St Lawrence Church
LECHLADE-ON-THAMES
at Lechlade Memorial Hall Pavilion

Sunday 22nd November 2026
Sunday before Advent

INFORMAL SERVICE OF THE WORD

We will be using the green service books from page 11

Our service today will be live-streamed and recorded from a camera near the front

WELCOME *Rev Andrew Cinnamond*

GREETING
Second one in the service book page 12

SONGS
Come on, come in, everybody.
There is a God who is worthy
of all our praise – He alone is Lord.
Come on and join with creation,
let everything shout to praise Him.
Glory to Christ – He's the one who made us.
Lift up your voices to heaven's king,
bow down before His throne,
our perfect Saviour died for our sin.
Hallelujah! Praise to Jesus Christ the king.

Come on, come in, all you weary.
Come on and find rest with Jesus,
He is the one who can heal your soul.
Come on and join with the angels,
praising the Lamb who was faithful,
giving His life – He's the one who saved us.
Lift up your voices….

Come on, you saints, keep believing,
gather to hear the Lord speaking,
humble your hearts, tremble at His voice.
Come in with joy for the future,
He will renew heaven and earth.
Jesus is Lord – He'll raise us.
Lift up your voices….

Dan Adams & Gareth Loh

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All I once held dear, built my life upon.
All this world reveres, and wars to own.
All I once thought gain I have counted loss,
spent and worthless now, compared to this.
Knowing you, Jesus, knowing you,
there is no greater thing.
You're my all, you're the best,
You're my joy, my righteousness,
and I love you, Lord.

Now my heart's desire is to know you more,
to be found in you and known as yours.
To possess by faith what I could not earn,
all-surpassing gift of righteousness.
Knowing you, Jesus, knowing you,

Oh, to know the power of your risen life,
and to know You in Your sufferings.
To become like you in your death, my Lord,
so with you to live and never die.
Knowing you, Jesus, knowing you,

Graham Kendrick

PRAYER
as the children leave for their groups

CONFESSION
Second one in the service book page 13

SONG
You were the Word at the beginning,
one with God the Lord most high;
Your hidden glory in creation
now revealed in You our Christ.
What a beautiful Name it is!
What a beautiful Name it is -
the Name of Jesus Christ my King.
What a beautiful Name it is!
Nothing compares to this!
What a beautiful Name it is -
the Name of Jesus.

You didn't want heaven without us,
so Jesus You brought heaven down.
My sin was great, Your love was greater;
what could separate us now?
What a wonderful Name it is!
What a wonderful Name it is -
the Name of Jesus Christ my King.
What a wonderful Name it is!
Nothing compares to this!
What a wonderful Name it is -
the Name of Jesus.
What a wonderful Name it is -
the Name of Jesus.

Death could not hold You, the veil tore before You.
You silence the boast of sin and grave.
The heavens are roaring the praise of Your glory
for You are raised to life again.
You have no rival, You have no equal.
Now and forever God You reign.
Yours is the kingdom, Yours is the glory,
Yours is the Name above all names.
What a powerful Name it is!
What a powerful Name it is -
the Name of Jesus Christ my King.
What a powerful Name it is!
Nothing can stand against!
What a powerful Name it is -
the Name of Jesus.

Ben Fielding, Brooke Ligertwood

Service book page 15

COLLECT

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive 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 5: 13-21 *Church bible NT page 239*

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

John 6: 43-59 *Church bible NT page 95*

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

SONG

Before the throne of God above,
I have a strong and perfect plea,
a great High Priest whose name is Love,
who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is written on His hands,
my name is hidden in His heart.
I know that while in heaven He stands,
no power can force me to depart,
no power can force me to depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair
and tells me of the guilt within,
upward I look and see Him there
who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Saviour died,
my sinful soul is counted free;
for God, the just, is satisfied
to look on Him and pardon me,
to look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb,
my perfect, spotless righteousness,
the great unchangeable I AM,
the King of glory and of grace!
One with Himself I cannot die.
My soul is purchased by His blood!
My life is safe with Christ on high,
with Christ, my Saviour and my God,
with Christ, my Saviour and my God.

Charitie Lees Bancroft

TALK *Rev Andrew Cinnamond*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

First one in the service book page 16

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

Here is love, vast as the ocean,
loving kindness as the flood,
when the Prince of life, our ransom,
shed for us His precious blood.
Who His love will not remember;
who can cease to sing His praise?
He can never be forgotten
throughout Heaven's eternal days.

On the mount of crucifixion
fountains opened deep and wide:
through the floodgates of God's mercy
flowed a vast and gracious tide.
Grace and love, like mighty rivers,
poured incessant from above;
and Heaven's peace and perfect justice
kissed a guilty world in love.

Let me all Your love accepting,
love You, ever all my days;
let me seek Your kingdom only
and my life be to Your praise;
You alone will be my glory,
nothing in the world I see;
You have cleansed and sanctified me,
You have loved and set me free.

When the stars shall fall from Heaven,
and the sun turn black as night;
when the skies recede and vanish,
and the elements ignite,
then the Son of Man in glory,
coming as the Morning Star,
shall return to claim His loved ones,
gathered in from near and far.

William Rees/William Edwards/Richard Bewes

FINAL PRAYER and BLESSING

Second one in the service book page 17

Members of the Prayer Ministry team are ready to pray with you in confidence in the meeting room off the pavilion hall after the service



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