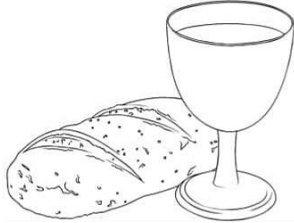




St Lawrence Church
LECHLADE-ON-THAMES

Sunday 2nd November 2025
20th Sunday after Trinity, All Saints

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 Shirley Bell

HYMN

Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days!
A world without saints forgets how to praise.
Their faith in acquiring the habit of prayer,
their depth of adoring, Lord, help us to share.

Some march with events to turn them God's way;
some need to withdraw, the better to pray;
some carry the gospel through fire and through flood:
our world is their parish; their purpose is God.

Rejoice in those saints, unpraised and unknown,
who bear someone's cross or shoulder their own;
they shame our complaining, our comforts, our cares:
what patience in caring, what courage, is theirs!

Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days!
A world without saints forgets how to praise.
In loving, in living, they prove it is true:
the way of self giving, Lord, leads us to You.

F Pratt Green

GREETING

(First one on page 4 of the service book)

CONFESSION

(First one on page 5 of the service book)

COLLECT

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in
one communion and fellowship in the mystical body
of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to
follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly
living that we may come to those inexpressible joys
that you have prepared for those who truly love you;
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**

ADMISSION OF NEW HEAD CHORISTERS

BIBLE READING – Daniel 6:1-28

Pew Bibles, Old Testament page 838

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

GOSPEL READING – Luke 12:1-11

Pew Bibles, New Testament page 71

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

HYMN

Blest are the pure in heart,
for they shall see our God;
the secret of the Lord is theirs,
their soul is Christ's abode.

The Lord, who left the heavens
our life and peace to bring,
to dwell in lowliness with men,
their pattern and their King.

Still to the lowly soul
He doth Himself impart,
and for His dwelling and His throne
chooseth the pure in heart.

Lord, we Thy presence seek;
may ours this blessing be;
give us a pure and lowly heart,
a temple meet for Thee.

John Keble

SERMON – Ian Taylor

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

For all the saints, who from their labours rest,
who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesu, be forever blest.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness, still their one true Light.
Alleluia, alleluia!

Hymn continued overleaf

O may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win, with them the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia, alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in Thee for all are Thine
Alleluia, alleluia!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on His way.
Alleluia, alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest
coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia, alleluia!

W Walsham How

HOLY COMMUNION *Rev Andrew Kirk*
(Service book pages 8-9)

HYMNS during communion

Make me a channel of Your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me bring Your love;
where there is injury, Your pardon Lord;
and where there's doubt, true faith in You.

*Oh Master, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love with all my soul.*

Make me a channel of Your peace.
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope;
where there is darkness, only light,
and where there's sadness, ever joy.

Oh Master, grant that I may never seek...

Make me a channel of Your peace.
It is pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving to all men that we receive,
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

Sebastian Temple

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Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and His righteousness;
and all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, allelu, alleluia.

Man shall not live by bread alone,
but by every word
that proceeds from the mouth of God.
Allelu, alleluia.

Alleluia...

Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
seek, and ye shall find.
Knock, and the door shall be opened up to you.
Allelu, alleluia.

Alleluia...

Karen Lafferty

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

(Service book page 10)

HYMN (during which a collection will be taken)

Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
bright seraphs, cherubim and thrones,
raise the glad strain, alleluia.
Cry out, dominions, principedoms, powers,
virtues, archangels, angels' choirs,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O higher than the cherubim,
more glorious than the seraphim,
lead their praises, alleluia.
Thou bearer of the eternal Word,
most gracious, magnify the Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
ye patriarchs and prophets blest,
alleluia, alleluia.
Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,
all saints triumphant, raise the song:
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O friends, in gladness let us sing,
supernal anthems echoing,
alleluia, alleluia.
To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three in One,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Athelstan Riley

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