

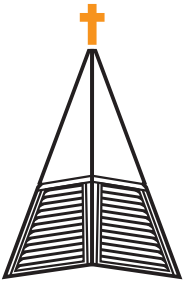


Welcome to our service of

SUNG HOLY COMMUNION

TRINITY 13

10AM ON SUNDAY 30 AUGUST 2026
at St. Leonard's Church, Penwortham



PENWORTHAM
ST. LEONARD'S
FAMILYCHURCH

Parents please note: There are some toys and books set out in the worship area for children and toddlers. Please make yourself at home, we appreciate children can be noisy and there is no need to apologise for that, or to feel awkward, at any time. Please know, God delights in children and there is no need or requirement for them, or for you, to sit still in our time together.

THE WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

All for Jesus! All for Jesus!
This our song shall ever be;
For we have no hope nor Saviour
If we have not hope in thee.

All for Jesus! thou wilt give us
Strength to serve thee hour by hour:
None can move us from thy presence
While we trust thy love and pow'r.

All for Jesus! at thine altar
Thou does give us sweet content;
There, dear Saviour, we receive thee
In thy holy sacrament.

All for Jesus! thou hast loved us,
All for Jesus! thou hast died,
All for Jesus! thou art with us,
All for Jesus, glorified!

All for Jesus! All for Jesus!
This the Church's song shall be,
Till at last the flock is gathered
One in love, and one in thee.

THE GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God, and the fellowship
of the Holy Spirit be with you

All: **and also with you.**

Faithful one, whose word is life:
come with saving power to free our
praise, inspire our prayer and shape
our lives for the kingdom of your
Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

All: **ALMIGHTY GOD, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

We come to God as one from whom no secrets are hidden, to ask for his forgiveness and peace.

MOST MERCIFUL GOD, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

May the God of love and power forgive you and I, free us from our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit, and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Please stand for

THE GLORIA

All: **GLORY TO GOD, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the Highest, Glory
to God in the Highest, and peace
to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father, we
worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the Highest,
Lord Jesus Christ, only son of
the Father, Lord God, Lamb of
God, You take away the sin of the
world: have mercy on us you are
seated at the right hand of the
Father: receive our prayer.**

**Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the Highest, For
you alone are the Holy One, you
alone are the Lord, you alone are
the Most High, Jesus Christ, with
the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God
the Father.**

**Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the Highest.**

THE COLLECT

Almighty God, you search us and
know us: may we rely on you
in strength and rest on you in
weakness, now and in all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

EXODUS 3.1-15

MOSES WAS KEEPING the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, 'I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.'

When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!' And he said, 'Here I am.'

Then he said, 'Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.' He said further, 'I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the Lord said, 'I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites.

The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will

send you to Pharaoh to bring my people,
the Israelites, out of Egypt.'

But Moses said to God, 'Who am I
that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring
the Israelites out of Egypt?'

He said, 'I will be with you; and this
shall be the sign for you that it is I who
sent you: when you have brought the
people out of Egypt, you shall worship
God on this mountain.'

But Moses said to God, 'If I come to
the Israelites and say to them, "The God
of your ancestors has sent me to you",
and they ask me, "What is his name?"
what shall I say to them?'

God said to Moses, 'I am who I am .' .
He said further, 'Thus you shall say to
the Israelites, "I am has sent me to you."
' God also said to Moses, 'Thus you shall
say to the Israelites, "The Lord , the God
of your ancestors, the God of Abraham,
the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob,
has sent me to you": This is my name for
ever, and this my title for all generations.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL HYMN

Be thou my vision,
O Lord of my heart,
Be all else but naught to me,
save that thou art;
Be thou my best thought
in the day and the night,
Both waking and sleeping,
thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom,
be thou my true word,
Be thou ever with me,
and I with thee, Lord;
Be thou my great Father,
and I thy true son;
Be thou in me dwelling,
and I with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate,
my sword for the fight;
Be thou my whole armour,
be thou my true might;
Be thou my soul's shelter,
be thou my strong tower:
O raise thou me heavenward,
great Power of my power.

