



PERSHORE BENEFICE
The Abbey Church of the Holy Cross with
St Nicholas' Pinvin, St James' Birlingham & St Mary's Wick
Sunday, 07 July 2024
TRINITY 6

SERVICE SHEET, BULLETIN & DIARY

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THE COLLECT

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 2.1-5

The heavens were opened, and I saw visions of God. When I saw this, I fell on my face, and I heard the voice of someone speaking. He said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD.' Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 12.2-10

A reading from the Second Letter to the Corinthians.

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven – whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person – whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows – was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the

revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.' So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

Mark 6.1-13

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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HYMN SHEET

FIRST HYMN

A&M 713

SLANE

- 1 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
Whose trust ever childlike, no cares could destroy,
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

- 2 Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
Be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

- 3 Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,
Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

- 4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

[Joyce Placzek (Jan Struther) (1901-1953)]

GRADUAL HYMN

A&M 704

LUCKINGTON

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Let all the world in every corner sing,
my God and King.
The heavens are not too high,
his praise may thither fly:
the earth is not too low,
his praises there may grow.
Let all the world in every corner sing,
my God and King. | <ol style="list-style-type: none">2 Let all the world in every corner sing,
my God and King.
The church with psalms must shout,
no door can keep them out;
but above all the heart
must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in every corner sing,
my God and King. |
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[George Herbert (1593-1633)]

1 Christ is the one who calls,
the one who loved and came,
to whom by right it falls
to bear the highest name:
and still today
our hearts are stirred
to hear his word
and walk his way.

2 Christ is the one who seeks,
to whom our souls are known.
The word of love he speaks
can wake a heart of stone;
for at that sound
the blind can see,
the slave is free,
the lost are found.

3 Christ is the one who died
forsaken and betrayed;
who, mocked and crucified,
the price of pardon paid.
Our dying Lord,
what grief and loss,
what bitter cross,
our souls restored!

4 Christ is the one who rose
in glory from the grave,
to share his life with those
whom once he died to save.
He drew death's sting
and broke its chains,
who lives and reigns,
our risen King.

5 Christ is the one who sends,
his story to declare;
who calls his servants friends
and gives them news to share.
His truth proclaim
in all the earth,
his matchless worth
and saving name.

[Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926)]

COMMUNION MOTET**Lead me Lord—SS Wesley**

Sung by the Pershore Abbey Choir

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness;
make thy way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord only,
that makest me dwell in safety.

COMMUNION HYMN

A&M 144

1. How deep the Father's love for us,
how vast beyond all measure,
that he should give his only Son
to make a wretch his treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss;
the Father turns his face away,
as wounds which mar the chosen One
bring many souls to glory.

2. Behold the man upon a cross,
my sin upon his shoulders;
ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held him there,
until it was accomplished;
his dying breath has brought me life-
I know that 'it is finished.'

3. I will not boast in anything,
no gifts, no power, no wisdom;
but I will boast in Jesus Christ,
his death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from his reward?
I cannot give an answer;
but this I know with all my heart
his wounds have paid my ransom.

[Stuart Townend (b.1963)]

FINAL HYMN

A&M 477

YANWORTH

- 1 Go forth and tell! O Church of God, awake!
God's saving news to all the nations take:
proclaim Christ Jesus, Saviour, Lord and King,
that all the world his glorious praise may sing.

- 2 Go forth and tell! God's love embraces all,
he will in grace respond to all who call:
how shall they call if they have never heard
the gracious invitation of his word?

- 3 Go forth and tell! The doors are open wide:
share God's good gifts — let no one be denied;
live out your life as Christ your Lord shall choose,
your ransomed powers for his sole glory use.

- 4 Go forth and tell! O Church of God, arise!
Go in the strength which Christ your Lord supplies;
go till all nations his great name adore
and serve him, Lord and King for evermore.

[James Seddon (1915-1983)]

Voluntary: Fugue in g minor BWV 542 JS Bach
The congregation are invited to remain seated and listen to the voluntary
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PERSHORE ABBEY & BENEFICE BULLETIN & DIARY

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As a Kingdom People we are churches that seek to:

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

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weekday mornings from **0930 –1300**

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01386 552071 and they will get back to you as soon as they can.**

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO LIVE IN THE MIDST OF CONFLICT TODAY, PRAYING
ESPECIALLY FOR ALL PEOPLES OF THE HOLY LAND. WE PRAY FOR LASTING PEACE.**

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.

