



# St Lawrence Church

LECHLADE-ON-THAMES

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2026  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

## TOGETHER@10 ALL AGE SERVICE



### GOD CALLS ABRAHAM

#### WELCOME & INTRODUCTION *Susan Holmes*

#### LIGHTING THE CANDLE SONG *(twice)*

Jesus, the Light of the World,  
You shine in the hearts of us all.  
Lord God, our King, Your praise we sing,  
help us to grow strong and tall.



#### SONG

My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,  
there's nothing that He cannot do.  
My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,  
there's nothing that He cannot do.  
The mountains are His, the rivers are His,  
the stars are His handiwork too.  
My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,  
there's nothing that He cannot do.

*He is my strength when I cannot go on,  
peace when all my power is gone,  
hope, although the night is long and deep.  
He is my song for He has rescued me,  
joy now He has set me free,  
praise praise to my Father be –  
my God is all I need.*

My God is so big, so strong....  
*He is my strength when I .....  
He is my strength when I .....*

*Ruth Calkin, Fiona Aghajanian, Harrison Druery, Jaywan Maxwell, Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, Tiarne Tranter*

#### SAYING SORRY TO GOD

God our Father, we have come to church this morning to meet with you. We want to speak to you and listen to what you are saying to us.

**Please quieten our minds and help us to think about what we are doing.**

There are things we are sorry we did because they were wrong.

There are other things that we did not do, which we know we should have done.

**Please forgive us for our mistakes and help us not to make them again.**

We thank you for life and for sending Jesus into the world so that we can enjoy it even more. We are grateful to you for taking care of us from day to day.

**Please accept our thanks and help us never to take your love for granted. Amen.**

#### SONG

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer,  
there is no more for heaven now to give.  
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom,  
my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.  
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
for my life is wholly bound to His.  
Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken  
for by my side the Saviour He will stay.  
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing,  
for in my need His power is displayed.  
To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me  
through the deepest valley He will lead.  
Oh, the night has been won, and I shall overcome!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven,  
the future sure, the price it has been paid;  
for Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon  
and He was raised to overthrow the grave.  
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated  
Jesus now and ever is my plea.  
Oh, the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus,  
for He has said that He will bring me home.  
And day by day I know He will renew me  
until I stand with joy before the throne.  
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus,  
all the glory evermore to Him.  
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:  
yet not I, but through Christ in me!

*When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:  
yet not I, but through Christ in me!*

*Yet not I, but through Christ in me!*

*Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, Michael Farren*

## NOTICES

### GETTING READY TO GO!

### BIBLE READING: Genesis 12:1-9

*Church bibles OT page 10,  
read from the International Children's Bible*

This is the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

### TALK – Chris Saunders

### SONG

One more step along the world I go,  
one more step along the world I go;  
from the old things to the new,  
keep me travelling along with You:  
*And it's from the old I travel to the new;  
keep me travelling along with You.*

Round the corners of the world I turn,  
more and more about the world I learn;  
all the new things that I see,  
You'll be looking at along with me.  
*And it's from the old I travel.....*

As I travel through the bad and good,  
keep me travelling the way I should.  
Where I see no way to go,  
You'll be telling me the way, I know.  
*And it's from the old I travel.....*

Give me courage when the world is rough,  
keep me loving though the world is tough;  
leap and sing in all I do,  
keep me travelling along with You:  
*And it's from the old I travel.....*

You are older than the world can be,  
You are younger than the life in me;  
ever old and ever new,  
keep me travelling along with You:  
*And it's from the old I travel.....*

*Sydney Carter*

### PRAYERS

*including the Lord's Prayer:*

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth  
as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin  
against us. Lead us not into temptation but  
deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

### SONG *(during this song a collection will be taken)*

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;  
He makes me lie in pastures green.  
He leads me by the still, still waters,  
His goodness restores my soul.  
*And I will trust in You alone,  
and I will trust in You alone,  
for Your endless mercy follows me,  
Your goodness will lead me home.*

He guides my ways in righteousness,  
and He anoints my head with oil,  
and my cup, it overflows with joy,  
I feast on His pure delights.  
*And I will trust in You alone.....*

And though I walk the darkest path,  
I will not fear the evil one,  
for You are with me, and Your rod and staff  
are the comfort I need to know.  
*And I will trust in You alone.....*

*Stuart Townend*

### FINAL PRAYER AND BLESSING

May the Lord bless us and watch over us.  
May the Lord make his face shine upon us and be  
gracious to us.  
May the Lord look kindly on us, and give us peace.  
And may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son  
and Holy Spirit, be among us, and remain with us  
always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*Members of the Prayer Ministry team are ready to  
pray with you in confidence in the social room off the  
main hall after the service this morning.*

You may prefer to give contactlessly – if so  
please use the payment unit by the main hall  
door or scan this code with a smartphone.



Please feel free to take service sheets home