



St Lawrence Church
LECHLADE-ON-THAMES

Sunday 7th September 2025
12th Sunday after Trinity

FAMILY COMMUNION

**We will be using the green service books
from page 3**

*Our service this morning will be live-streamed and
recorded from a camera in the front right-hand pew*

WELCOME *Rev Andrew Cinnamond*

HYMN

Father, Lord of all creation,
ground of being, life and love;
height and depth beyond description
only life in You can prove:
You are mortal life's dependence:
thought, speech, sight are ours by grace;
Yours is every hour's existence,
sovereign Lord of time and space.

Jesus Christ, the Man for others,
we, Your people, make our prayer:
help us love – as sisters, brothers –
all whose burdens we can share.
Where Your name binds us together
You, Lord Christ, will surely be;
where no selfishness can sever
there Your love the world may see.

Holy Spirit, rushing, burning
wind and flame of Pentecost,
fire our hearts afresh with yearning
to regain what we have lost.
May Your love unite our action,
nevermore to speak alone:
God, in us abolish faction,
God, through us Your love make known.

Stewart Cross

GREETING

(Second one on page 4 of the service book)

CONFESSION

(First one on page 5 of the service book)

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

BIBLE READING – Daniel 1:1-21

Pew Bibles, New Testament page 834

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL READING – Matthew 5: 1-16

Pew Bibles, New Testament page 4

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

HYMN

From heaven You came, helpless babe,
entered our world, Your glory veiled;
not to be served but to serve,
and give Your life that we might live.
*This is our God, the Servant King,
he calls us now to follow Him,
to bring our lives as a daily offering
of worship to the Servant King.*

There in the garden of tears
my heavy load He chose to bear;
His heart with sorrow was torn,
'Yet not my will but yours,' He said.
This is our God, the Servant King....

Come see His hands and His feet,
the scars that speak of sacrifice,
hands that flung stars into space
to cruel nails surrendered.
This is our God, the Servant King....

So let us learn how to serve,
and in our lives enthrone Him,
each other's needs to prefer,
for it is Christ we're serving.
This is our God, the Servant King....
Graham Kendrick

SERMON – Rev Andrew Cinnamond

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(First one on page 6 of the service book))

PRAYERS

(page 7 of the service book)

NOTICES

THE PEACE

(page 7 of the service book)

HYMN

O Jesus, I have promised to serve Thee to the end;
be Thou forever near me, my Master and my Friend.
I shall not fear the battle if Thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway
if Thou wilt be my guide.

O let me hear Thee speaking in accents clear and still
above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will;
O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen,
Thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, Thou hast promised to all who follow Thee,
that, where Thou art in glory,
there shall Thy servant be;
and, Jesus, I have promised
to serve Thee to the end!
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.

O let me see Thy footmarks
and in them plant mine own:
my hope to follow duly is in Thy strength alone.
O guide me, call me, draw me, uphold me to the end;
and then in heaven receive me,
my Saviour and my Friend.

John Ernest Bode

HOLY COMMUNION

(Service book pages 8-9)

HYMNS *during communion*

Brother, sister, let me serve you;
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey,
and companions on the road;
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ light for you
in the night time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh I'll laugh with you;
I will share your joy and sorrow,
till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together,
of Christ's love and agony.

Brother, sister, let me serve you;
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

Richard Gillard

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Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here.
Come bow before Him now with reverence and fear.
In Him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around;
He burns with holy fire, with splendour He is crowned.
How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is
moving in this place,
He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister His grace.
No work too hard for Him, in faith receive from Him;
be still, for the power of the Lord is
moving in this place.

David J Evans

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

(Service book page 10)

HYMN *(during which a collection will be taken)*

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of His word –
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of His name!
Make known His might, the deeds His arm has done;
His mercy sure, from age to age the same –
His holy name: the Lord, the mighty one.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of His might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by.
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of His word!
Firm is His promise, and His mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore!

Timothy Dudley-Smith

BLESSING

(Service book page 10)

*Members of the Prayer Ministry team are ready to
pray with you in confidence in the side chapel after
the service this morning*

You may prefer to give contactlessly – if so
please use the payment unit at the back of
church or scan this code with a smartphone.



Please feel free to take service sheets home