*If you need any help in accessing any of the online features
mentioned in the service sheet or bulletin, please do not hesitate to
contact the office or Canon Claire Lording for support.*



PERSHORE BENEFICE BULLETIN NOTICES

UPDATE FROM CLAIRE: This is just to let you know that my chemotherapy treatment begins on 25 June. It will be six cycles at three weekly intervals. I have been made aware of the side effects of such treatment and how I must do everything I can to prevent the risk of infection. I am going to take things one day at a time, hopeful that there will be good days in amongst the more challenging ones. I am still working and hope to be able to do some of the things that are in my diary, but I know I must also rest and be kind to myself. There is no plan for how this will all look and things will undoubtedly change as treatment progresses. Thanks, as ever, for all your love, support and prayers. Please continue to pray for me, all those on a similar journey and all health professionals. *Claire*

“LOVE IS IN THE AIR” - DIOCESAN MOTHERS’ UNION SERVICE: A service to celebrate love... ours and God’s in Pershore Abbey Saturday 13 July at 1400. Come and give thanks for and reaffirm, the gift of love in all relationships; married, widowed, same sex, parent and child. Children are welcome. Afterwards, bring teddies and a picnic to enjoy the Abbey grounds, weather permitting. *Sarah Cottrill, Head of Community of Interest for Faith*



SALZWEDEL EVENING - TUESDAY 9 JULY, 1900: Everyone is invited to see photographs of this year’s visit. There will be questions, fellowship and refreshments, as we plan to host a party from Salzwedel in 2025 and make a return visit in 2026. *Angela Gerrard*

SUMMER ACTIVITY MORNING IN PERSHORE ABBEY - TUESDAY 13 AUGUST, 0930-1200:



After the success of last year's event, I will be running another drop in event for children up to 11 years old, with an accompanying adult, to include games, a trail and crafts. I would appreciate some volunteers to help with this for either part or all of the morning, whatever you are able to do. Please contact me on 07879 310312 or see me in church to sign up. Many thanks. *Sam Andrews*

SUMMER’S LITTLE SEEDS IN ST. ANDEW’S: Something new for preschool children and their siblings with an accompanying adult. This will take place on Friday mornings, 26 July, 2, 9, 16 and 23 August 0930 to 1130, while Babies & Toddlers have their summer break. The children will 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. Again, I would appreciate some volunteers to help, please contact me on 07879 310312 or see me in church to let me know which date you can help. Many thanks. *Sam Andrews*

INVITING SUGGESTIONS FOR ABBEY LINK AUTUMN EDITION: The year is spinning round and I'm now seeking ideas for the autumn edition (September, October, November). There have been some wonderful contributions in recent editions - thank you! But now, do you have a story to tell? I would be delighted to receive suggestions or even a written article if you feel able. Please feel very welcome to pitch me ideas! As I've said before, there's far more going on in and around the Abbey than I know about and it's great to share. You can reach me through editor@pershoreabbey.org.uk or catch me after Sunday morning services. *Christopher Kimberley*

PLEASE SEE OUR MONTHLY BULLETIN FOR MORE NOTICES

ABBEY & BENEFICE DIARY

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

Sunday 07 July Trinity 6

08:00 Eucharist (*Pershore Abbey*)

09:15 Choir Practice (*St Andrew's Main*)

10:30 Sung Eucharist with *Fair Trade Stall and
LIVESTREAM - (Pershore Abbey)*

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

13:00 Breathwork (*St Andrew's Main*)

14:00 Organ Promenade Concert (*Pershore Abbey*)

16:00 Evensong Choir Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)

17:00 Evensong (*Pershore Abbey*)

PERSHORE ABBEY DAILY OFFICES

0800 Silent Prayer

0830 Morning Prayer

1700 Evening Prayer

Monday 08 July

10:00 Yoga Class (*St Andrew's Upper*)

11:00 Funeral Service for the late Arthur Smith
(*Pershore Abbey*)

12:00 Burial of the late Arthur Smith (*St Mary's, Wick*)

13:15 Art & Craft for Wellbeing (*St Andrew's Main*)

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

19:00 Art & Craft for Wellbeing (*St Andrew's Upper*)

19:00 Pershore Community Choir (*St Andrew's Main*)

19:30 Bell Ringing (*St Andrew's*)

Tuesday 09 July

09:30 Bells VOE Peal (*St Andrew's*)

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

13:00 Abbey Park First School Visit (*Pershore Abbey*)

14:30 Abbey Women's Fellowship (*St Andrew's Main*)

15:00 Health and Safety Meeting (*St Andrew's Upper*)

19:00 Salzwedel Evening (*St Andrew's Main*)

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

Wednesday 10 July

10:00 Midweek Holy Communion (*Pershore Abbey*)

13:30 Pinvin School Visit (*Pershore Abbey*)

14:00 Bring your Own Craft & Chat (*St Andrew's Main*)

14:30 Visit to Abbey by Adrian Daffern
(*Pershore Abbey*)

15:45 V&W (*Vicar's Vestry*)

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

Thursday 11 July

09:30 St Andrew's Executive Committee Meeting
(*St Andrew's Upper*)

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

11:00 Eucharist (*Roland Rutter Court*)

12:30 Organ Visit (*Pershore Abbey*)

14:00 Bookstall Welcomers Gathering
(*Pershore Abbey*)

Friday 12 July

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

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

18:00 Choir Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)

Saturday 13 July

10:00 Abbey Eco Church Litter Pick (*Pershore Abbey*)

11:00 Eco Church Coffee & Film (*St Andrew's Main*)

14:00 "Love is in the Air" Mothers' Union Service
(*Pershore Abbey*)

14:00 Private Party (*St Andrew's Main*)

Sunday 14 July Trinity 7

08:00 Eucharist (*Pershore Abbey*)

09:15 Choir Practice (*St Andrew's Upper*)

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 Promenade Concert (*Pershore Abbey*)

15:00 Hymns and Pimms (*St James', Birlingham*)

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