CHORAL EUCHARIST
St Luke the Evangelist
18th October 2026 10.45 am

St Mary's
IN THE LACE MARKET

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC: Tomkins *Voluntary*

SETTING: Lassus *Missa 'Vinum bonum'*

CELEBRANT: Revd Dr Robin McKenzie **PREACHER:** The Vicar

Welcome! If you are visiting or trying St Mary's for the first time, we are particularly pleased to welcome you here and hope you will find a home among the church family today.

To avoid any distraction, we politely ask there is no photography or recording during services. Thank you for your understanding.

HYMN Captains of the saintly band 299

Captains of the saintly band,
lights who lighten every land,
princes who with Jesus dwell,
judges of his Israel;

on the nations sunk in night
ye have shed the Gospel light;
sin and error flee away,
truth reveals the promised day.

Not by warrior's spear and sword,
not by art of human word,
preaching but the cross of shame,
rebel hearts for Christ ye tame.

Earth, that long in sin and pain
groaned in Satan's deadly chain,
now to serve its God is free
in the law of liberty.

Distant lands with one acclaim
tell the honour of your name,
who, wherever man has trod,
teach the mysteries of God.

Glory to the Three in One
while eternal ages run,
who from deepest shades of night
called us to his glorious light.

J.B. de Santeuil (1630-97), tr. H.W. Baker (1821-77)

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.

Please sit

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

CONFESSION

We run the race set before us, surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses. Therefore let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which clings so closely, bringing them to Jesus in penitence and faith.

Father eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour, in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We have wounded your love and marred your image in us. We are sorry and ashamed and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen.

KYRIE

Kyrie eleison	Christe eleison	Kyrie eleison
Lord have mercy	*Christ have mercy*	*Lord have mercy*

ABSOLUTION

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive you your sins, open your eyes to God's truth, strengthen you to do God's will, and give you the joy of his kingdom through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please stand

GLORIA

Gloria in excelsis Deo	*Glory be to God on high,*
et in terra pax hominibus	*and in earth peace,*
bonae voluntatis.	*good will towards men.*
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,	*We praise thee, we bless thee,*
adoramus te, glorificamus te,	*we worship thee, we glorify thee,*
gratias agimus tibi	*we give thanks to thee*
propter magnam gloriam tuam,	*for thy great glory,*
Domine Deus, Rex cælestis,	*O Lord God, heavenly King,*
Deus Pater omnipotens.	*God the Father Almighty.*
Domine Fili unigenite,	*O Lord, the only-begotten Son,*
Iesu Christe,	*Jesu Christ;*
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,	*O Lord God, Lamb of God,*
Filius Patris,	*Son of the Father,*
qui tollis peccata mundi,	*that takest away the sins of the world,*
miserere nobis ;	*have mercy upon us.*
qui tollis peccata mundi,	*Thou that takest away the sins of the world,*
suscipe deprecationem nostram.	*receive our prayer.*
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,	*Thou that sittest at the right hand of the*
miserere nobis.	*Father, have mercy upon us.*
Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,	*For thou only art holy;*
tu solus Dominus,	*thou only art the Lord;*
tu solus Altissimus, Iesu Christe,	*thou only, O Christ,*
cum Sancto Spiritu :	*with the Holy Ghost, art most high*
in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.	*in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

COLLECT

Almighty God, you called Luke the physician, whose praise is in the gospel, to be an evangelist and physician of the soul: by the grace of the Spirit and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel, give your Church the same love and power to heal; 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

FIRST READING 2 Timothy 4. 5–17 read by Jane Ridley

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound teaching, but, having their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, be sober in everything, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. Do your best to come to me soon, for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful to me in ministry. I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will pay him back for his deeds. You also must beware of him, for he strongly opposed our message. At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Greet Prisca and Aquila and the household of Onesiphorus. Erastus remained in Corinth; Trophimus I left ill in Miletus. Do your best to come before winter. Eubulus sends greetings to you, as do Pudens and Linus and Claudia and all the brothers and sisters. The Lord be with your spirit. Grace be with you.

This is the word of the Lord:
Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gradual Hymn, and turn to face the Gospel Book as it is processed into the congregation.

