Eglwys Sant Asa Llanelwy Saint Asaph Parish Church



# The Sunday Sheet *for*Trinity 9 Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2025

A very warm welcome as we gather for the **Parish Eucharist**An induction loop is provided.

**Gluten free wafers are available** for those who need them. Please inform one of the welcomers who will pass the information on to the clergy. Many thanks

## **Entrance Hymn**

Come, let us join our cheerful songs with angels round the throne; ten thousand thousand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.

'Worthy the Lamb that died', they cry, 'to be exalted thus'; 'Worthy the Lamb', our lips reply, 'for he was slain for us.'

Jesus is worthy to receive honour and power divine; and blessings, more that we can give, be, Lord, for ever thine.

The whole creation joins in one to bless the sacred name of him who sits upon the throne, and to adore the Lamb.

Isaac Watts 1674-1748
Tune: Nativity

■ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Grace and peace be with you and keep you in the love of Christ.

The Priest gives an introduction to the Eucharist and calls the people to penitence.

When we judge by appearances, and don't take time to see what's underneath: Lord, have mercy: **Lord, have mercy.** 

When we shy away from bold action, because we're too busy, too afraid, or too ignorant:

Christ, have mercy: Christ, have mercy.

When our unwillingness to face facts means that we prolong the suffering of others: Lord, have mercy: **Lord, have mercy.** 

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you and set you free from sin, and keep you in eternal life. **Amen.** 

## Gloria in Excelsis

Glory to God, we give you thanks and praise; of heav'nly joy and earthly peace we sing. We worship you, to you our hearts we raise, Lord God, almighty Father, heav'nly King.

Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son, you bore for us the load of this world's sin. O Lamb of God, your glorious vict'ry won, receive our pray'r, grant us your peace within.

Alone, O Christ, you only are the Lord, at God's right hand in majesty most high: who with the Spirit worshipped and adored: with all the heav'nly host we glorify.

Tune; Woodlands

## **The Collect**

Let us pray:

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; 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.** 

Please Sit

## Jeremiah 23. 23-29

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

<sup>23</sup> Am I a God near by, says the Lord, and not a God far off? <sup>24</sup> Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the Lord. <sup>25</sup> I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' <sup>26</sup> How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? <sup>27</sup> They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. <sup>28</sup> Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the Lord. <sup>29</sup> Is not my word like fire, says the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

For the word of the Lord:

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Please Stand

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth: He is the King of creation.

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.

Donald Fishel b.1950 Tune: Alleluia No. 1

## Luke 12. 49-56

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

Jesus said to his disciples:

<sup>49</sup> 'I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! <sup>50</sup> I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! <sup>51</sup> Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! <sup>52</sup> From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; <sup>53</sup> they will be divided:

father against son

and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law

and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

<sup>54</sup> He also said to the crowds, 'When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, "It is going to rain"; and so it happens. <sup>55</sup> And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, "There will be scorching heat"; and it happens. <sup>56</sup> You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The Homily Please Sit

## The Affirmation of Faith

Please Stand

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family, in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

# The Intercessions

Please Sit

Appropriate responses may be used, for example

Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

Lord, hear us:

Lord, graciously hear us.

The Intercession ends with a suitable collect said by the priest, or the following

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen. The Peace Please Stand

God's way is one of great joy and of great struggle. As we stand together in God's light and love, let us offer comfort, and help each other on the way.

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.** 

Let us offer one another a sign of the Lord's peace.

# **Offertory Hymn**

O thou who camest from above the fire celestial to impart, kindle a flame of sacred love on the mean altar of my heart.

There let it for thy glory burn with inextinguishable blaze, and trembling to its source return in humble prayer and fervent praise.

Jesus, confirm my heart's desire to work and speak and think for thee; still let me guard the holy fire and still stir up the gift in me.

Still let me prove thy perfect will, my acts of faith and love repeat, till death thy endless mercies seal, and make the sacrifice complete.

Charles Wesley 1707-1788

Tune: Hereford

# The Thanksgiving

We celebrate together the gifts and grace of God. We take this bread, we take this wine to follow Christ's example and obey his command.

# **Prayer over the Gifts**

Lord, Jesus Christ, may our hearts be open to your love our doors to friend and stranger, our table to all whom you call to your supper, and our lives to your risen life; who are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

# The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** 

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy at all times and in all places to give you thanks, holy Father, all-powerful and everliving God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For he is our great high priest who has freed us from our sins and has made us a royal priesthood serving you, our God and Father.

And so with the hosts of angels and all the company of heaven we proclaim the glory of your name and join in their unending hymn of praise:

Holy, holy, holy, holy, Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty. And we lift our hearts before you as a token of our love. Holy, holy, holy, holy.

Gracious Father, gracious Father,
Blessed is the one who comes to us
in your name.
And we lift our hearts before you
as we give you thanks and praise.
Hosanna in the highest.

All praise and thanks to you, true and living God, Creator of all things, Giver of life. You formed us in your own image; but we have marred that image and fall short of your glory. We give you thanks that you sent your Son to share our life; you gave him up to death that the world might be saved, and you raised him from the dead that we might live in him and he in us.

