

St. Laurence's, Chorley

All Age Eucharist

Saturday 18th July 2026
at 17.00

He said to them,

"Come with me. We will go to a quiet place to be alone. There
we will get some rest."

Opening Song

**Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here;
come bow before him now
with reverence and fear:
in him no sin is found-
we stand on holy ground.**

**Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here.**

**Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
he burns with holy fire,
with splendour he is crowned:
how awesome is the sight-
our radiant King of light!**

**Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.**

**Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place:
he comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister his grace-
no work too hard for him.
In faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.**

Gathering

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you
and also, with you.

The Act of Penitence

God calls us to rest in him, yet we hurry through our days and crowd out his voice. Let us turn to the Lord who invites us to slow down, to breathe, and to receive his mercy.

Lord Jesus, you call us to stillness and trust, but we rush past your presence and resist your gift of rest. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

You offer Sabbath as a holy rhythm for our good, yet we fill our lives with noise, pressure, and endless striving. Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You invite us to lay our burdens down, but we cling to control and forget that you are God. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May the God who calls us to rest lift from us the weight of our striving, forgive us our haste and our forgetfulness of his grace, and restore in us the peace of his Sabbath gift. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Song of Praise

**With me, God is with me
Yes He's with me every step
With me, God is with me
Yes He's with me every step
I know God is with me every step I go
I know God is with me every step
With you, God is with you
Yes He's with you every step
With you, God is with you
Yes He's with you every step
I know God is with you every step you go
I know God is with you every step**

**Oh the love of God
Is with me every day
Every step I take
He will lead me on
Into His perfect plan
Walking hand in hand**

**With us, God is with us
Yes He's with us every step
With us, God is with us
Yes He's with us every step
I know God is with us every step we go
I know God is with us every step**

The Special Prayer for this week

Let us pray [*Brief silence*]

Generous God, you grant us rest and make it holy: as these summer weeks unfold, renew us in body, mind, and spirit, that our Sabbath keeping may deepen our joy and strengthen your Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

¶ The Word of God

[We remain standing for the Alleluia]

The Holy Gospel

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Mark*

✠ Glory to you, O Lord.

The apostles Jesus had sent out came back to him. They gathered around him and told him about all they had done and taught. Jesus and his followers were in a very busy place. There were so many people that he and his followers did not even have time to eat. He said to them, "Come with me. We will go to a quiet place to be alone. There we will get some rest."

So, Jesus and his followers went away alone. They went in a boat to a place where no one lived.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The Homily

The Creed

[We stand]

With our Christian brothers and sisters, we affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

**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**

Prayers of the People

Lord hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us

[At the end]

Merciful Father,

**Accept these prayers
For the sake of your Son,
Our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you;
and also, with you.

¶ The Liturgy of the Sacrament

[An offertory song may be sung, with the chorus:]

**Blessed be God, Blessed be God.
Blessed be God for ever Amen. *[Twice]***

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you

and also, with you.

Lift up your hearts. your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is always right,
wherever we are,
to thank you and to praise you,
God our Father and King for ever,
through Jesus Christ, your Son.

So here on earth,
with the angels and archangels
and with everyone in heaven
we praise your name and sing:

Holy God, (clap, clap)

Holy God, (clap, clap)

Lord of all creation.

Your glory fills, (clap, clap)

The earth with light, (clap, clap)

Hosanna in excelsis.

✠ Blessed, blessed is he

Who comes now in God's name.

To you we raise our hands up high,

And sing aloud your praise!

Holy God, (clap, clap)

[The priest continues the prayer, recalling the words and actions of Jesus at the Last Supper...]

Father in heaven, listen to the prayer we make in Jesus' name;
through the Holy Spirit's power, gentle as a dove, may this bread
and this wine be for us Jesus' body and blood.

Father, we remember
when Jesus had supper with his friends
the night before he died, he took the bread; he thanked you,
broke it, gave it to his friends and said:
Take this and eat it – this is my body,
given for you. Do this to remember me. ✠

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine;
he thanked you, gave it to his friends and said:
All of you drink from this cup,
because this is my blood – the new promise of God's love. Do
this every time you drink it to remember me. ✠
Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Father, as we remember your Son, Jesus Christ,
who died on the cross and rose again,
we offer you these and all the gifts
you freely give to us.
Send your Holy Spirit to be with us
and all who share this bread
and drink from this cup.
Help us to trust you,
bring us closer together and welcome us,
with all your people,
into Jesus' glorious kingdom.

All honour and glory belong to you, Father,
through Jesus, your Son,
with the Holy Spirit: one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

[All sit/kneel and silence may be kept.]

The Communion

The Lord's Prayer

**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

[The priest breaks the consecrated bread:]

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy
on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy
on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us
peace.**

This is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed 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.**

*During the distribution of Holy Communion
please keep a period of silence and listen to music played by the worship
group.*

Thanksgiving Prayer after Communion

Let us pray [Brief Silence]

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever feeding us in the holy Eucharist that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the peace of his risen presence that, in these summer weeks, we may enter his Sabbath rest and be renewed in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen.

¶ The Sending Out

The Lord be with you

And also with you

.... 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.

Closing Song

Lord, I lift Your name on high
Lord, I love to sing Your praises
I'm so glad You're in my life
I'm so glad You came to save us

You came from heaven to earth
To show the way
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay
From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
Lord, I lift Your name on high

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