



## Welcome to Pershore Abbey

Sunday 14 June - Trinity 2

This is your Service Sheet, Bulletin and Diary. Please use this sheet in conjunction with the service booklet provided. Large print copies are available from the welcomers.

The 1030 Service from the Abbey will be livestreamed and available to view on our YouTube channel: [Pershore Abbey Community](#)

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

### — Service Sheet —



#### First Hymn

All people that on earth do dwell,  
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;  
him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,  
come ye before him, and rejoice.

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed;  
without our aid he did us make;  
we are his folk, he doth us feed,  
and for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise,  
approach with joy his courts unto;  
praise, laud, and bless his name always,  
for it is seemly so to do.

For why? The Lord our God is good;  
his mercy is for ever sure;  
his truth at all times firmly stood,  
and shall from age to age endure.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
the God whom heaven and earth adore,  
from men and from the angel-host  
be praise and glory evermore.



## The Collect

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son 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.**



## First Reading

Exodus 19.2-8a

A reading from the book of Exodus

The Israelites had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, 'Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.'

So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him. The people all answered as one: 'Everything that the Lord has spoken we will do.'

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



## Second Reading

Romans 5.1-8

A reading from the Letter to the Romans.

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person – though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. **Amen.**

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



## Gradual Hymn

Love divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heaven, to earth come down,  
fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
all thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesu, thou art all compassion,  
pure unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation,  
enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver,  
let us all thy grace receive;  
suddenly return, and never,  
never more thy temples leave.

Thee we would be always blessing,  
serve thee as thy hosts above;  
pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,  
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation:  
pure and spotless let us be;  
let us see thy great salvation  
perfectly restored in thee;

Changed from glory into glory  
till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee,  
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Ancient & Modern 721  
Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)  
Music: John Stainer (1840-1901)



## The Gospel

Matthew 9.35-10.8

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.'

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: 'Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for labourers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgement than for that town.

See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.'

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



## Prayers

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.



## Third Hymn

*During which the collection will be taken.*

*We have the facility to take contactless card payments at the back of the Abbey.*

Take my life, and let it be  
consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
take my moments and my days,  
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move  
at the impulse of thy love;  
take my feet, and let them be  
swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing  
always, only, for my King;  
take my lips, and let them be  
filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold;  
not a mite would I withhold;  
take my intellect, and use  
every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine:  
it shall be no longer mine;  
take my heart: it is thine own;  
it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
at thy feet its treasure-store;  
take myself, and I will be  
ever, only, all for thee.

Ancient & Modern: 787  
Words: Francis Ridley Havergal  
Music: Wenzel Müller (1747-1835)



## Communion Motet

*All things bright and beautiful - Sir John Rutter - Sung by the Pershore Abbey Choir*

All things bright and beautiful  
All creatures great and small  
All things wise and wonderful  
The Lord God made them all

Each little flower that opens  
Each little bird that sings  
He made their glowing colours  
He made their tiny wings

The purple-headed mountain  
The river running by  
The sunset and the morning  
That brightens up the sky;

The cold wind in the winter  
The pleasant summer sun  
The ripe fruits in the garden –  
He made them every one

He gave us eyes to see them  
And lips that we might tell  
How great is God Almighty  
Who has made all things well



## Communion

*If you would like to receive a gluten-free host during communion please let a sidesperson know. If you would like to receive a blessing instead of communion, please bring your service sheet with you when you come up to the front. Following Church of England guidance, we do not allow the dipping of the host or wafer in the chalice.*



## Communion Hymn

Before the throne of God above  
I have a strong, a perfect plea,  
a great High Priest, whose name is Love,  
who ever lives and pleads for me.  
My name is graven on his hands,  
my name is written on his heart;  
I know that while in heaven he stands  
no tongue can bid me thence depart,  
no tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair,  
and tells me of the guilt within,  
upward I look, and see him there  
who made an end of all my sin.  
Because the sinless Saviour died,  
my sinful soul is counted free;  
for God, the Just, is satisfied  
to look on him and pardon me,  
to look on him and pardon me.

Behold him there! the risen Lamb!  
my perfect, spotless Righteousness,  
the great unchangeable I AM,  
the King of glory and of grace!  
One with my Lord, I cannot die;  
my soul is purchased by his blood;  
my life is hid with Christ on high,  
with Christ, my Saviour and my God,  
with Christ, my Saviour and my God.

Ancient & Modern: 598

Words: Charitie Lees De Chenez (1841-1923)

Music: Vikki Cook



## Post Communion Prayer

Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



## Final Hymn

The kingdom of God is justice and joy;  
For Jesus restores what sin would destroy.  
God's power and glory in Jesus we know;  
And here and hereafter the kingdom shall grow.

The kingdom of God is mercy and grace;  
The captives are freed, the sinners find place,  
The outcast are welcomed God's banquet to share;  
And hope is awakened instead of despair.

The kingdom of God is challenge and choice:  
Believe the good news, repent and rejoice!  
His love for us sinners brought Christ to his cross:  
Our crisis of judgement for gain or for loss.

God's kingdom is come, the gift and the goal;  
In Jesus begun, in heaven made whole.  
The heirs of the kingdom shall answer his call;  
And all things cry "Glory!" to God all in all.

Ancient & Modern 569  
Words: Gerald Linton Barnes (b.1935)  
Tune: Paderborn



## Organ Voluntary

*Wir danken dir Gott - JS Bach arr. Harvey Grace*

The congregation are invited to remain seated and listen to the voluntary.