HYMN Saint Luke, beloved physician (tune 170i)

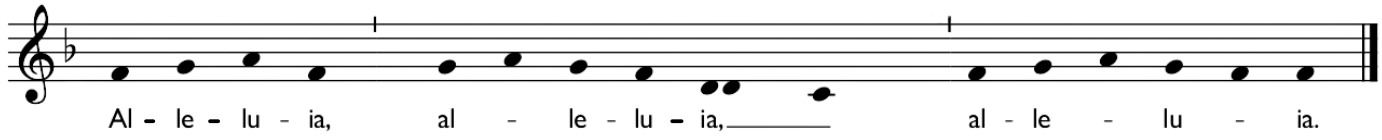
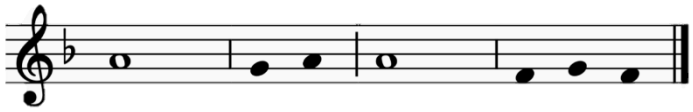
Saint Luke, beloved physician,
with honour now recall,
who served his Master's mission,
who ministered to Paul;
whose skill to distant ages
bequeathed a gift unpriced,
a gospel in whose pages
we see the face of Christ.

He tells for us the stories
of Jesus here on earth,
the unsung pains and glories
that marked the church's birth;
the Spirit's power in preaching,
the contrite sinner freed,
the grace and mercy reaching
our deepest human need.

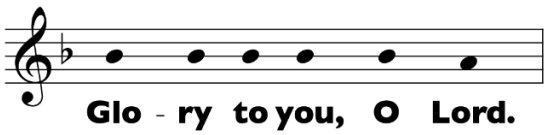
For all who work our healing
we lift our hearts in prayer,
the love of God revealing
in science, skill and care:
his gifts be still imparted
to those who make us whole,
like Luke the tender-hearted,
physician of the soul.

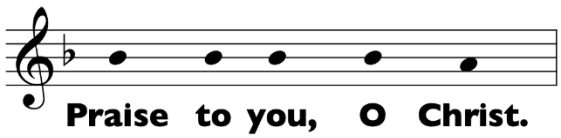
Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926-2024)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The Alleluias are sung once by the choir, then again by everyone.
After the sentence of scripture, we all sing the Alleluias again.

Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Choir I appointed you to go and | bear fruit; fruit | that will last.
All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL READING Luke 10.1-9

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke:

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way; I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on that person, but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord:

Please sit

SERMON

Please stand

CREED

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.

Please sit

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION led by Julia Barrow

The prayers use these responses:

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

At the conclusion of the prayers:

Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Please stand

THE PEACE

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near.

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

OFFERTORY HYMN Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old 285

A collection is taken during the following hymn and bread and wine are brought to the altar.

Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old
was strong to heal and save;
it triumphed o'er disease and death,
o'er darkness and the grave:
to thee they went, the blind, the dumb,
the palsied and the lame,
the leper with his tainted life,
the sick with fevered frame.

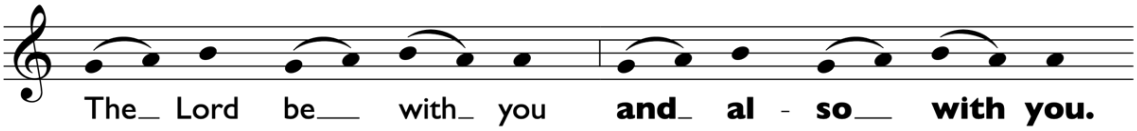
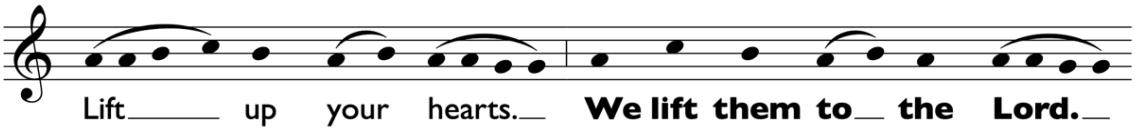
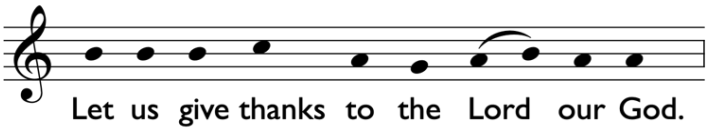
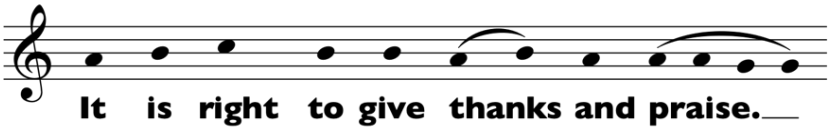
And lo, thy touch brought life and health,
gave speech and strength and sight;
and youth renewed and frenzy calmed
owned thee, the Lord of light:
and now, O Lord, be near to bless,
almighty as of yore,
in crowded street, by restless couch,
as by Gennesareth's shore.

