



St Lawrence Church
LECHLADE-ON-THAMES

Sunday 27th September 2026
World Church Sunday



INFORMAL SERVICE OF THE WORD

**We will be using the green service books
from page 11**

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

GREETING Andrew Cinnamond

Second one in the service book on page 12

SONGS

Make way, make way for Christ the King
in splendour arrives.

Fling wide the gates and welcome Him into your lives.

*Make way, (make way), make way, (make way),
for the King of kings, (for the King of kings).*

*Make way, (make way), make way, (make way),
and let His kingdom in.*

He comes the broken hearts to heal,
the prisoners to free.

The deaf shall hear, the lame shall dance,
the blind shall see.

Make way, (make way)....

And those who mourn with heavy hearts,
who weep and sigh;
with laughter, joy and royal crown He'll beautify.

Make way, (make way)....

We call you now to worship Him as Lord of all;
to have no gods before Him, their thrones must fall!

Make way, (make way)....

Graham Kendrick

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(twice)

Our God is a great big God,
our God is a great big God,
our God is a great big God,
and he holds us in his hands.

He's higher than a sky scraper
and He's deeper than a submarine.
He's wider than the universe
and beyond my wildest dreams.
He's known me, and He's loved me
since before the world began.
How wonderful to be a part of God's amazing plan!
Jo and Nigel Hemming

PRAYER

as the children leave for their groups

CONFESSION

Second one in the service book on page 13

SUNG PSALM 46

God is our strength and refuge,
our present help in trouble,
and we therefore will not fear,
though the earth should change!
Though mountains shake and tremble,
though swirling floods are raging,
God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore!

There is a flowing river
within God's holy city;
God is in the midst of her-
she shall not be moved!
God's help is swiftly given,
thrones vanish at His presence-
God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore!

Come, see the works of our Maker,
learn of His deeds all-powerful:
wars will cease across the world
when He shatters the spear!
Be still and know your Creator,
uplift Him in the nations-
God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore!

Richard Bewes

INTERVIEW with Ram and Keshari

Green service book page 15

COLLECT for mission and evangelism

Almighty God, who called your Church to witness that
you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:
help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that
all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who
was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the
unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

PRAYERS *Service book page 15*

Including The Lord's Prayer:

NOTICES

BIBLE READINGS

1 John 2:15-27

Pew bible NT page 237

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

John 15:1-17

Pew bible NT page 106

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

SONG

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
look full in His wonderful face,
and the things of earth will grow strangely dim
in the light of His glory and grace.

Turn your eyes to the hillside,
where justice and mercy embraced –
there the Son of God gave His life for us
and our measureless debt was erased.

*Jesus, to You we lift our eyes,
Jesus, our glory and our prize,
we adore You, behold You, our Saviour ever true.
Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You.*

Turn your eyes to the morning
and see Christ the Lion awake.
What a glorious dawn, fear of death is gone,
for we carry His life in our veins.

Turn your eyes to the heavens,
our King will return for His own.
Every knee will bow, every tongue will shout,
'All glory to Jesus alone!'

Jesus, to You we lift our eyes....

Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You.

v1 Helen Howarth Lemmel

*v2-4 George Romanacce, Kevin Winebarger,
Nathan Stiff, Nic Trout*

TALK – Ram Prasad Shrestha

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

First one in the service book on page 16

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

At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow,
every tongue confess Him King of glory now.
'Tis the Father's pleasure we should call Him Lord,
who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

Humbled for a season, to receive a name
from the lips of sinners unto whom He came,
faithfully He bore it, spotless to the last,
brought it back victorious when from death He passed.

In your hearts enthrone Him; there let Him subdue
all that is not holy, all that is not true:
crown Him as your captain in temptation's hour,
let His will enfold you in its light and power.

Brothers, this Lord Jesus shall return again,
with His Father's glory, with His angel train;
for all wreaths of empire meet upon His brow,
and our hearts confess Him King of glory now.

Caroline Maria Noel

FINAL PRAYER and BLESSING

**Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son
Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to
preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in
this mission, and help us to live the good news
we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen**

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