Riches I heed not,
nor man's empty praise:
Be thou mine inheritance
now and always;
Be thou and thou only
the first in my heart:
O Sovereign of heaven,
my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven,
thou heaven's bright Sun,
O grant me its joys
after vict'ry is won;
Great Heart of my own heart,
whatever befall,
Still be thou my vision,
O Ruler of all.

Irish, c 8th century

THE GOSPEL READING

MATTHEW 16.21-END

Alleluia (x5). I am the way, the truth, and the life, | says the Lord. No-one comes to the Father except through me. Alleluia (x5)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

FROM THAT TIME ON, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.'

But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

'For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man

coming in his kingdom.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

THE CREED

All: **WE BELIEVE IN one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

The responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy

All: **hear our prayer.**

(or) Lord, hear us.

All: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

And at the end

Merciful Father,

All: **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

THE PEACE

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you are called to peace. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

We do not pass a collection plate during the service, but if you would like to make a donation to support the work, ministry and maintenance of the Parish, there is provision at the back of church for donations in cash, envelopes, by bank card or mobile phone using the reader at the back of the church. Thank you.

THE OFFERTORY HYMN

Will you come and follow me
If I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know,
And never be the same:
Will you let my love be shown,
Will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown
In you, and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind
If I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind,
And never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare
Should your life attract or scare,
Will you let me answer prayer
In you, and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see
If I but call your name?
Will you set the pris'ners free,
And never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean
And do such as this unseen,
And admit to what I mean
In you, and you in me?

Will you love the 'you' you hide
If I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside,
And never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found
To reshape the world around
Through my sight and touch and sound
In you, and you in me?

Lord your summons echoes true
When you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you,
And never be the same.
In your company I'll go
Where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
In you, and you in me.

John L. Bell (b.1949) and Graham Maule (b. 1958)

PRAYER AT THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

Blessed are you, Lord God of all
creation: through your goodness
we have this bread to set before you,
which earth has given and human
hands have made. It will become for
us the bread of life.

All: **Blessed be God for ever**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all
creation: through your goodness
we have this wine to set before you,
fruit of the vine and work of human
hands. It will become for us the cup
of salvation.

All: **Blessed be God for ever.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord is here.

All: **His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our
God.

All: **It is right to give thanks and
praise.**

Blessed are you, Lord God, our
light and our salvation; to you be
glory and praise for ever. From the
beginning you have created all

things and all your works echo the
silent music of your praise.

In the fullness of time you made
us in your image, the crown of
all creation. You give us breath
and speech, that with angels and
archangels and all the powers of
heaven we may find a voice to sing
your praise:

All: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of
power and might, heaven and
earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is
he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

How wonderful the work of your
hands, O Lord. As a mother tenderly
gathers her children, you embraced
a people as your own. When they
turned away and rebelled your love
remained steadfast.

From them you raised up Jesus
our Saviour, born of Mary, to be
the living bread, in whom all our
hungers are satisfied. He offered
his life for sinners, and with a love
stronger than death he opened wide
his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died, he
came to supper with his friends and,
taking bread, he gave you thanks.
He broke it and gave it to them,
saying: Take, eat; this is my body
which is given for you; do this in
remembrance of me.

At the end of supper, taking the
cup of wine, he gave you thanks,
and said: Drink this, all of you; this
is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many

for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith:

All: **Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.**

Father, we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross; we remember his dying and rising in glory, and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you these gifts of your creation; may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son. As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence, form us in the likeness of Christ, and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Remember, Lord, your Church in every land. Reveal her unity, guard her faith, and preserve her in peace. Bring us at the last with Leonard and all the saints to the vision of that eternal splendour for which you have created us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord,

by whom, with whom, and in whom, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

All: **Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

All: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All: **Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.**

AGNUS DEI

All: **Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

The president and people receive communion. Our communion table is open to everyone aged over 7 years — but if you or your child would prefer a blessing, please do come to the rail and simply cross your arms over your chest.

