



Welcome to Pershore Abbey

Sunday 2 August - Trinity 9

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 my hope on God is founded;
he doth still my trust renew.
Me through change and chance he guideth,
only good and only true.
God unknown,
he alone
calls my heart to be his own.

Human pride and earthly glory,
sword and crown betray his trust;
what with care and toil he buildeth,
tower and temple, fall to dust.
But God's power,
hour by hour,
is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness aye endureth,
deep his wisdom, passing thought:
splendour, light, and life attend him,
beauty springeth out of naught.
Evermore
from his store
new-born worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth th' Almighty giver
bounteous gifts on us bestow;
his desire our soul delighteth,
pleasure leads us where we go.
Love doth stand
at his hand;
joy doth wait on his command.

Still from earth to God eternal
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of Christ his Son.
Christ doth call
one and all:
ye who follow shall not fall.

Ancient & Modern 584
Words: Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930)
Based on *Meine Hoffnung stehet feste*,
By Joachim Neander (1650-1680)



The Collect

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; 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 55.1-5

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah

The Lord says this: Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. For the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



Second Reading

Romans 9.1-5

A reading from the Letter to the Romans.

I am speaking the truth in Christ – I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit – I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen.

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



Gradual Hymn

Come, O thou Traveller unknown,
whom still I hold, but cannot see;
my company before is gone,
and I am left alone with thee;
with thee all night I mean to stay,
and wrestle till the break of day.

I need not tell thee who I am,
my misery or sin declare;
thyself hast called me by my name;
look on thy hands, and read it there!
But who, I ask thee, who art thou?
Tell me thy name, and tell me now.

In vain thou strugglest to get free;
I never will unloose my hold.
Art thou the man that died for me?
The secret of thy love unfold:
wrestling, I will not let thee go,
till I thy name, thy nature know.

Yield to me now, for I am weak,
but confident in self-despair;
speak to my heart, in blessings speak,
be conquered by my instant prayer.
Speak, or thou never hence shalt move,
and tell me if thy name is Love!

'Tis Love!'tis Love! Thou diedst for me!
I hear thy whisper in my heart!
The morning breaks, the shadows flee;
pure universal Love thou art:
to me, to all, thy mercies move;
thy nature and thy name is Love.

Ancient & Modern 616
Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)



The Gospel

Matthew 14.13-21

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

When Jesus heard that Herod had beheaded John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.' Jesus said to them, 'They need not go away; you give them something to eat.' They replied, 'We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.' And he said, 'Bring them here to me.' Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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



Prayers

We pray for those who live in the midst of conflict today, praying for peace for all peoples and places. We also pray for the following members of our church family:

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.

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
forgive our foolish ways;
re-clothe us in our rightful mind,
in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper reverence praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard,
beside the Syrian sea,
the gracious calling of the Lord,
let us, like them, without a word
rise up and follow thee.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with thee
the silence of eternity,
interpreted by love!

Drop thy still dews of quietness,
till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire
thy coolness and thy balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still small voice of calm.

Ancient & Modern: 621

Words: John Greenleaf Whittaker (1807-1892)

Music: Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918)



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

There is a Redeemer,
Jesus, God's own Son,
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
Holy one.

*Thank you, O my Father,
for giving us your Son,
and leaving your Spirit
til the work on earth is done.*

Jesus my Redeemer,
Name above all names,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
O for Sinners slain:

*Thank you, O my Father,
for giving us your Son,
and leaving your Spirit
til the work on earth is done.*

When I stand in glory
I will see his face,
and there I'll serve my King for ever
In that holy place.

*Thank you, O my Father,
for giving us your Son,
and leaving your Spirit
til the work on earth is done.*

Ancient & Modern: 805
Words: Keith Green (1953—1982)
And Melody Green (b.1946)



Post Communion Prayer

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



Final Hymn

From all that dwell below the skies
let the Creator's praise arise:
Alleluia, alleluia.
let the Redeemer's name be sung
through every land by every tongue.
Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Eternal are thy mercies, Lord;
eternal truth attends thy word:
Alleluia, alleluia.
thy praise shall sound from shore to shore,
till suns shall rise and set no more.
Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Ancient & Modern 637
Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748)
Based on Psalm 117



Organ Voluntary

Final - Symphonie 1 - Louis Vierne

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

— Bulletin —

Pershore Abbey provides a Cool Space for all: Pershore Abbey is now part of Pershore's Cool Space scheme. We welcome visitors from 1000 to 1700 daily and will have fresh water available whilst providing a cool space in which to sit during the hot weather.