## — Bulletin —

**Pershore Abbey's walking float in the Pershore Carnival 2026:** This year's carnival is taking place on Saturday 20 June. Please note the following information:- meet at Pershore Football Club, King George's Way, WR101QU by 0945 (judging begins at 1000 onwards), procession departs at 1100 - down High Street, into Broad Street, Church Walk, enter the park by the Abbey car park. Presentations will be made at the main stage at 1300. All participants should follow any instructions given by either the Police or Carnival Marshals and you are responsible at all times for your own Health and Safety and all belongings. *Please note have fun!!*

**Important update for Pershore Carnival 2026:** For all those who will be joining us in the Pershore Abbey's walking float, we have received updated Health and Safety instructions. Could you please read them carefully - despite the theme being Country and Western which conjures up the iconic visions of the Wild West. No guns, toy guns, cap guns, whips, swords, bows and arrows, knives will be allowed, therefore if you need an alternative for your costume then please let us know and we will endeavour to oblige (apparently water pistols are okay). If you have any queries do not hesitate to contact either Eloise or Beth on 07824446143.

**Pershore Carnival, Saturday 20 June:** To all the lovely cake makers - cakes can be brought to the Abbey on Friday 19 June during the day or to St Andrew's Centre between 1600 and 1800. Alternatively, ring Jane Knox on 01386 556981 to arrange collection. If anyone has garden furniture please ring Jane to arrange delivery or collection. Thank you to all makers and helpers. *Pershore Abbey and St Andrew's (PASA) Team*

**Bus sign up sheet for Terry Palmer's Ordination:** There is a sign up sheet at the back of the Abbey for those wishing to travel by bus from Pershore to Worcester Cathedral for Terry Palmer's Ordination on Sunday 28 June. For those signing up to join us, please call into the Abbey Office with your payment of £10 per person. *Peter Stansbie*

**Blessing of the River Avon:** Meet at the Old Bridge at 1430 on Sunday 14 June to join this simple service of blessing for our wonderful river. We will be joining with other churches along the Avon who will be doing the same thing as part of The Great Big Green Week. *Claire*

**Please see our Monthly Bulletin for further notices and information.**

## — Diary —

### **Sunday 14 June - Trinity 2**

- 08:00 Eucharist (*Pershore Abbey*)
- 09:15 Choir Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)
- 09:30 Café Church (*St Andrew's Main*)
- 10:30 Sung Eucharist with LIVESTREAM (*Pershore Abbey*)
- 10:30 Morning Praise (*St Mary's Wick*)
- 14:30 Pianoscapes (*St Andrews Main*)
- 14:30 Avon River Day Blessing (*The Old Bridge, Pershore*)
- 17:00 Wholeness and Healing Service (*Pershore Abbey*)

### **Monday 15 June**

- All Day - Slab Replacement West Gate Path (*Abbey*)
- 10:00 House Bible Study Group (*Laburnums, 21 Three Springs Road, Pershore*)
- 10:30 Bell Ringing - Friends of Madeline Quarter Peal (*St Andrew's*)
- 13:00 Holy Redeemer School Organ Workshop (*Pershore Abbey*)
- 13:00 Craft & Chat (*St Andrew's Main*)
- 14:00 House Bible Study Group (*28 Conningsby Drive, Pershore*)
- 18:30 Bell Ringing (*St Andrew's*)
- 19:00 Pershore Community Choir (*St Andrew's Main*)
- 19:30 Bell Ringing (*Pershore Abbey*)

### **Tuesday 16 June**

- All Day - Slab Replacement West Gate Path (*Abbey*)
- 10:15 Foodbank Staff Arrive (*St Andrew's Main*)
- 11:00 CTiP Foodbank (*St Andrew's Main*)
- 13:30 Organ Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)
- 15:30 Private Piano Lesson (*Pershore Abbey*)
- 19:00 U3A Wine Appreciation Society (*St Andrew's Main*)
- 19:00 Service of Evening Praise (*Wick Confetti Fields*)

### **Wednesday 17 June**

- All Day - Slab Replacement West Gate Path (*Abbey*)
- 10:00 Midweek Holy Communion (*Pershore Abbey*)
- 11:00 Lunch Club (*St Andrew's Main*)
- 12:00 Organ Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)
- 15:45 V&W (*Vicar's Vestry*)
- 17:30 Bell Ringing - Peal Attempt (*St Andrew's*)
- 18:30 Abbey Choir AGM (*Pershore Abbey*)
- 19:00 House Bible Study Group (*4 Nursery Close, Pershore*)

### **Thursday 18 June**

09:45 iSing Choir Practice (*St Andrew's Main*)

10:00 Private Organ Lesson (*Pershore Abbey*)

### **Friday 19 June**

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

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

14:00 Memorial Service for the late Paul Massey (*Pershore Abbey*)

16:00 Carnival Teas Set Up (*St Andrew's Main*)

18:00 Choir Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)

19:30 Bell Ringing - Pershore Development Quarter Peal (*St Andrew's*)

### **Saturday 20 June**

09:30 Visiting Organ Club (*Pershore Abbey*)

10:30 Carnival Teas (*St Andrew's Main*)

16:00 Concert Use (*St Andrew's Main*)

19:30 Farmers Oversea Action Group Concert (*Pershore Abbey*)

### **Sunday 21 June - Trinity 3**

08:00 Eucharist (*Pershore Abbey*)

09:15 Choir Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)

10:30 Sung Eucharist with Fair Trade Stall and with LIVESTREAM - Sam Andrews will be formally authorised as an ALM at this service. (*Pershore Abbey*)

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

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

#### **Pershore Abbey Daily Services**

0800 Silent Prayer

0830 Morning Prayer

1700 Evening Prayer

All are welcome to share in these services.

Friday is Canon Claire's day off. She will not be available for commitments on this day.

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