Sanctify with your Spirit this bread and wine, your gifts to us, that they may be for us the body and blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

On the night he was betrayed, he took bread, and when he had given thanks he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying,

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way after supper he took the cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying,

Drink from this, all of you, for 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.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come in glory.

As he has commanded us, Father, we remember Jesus Christ, your Son. Proclaiming his victorious death, rejoicing in his resurrection and waiting for him to come in glory we bring to you this bread, this cup.

Accept our sacrifice of thanks and praise.
Restore and revive your people,
renew us and all for whom we pray
with your grace and heavenly blessing,
and at the last receive us with all your saints
into that unending joy promised by your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

Silence is kept Please Sit

Let us pray with confidence to the Father:

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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

# **The Communion**

The priest breaks the bread
We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
Though we are many, we are one body
for we all share in one bread.

We sing

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace.

# The Invitation to Holy Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.
Happy are those who are called to his supper.
Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.

The sacrament is administered with these words:

The body of Christ. **Amen.** The blood of Christ. **Amen.** 

All those who are baptised (Christened) are welcome to receive Holy Communion today. Baptised (Christened) children are welcome to receive holy communion at the discretion of their parents.

If you are not receiving you are welcome to come forward for a blessing but please bring this leaflet with you as a signal to the priest.

# Hymn at the end of Communion

O God, you search me and you know me. All my thoughts lie open to your gaze. When I walk or lie down you are before me: ever the maker and keeper of my days.

You know my resting and my rising. You discern my purpose from afar. And with love everlasting you besiege me: ever the maker and keeper of my days. Before a word is on my tongue, Lord, you have known its meaning through and through. You are with me beyond my understanding:
God of my present, my past and future too.

Bernadette Farrell b.1957 Based on Psalm 139

Silence is kept

# **The Sending Out**

Please Stand

# **Post Communion Prayer**

Give thanks to the Lord for he is gracious: his love is everlasting.

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

# The Blessing

The Lord be with you **And also with you.** 

May the love of God support, the justice of God guide you, and may you rise to the challenge of the living way. And the blessing of God almighty, 

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

# **Final Hymn**

Lord for the years your love has kept and guided, urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way, sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided: Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us, speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze, teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us: Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.

Lord, for our land in this our generation, spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care: for young and old, for commonwealth and nation, Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.

Lord, for our world; when we disown and doubt you, loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain, hungry and helpless, lost indeed without you: Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.

Lord, for ourselves; in living power remake us – self on the cross and Christ upon the throne, past put behind us, for the future take us: Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

Timothy Dudley-Smith 1926-2024 Tune: Lord of the years

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#### **Notices**

**Refreshments.** Please do join us for refreshments after the service if you can.

**Praying for Growth.** Please pray for the growth and renewal of the Church here in this place. Here is the Leading Your Church into Growth Prayer:

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 Community Fridge** takes place every Sunday from 4-5pm at the Parish Church.

**Sunday Sheet.** Please take this sheet home with you for the notices for the week and to pray for what is happening in the life of our Church.

Church rotas. The Parish Church Sunday rotas for September to December will be prepared soon. These are for readers, intercessors and welcomers. If there is anyone that one would like to join the rotas who is not already on the list, please speak to Janet Cameron.

**Bibles for School.** Thank you very much to all those who donated towards the cost of Bibles to give to the Year 6 leavers at Ysgol Esgob Morgan. Fr Rex

had the privilege of giving them out at the Leavers Service at the end of the Summer Term.

## The Week Ahead

**18<sup>th</sup> Monday – Feria** 9am Morning Prayer 9.30am Holy Eucharist 5pm Evening Prayer

19<sup>th</sup> Tuesday – Feria 9am Morning Prayer 5pm Evening Prayer 6pm Holy Eucharist

**20<sup>th</sup> Wednesday – Bernard, Abbot** 9am Morning Prayer 10.30am Holy Eucharist

10.30am Holy Eucharist 5pm Evening Prayer

21st Thursday - Feria

9am Morning Prayer 10am Holy Eucharist at the Parish

Church

10.45am Prayer Group at the Parish
Church

5pm Evening Prayer

22<sup>nd</sup> Friday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer9.30am Offeren (Welsh Eucharist)5pm Evening Prayer

23<sup>rd</sup> Saturday – Tydfil, Martyr

9am Morning Prayer 5pm Evening Prayer

24th Sunday – Bartholomew, Apostle

9.30am The Parish Eucharist11am The Cathedral Eucharist3.30pm Evening Prayer

# **Today's Readings**

## Jeremiah 23. 23-29

God condemns false prophets who make up dreams and revelations. He calls for true prophets to speak the authentic word of God with its burning truth and awesome power.

#### Psalm 82

#### Hebrews 11. 29 – 12. 2

The writer of Hebrews encourages Christians to persevere in their faith, and to take encouragement from the example of all those faithful people who have suffered and endured before them.

#### Luke 12. 49-56

Jesus talks of the death that awaits him in terms of the judgement and accountability that it will ultimately bring. He criticises those who are stubbornly blind to the significance of his death for their times.



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