Be thou our great deliverer still,
thou Lord of life and death;
restore and quicken, soothe and bless,
with thine almighty breath:
to hands that work, and eyes that see,
give wisdom's heavenly lore,
that whole and sick, and weak and strong,
may praise thee evermore.

E. H. Plumptre (1821-91)

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Father, accept all we bring before you this day. Guide us with your love and feed us at your table as you nourish the faith of the Church by the preaching of your apostles. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word, through whom you have created all things; who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh; as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin, he lived on earth and went about among us; he opened wide his arms for us on the cross; he put an end to death by dying for us; and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life; so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

And now we give you thanks because your Son Jesus Christ after his resurrection sent forth his apostles and evangelists to preach the gospel to all nations and to teach us the way of truth.Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,	*Holy, holy, holy Lord,*
Dominus Deus Sabaoth,	*God of power and might,*
Pleni sunt cœli et terra gloria tua.	*Heaven and earth are full of your glory.*
Hosanna in excelsis.	*Hosanna in the highest.*
Benedictus qui venit	*Blessed is he who comes*
in nomine Domini.	*in the name of the Lord.*
Hosanna in excelsis.	*Hosanna in the highest.*

Please sit

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
who in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you 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 gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: 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:
Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Luke the Evangelist and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.
Amen.

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

AGNUS DEI

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.	*Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.*
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.	*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.
Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Everyone is invited to come forward. If you have been confirmed, or if you usually receive Communion in your own church, you are warmly invited to join us receiving here.

We offer Communion in two different ways. On the north side (left-hand side as you look from the back of church towards the altar), you will receive a piece of bread that has already been dipped in the wine. On the south (right-hand) side, you will receive the bread and wine separately, drinking from the shared cup. Please choose whichever side you prefer.

If you would prefer to receive a prayer of blessing rather than bread and wine, simply indicate this as you come to the altar rail.

COMMUNION MOTET Victoria *O quam gloriosum*

O quam gloriosum est regnum,
in quo cum Christo gaudent omnes Sancti.
Amicti stolis albis,
sequuntur Agnum quocumque ierit.

O how glorious is the kingdom,
wherein all the Saints rejoice with Christ!
Clothed in white robes,
they follow the Lamb wherever he goes.

Words: Antiphon for All Saints Second Vespers

POST COMMUNION PRAYERS

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

NOTICES & BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Please stand

HYMN Disposer supreme, and Judge of the earth 298

Disposer supreme, and Judge of the earth,
who choosest for thine the meek and the poor;
to frail earthen vessels and things of no worth,
entrusting thy riches which aye shall endure;

those vessels soon fail, though full of thy light,
and at thy decree are broken and gone;
thence brightly appeareth thy truth in its might,
as through the clouds riven the lightnings have shone.

Like clouds are they borne to do thy great will,
and swift as the winds about the world go:
the word with his wisdom their spirits doth fill;
they thunder, they lighten, the waters o'erflow.

Their sound goeth forth, 'Christ Jesus the Lord!'
then Satan doth fear, his citadels fall;
as when the dread trumpets went forth at thy word,
and one long blast shattered the Canaanite's wall.

O loud be their trump, and stirring their sound,
to rouse us, O Lord, from slumber of sin:
the lights thou hast kindled in darkness around,
O may they awaken our spirits within.

All honour and praise, dominion, and might,
to God, three in one, eternally be,
who round us hath shed his own marvellous light,
and called us from darkness his glory to see.

J.B. de Santeuil (1630-97), tr. Isaac Williams (1802-65)

THE BLESSING

God, who has prepared for you a city with eternal foundations, bring you, with all the saints, to the eternal and triumphant joy of that city; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**.

DISMISSAL

Jesus said to the disciples, 'Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation.'

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

VOLUNTARY: J S Bach *Fuga sopra il Magnificat, BWV 733*

We hope you'll stay for refreshments and a chance to chat.

There is no charge for refreshments. We're grateful for any donations, but don't let lack of money stop you from joining us.

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