During Communion, we sing.

THE COMMUNION HYMN

El shaddai, El Shaddai

El-elyon na Adonai

Age to age You're still the same

By the power of the name

El Shaddai, El Shaddai

Erkamka na Adonai

We will praise and lift You high

El Shaddai

Through Your love and through the ram

You saved the son of Abraham

Through the power of Your hand

Turned the sea into dry land

To the outcast on her knees

You were the God who really sees

And by Your might

You set Your children free

El Shaddai, El Shaddai

El-elyon na Adonai

Age to age You're still the same

By the power of the name

El Shaddai, El Shaddai

Erkamka na Adonai

We will praise and lift You high

El Shaddai

Through the years You've made it clear
That the time of Christ was near
Though the people couldn't see
What Messiah ought to be
Though Your word contained the plan
They just could not understand
Your most awesome work was done
Through the frailty of Your son

El Shaddai, El Shaddai

El-elyon na Adonai

Age to age You're still the same

By the power of the name

El Shaddai, El Shaddai

Erkamka na Adonai

I will praise You 'til I die (ahh)

El Shaddai (x2)

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

FINAL HYMN

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise;
In all his words most wonderful,
Most sure in all his ways.

O loving wisdom of our God!
When all was sin and shame,
A second Adam to the fight,
And to the rescue came.

O wisest love! that flesh and blood,
Which did in Adam fail,
Should strive afresh against the foe,
Should strive and should prevail.

And that a higher gift than grace
Should flesh and blood refine,
God's presence and his very self,
And essence all-divine.

And in the garden secretly,
And on the cross on high,
Should teach his brethren, and inspire
To suffer and to die.

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise;
In all his words most wonderful,
Most sure in all his ways.

John Henry Newman (1801-1890)

DIOCESAN MISSION PRAYER

All: **God of Mission: Who alone brings growth to your church, Send your Holy Spirit to give Vision to our planning, Wisdom to our actions, Joy to our worship And power to our witness.**

**Help our church to grow
in numbers, in spiritual
commitment to you, And in
service to our local community,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen**

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Eternal God, our beginning and our end, accompany us in this day's journey. Dawn on our darkness, open our eyes to praise you for your creation and to see the work you set before us today. Take us and use us to bring to others the new life you give in Jesus Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you now and forever.

All: **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Thank you for coming to our service this morning. Please take your order of service home with you.

*I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God made it grow.
1 Corinthians 3.6*

JUST TAKE 5

Five people

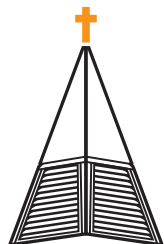
I am regularly praying that the following people will come to know the amazing, transforming love of Jesus:

- 1
- 2
- 3
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- 5

Five prayers

If you have a spare five minutes this week, please can you pray for the following:

- 1 For our church, thanking God for the generosity and faith that has been seen throughout the month of August. Particularly for Margaret and all those who helped to realise our display at the Cathedral.
- 2 For those whose lives have been taken or shattered by the collapsed glacier and floods on the Nepal / Tibet border.
- 3 For all children, teachers, support and administration staff as they begin the new school year.
- 4 For those who are sick or lonely, those who are struggling to face another day and those who feel abandoned or ignored.
- 5 Our Diocesan Mission Weekend and those who we are inviting to come with us.



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Thank you for coming to our service this morning, we look forward to welcoming you again for our services next week. Please do join us for refreshments in the main hall after the service.

NEXT WEEKS' SERVICES | SUN 6 SEPTEMBER 26 - TRINITY 13
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8:30am Holy Communion
10:00am Sung Holy Communion.