates** with a long sell by date may also be included. Please place items in the box at the back of the church during service times. Again, this year we will be supporting Teams4U, it costs a minimum of £2.50 to send each shoe box; if you prefer to contribute to this it would be greatly appreciated. Please give any monetary gifts in an envelope to Suzanne Clarke. *Thank you, Suzanne.*

**ABBAY HARVEST SUPPER THANKS:** A very happy and successful Harvest Supper was enjoyed by everyone after a two year "Covid break". With hymns, entertainment and good food the evening was a treat for us all. Many thanks to those who baked potatoes, made delicious apple crumbles or donated raffle prizes. A profit of just over £300 will go to St Andrew's. *The PASA team (Pershore Abbey and St Andrew's)*

**BIRTHDAY THANKS:** Tony wishes to thank everyone who sent good wishes and cards on the occasion of his 90th birthday. Both he and Wendy were overwhelmed by all of your wishes. We would like to say thank you for all the love and support we have received over the years and the many friends we have in the Abbey.

## ABBEY & 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 16 October - Trinity 17/Mission Sunday

08:00 Eucharist (*Pershore Abbey*)

09:45 Café Church (*St Andrew's Main Hall*)

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

10:30 Harvest Festival (*St Mary's, Wick*)

17:00 Wholeness and Healing Service (*Pershore Abbey*)

### PERSHORE ABBEY DAILY OFFICES:

0800 Silent Prayer

0830 Matins

1700 Evening Prayer

### Monday 10 October

09:30 DAWN Support (*St Andrew's Upper*)

13:00 Pershore Craft & Chat

(*St Andrew's Main Hall*)

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

18:30 Bell Ringing Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)

18:45 Evening Craft session (*St Andrew's Upper*)

19:00 Pershore Community Choir

(*St Andrew's Main*)

### Tuesday 11 October

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

14:00 Abbey Women's Fellowship

(*St Andrew's Main Hall*)

14:30 Macmillan Tea & Cake (*Wick Club*)

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

### Wednesday 12 October

13:00 Pershore Craft & Chat (*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*)

### Thursday 13 October

All Day Flower Arrangement (*Pershore Abbey*)

10:30 Organ Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)

18:00 Choir Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)

19:00 Autumn Study Group (*St Andrew's Main*)

### Friday 14 October

09:00 DAWN Sessions (*St Andrew's Upper*)

09:30 Babies & Toddlers (*St Andrew's Main*)

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

### Saturday 15 October

10:00 Matthew Coleridge Music - Choir

Registration & Rehearsal

(*St A Main Hall & Pershore Abbey*)

19:00 Matthew Coleridge Music Concert

(*Pershore Abbey*)

### Sunday 16 October - Trinity 18

08:00 Eucharist (*Pershore Abbey*)

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

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

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

14:00 Pianoscapes (*St Andrew's Main Hall*)



### WICK LADIES AFTERNOON CLUB

TEA & CAKE AFTERNOON

Wick Club 11 October 1430



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