Sustainable floral art event: You are warmly invited to come along to St James, Bishampton on Wednesday 26 August at 1930 for a talk and demonstration on how to arrange flowers sustainably, particularly in church, avoiding using oasis, or similar. Renata, an award-winning Master Florist, will be giving advice and tips on how to produce pedestal and free standing arrangements. If you have a tricky location, bring along a photo and she will advise on that too. Renata will also give details of local growers where to purchase flowers to further assist in our drive for sustainability. £5 a ticket to include a drink and nibbles. Please email bishamptonstjames@outlook.com if you are likely to attend. *Revd Canon Sarah Dangerfield*

Request for help: Plum Fayre cake makers, donations and volunteers are required please for the amazing and legendary refreshments served in St Andrew's Centre on Bank Holiday Monday 31 August between 1000 and 1600. Please speak to either Sara Speed on 01386 710776, Hilary Fowler on 01386 552243 or Jane Knox on 01386 556981. Thank you from the Pershore Abbey and St Andrew's (PASA) Team.

Teddy bears wanted for plum fayre: The Abbey is collecting teddies to sell at the Plum Fayre Teddy Stall on Monday 31 August. Donations would be very much appreciated. Please place in the 'Teddy Box' at the back of the Abbey or phone Suzanne Clarke on 01386 553293.

Early Risers needed: If you are an early riser, we need your help to marshal the Classic Car event on Monday 31 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.

Teddy bear volunteers: We need volunteers to help with all of the teddy bear based activities taking place in the Abbey on August Bank Holiday Monday. If you would like to help please contact Suzanne Clarke on 01386 553293.

Please see our Monthly Bulletin for further notices and information.

— Diary —

Sunday 02 August - Trinity 9

08:00 Eucharist (*Pershore Abbey*)

10:30 Sung Eucharist with Fairtrade stall and with LIVESTREAM (*Pershore abbey*)

10:30 Holy Communion (*St Nicholas', Pinvin*)

Monday 03 August

18:30 Bell Ringing (*St Andrew's*)

19:30 Bell Ringing (*Pershore Abbey*)

Tuesday 04 August

10:15 Foodbank Staff Arrive (*St Andrew's Main*)

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

18:30 Visiting Bell Ringers (*St Andrew's*)

20:00 Visiting Bell Ringers (*Pershore Abbey*)

Wednesday 05 August

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*)

Thursday 06 August

11:00 Eucharist (*Ganderton Court*)

17:00 Set Up for Little Seeds (*St Andrew's Main*)

Friday 07 August

09:30 Little Seeds (*St Andrew's Main*)

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

19:30 Bells - Surprise Major Practice (*St Andrew's*)

Saturday 08 August

10:00 Craft in Action Craft Fair (*St Andrew's Main*)

Sunday 09 August - Trinity 10

08:00 Eucharist with LIVESTREAM (*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*)

14:00 Organ Recital Featuring Paul Carr (*Pershore Abbey*)

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

Pershore Abbey Daily Services

0800 Silent Prayer

0830 Morning Prayer

1700 Evening Prayer

All are welcome to share in these services.

Canon Claire is on annual leave from Sunday 26 July to Monday 17 August

Summer's Little Seeds @ St. Andrew's Centre

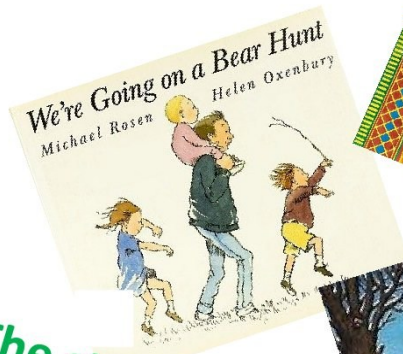


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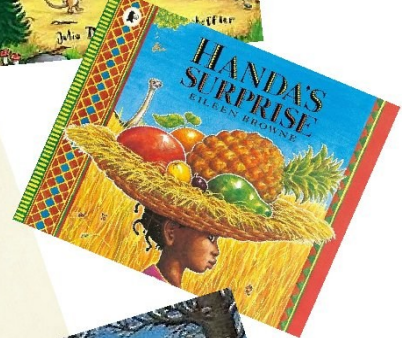
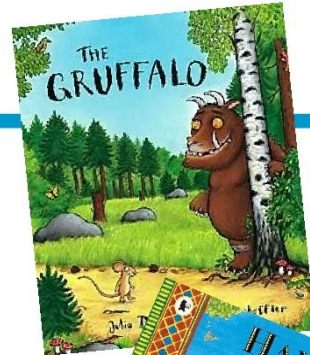


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Come and hear a story,
listen to a message
and prayer, sing a
song, make a craft,
take part in a free
play activity and
have a snack.



The story starts at
9.45am!



Friday 31st July,
7th, 14th & 21st August 2026

9.30am to 11.30am

For pre-school aged children and siblings up
to 6 years old, with an accompanying adult

If you want to find out more contact:
Sam Andrews: 07879 310312

Summer Activity Morning @ Pershore Abbey



Tuesday 4th August 2026
Drop in between 9:30am to 12pm

for
Games • Crafts • Trail • & More

**Children up to 11 years old
with an accompanying adult**

If you want to find out more contact:
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— Keeping In Touch —

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