



' Following Jesus In loving Community'

Epiphany 2 - 19th January 2025

Please join us for our service live on YouTube at 10:00am.

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Welcome and introduction

Please follow the service in the Gold booklet

First Hymn

Jesus is Lord!

Creation's voice proclaims it,

For by His power each tree and flower
Was planned and made.

Jesus is Lord! The universe declares it;
Sun, Moon and stars in heaven cry:
Jesus is Lord!

*Jesus is Lord, Jesus is Lord!
Praise Him with 'Alleluias',
for Jesus is Lord!*

Jesus is Lord!

Yet from His throne eternal
In flesh He came to die in pain
On Calvary's tree.

Jesus is Lord! From Him all life proceeding,
Yet gave His life a ransom,
Thus setting us free.

*Jesus is Lord, Jesus is Lord!
Praise Him with 'Alleluias',
for Jesus is Lord!*

Jesus is Lord!

O'er sin the mighty conqueror,
From death He rose and all His foes
Shall own His name.

Jesus is Lord! God sends His Holy Spirit
To show by works of power
That Jesus is Lord.

*Jesus is Lord, Jesus is Lord!
Praise Him with 'Alleluias',
for Jesus is Lord!*

David John Mansell (b. 1936)

Collect

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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.

First Reading

Isaiah 62 : 1-5

¹For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not remain quiet, till her vindication shines out like the dawn, her salvation like a blazing torch.

²The nations will see your vindication, and all kings your glory; you will be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will bestow.

³You will be a crown of splendour in the LORD's hand, a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

⁴No longer will they call you Deserted, or name your land Desolate. But you will be called Hephzibah, and your land Beulah; for the LORD will take delight in you, and your land will be married.

⁵As a young man marries a young woman, so will your Builder marry you; as a bridegroom rejoices over his bride, so will your God rejoice over you.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

Christ is the King! O friends rejoice;
Brothers and sisters, with one voice
Make all men know he is your choice.

Alleluia.

O magnify the Lord, and raise
Anthems of joy and holy praise
For Christ's brave saints of ancient
days.

Alleluia.

They with a faith for ever new
Followed the King, and round him drew
Thousands of faithful hearts and true.

Alleluia.

O Christian women, Christian men,
All the world over, seek again
The way disciples followed then.

Alleluia.

Christ through all ages is the same:
Place the same hope in his great name,
With the same faith his word proclaim.

Alleluia.

Let Love's unconquerable might
Your scattered companies unite
In service to the Lord of light.

Alleluia.

So shall God's will on earth be done,
New lamps be lit, new tasks begun,
And the whole Church at last be one.

Alleluia.

GKA Bell (1883-1958)

Gospel Reading

John 2 : 1 –11

Alleluia, alleluia

Christ was revealed in the flesh,
proclaimed among the nations and
believed in throughout the world.

Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, ²and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding.

³When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine."

⁴"Woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My hour has not yet come."

⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

⁶Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons.

⁷Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim.

⁸Then he told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet." They did so, ⁹and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew.

Then he called the bridegroom aside¹⁰ and said, "Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now."

¹¹ What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn during preparation of the Table

The people that in darkness sat

A glorious light have seen;
The light has shined on them who long
In shades of death have been.

To hail thee, Sun of Righteousness,
The gathering nations come;
They joy as when the reapers bear
Their harvest treasures home.

For unto us a Child is born,
To us a Son is given,
And on his shoulder ever rests
All power in earth and heaven.

His name shall be the Prince of Peace,
The everlasting Lord,
The Wonderful, the Counsellor,
The God by all adored.

His righteous government and power
Shall over all extend;
On judgement and on justice based,
His reign shall have no end.

Lord Jesus, reign in us, we pray,
And make us thine alone,
Who with the Father ever art
And Holy Spirit One.

J. Morrison (1750 - 98) and Others

*We do not pass a collection plate during the Offertory, 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, weekly envelopes, by bank card or mobile phone using the reader at the back of the church.
Thank you.*

The Choir will sing during the distribution of the Communion

Final Hymn

Through all the changing scenes of life,

In trouble and in joy,
The praises of my God shall still
My heart and tongue employ.

O magnify the Lord with me,
With me exalt his name;
When in distress to him I called,
He to my rescue came.

The hosts of God encamp around
The dwellings of the just;
Deliverance he affords to all
Who on his succour trust.

O make but trial of his love:
Experience will decide
How blest are they, and only they,
Who in his truth confide.

Fear him, ye saints, and you will then
Have nothing else to fear;
Make you his service your delight,
Your wants shall be his care.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

*N. TATE (1652 - 1715) and
N. BRADY (1659 - 1726)*

organ voluntary :

A Country Wedding (from 'Vltava') -
Bedrich Smetana (1824-84),
arranged by Adrian Self (b 1952)

**Please support the
5th ANNUAL JIGSAW CELEBRATION**

which continues today here in
St. Paul's Church from 12 Noon - 4pm

Free admission.

Soup and sandwiches, cakes, scones and
drinks available in the Centenary Room.

All proceeds to General Church Funds.

**A request
from the Social Committee (FF & F Group).**

If you find that you have things left from
Christmas with a longish sell by date or
have received gifts you won't use, please
consider letting us have them to use as
raffle prizes at future social events.

Donated items can be brought to St. Paul's
or left at St. Lawrence's.

The Well -

Prayer for Growth and Renewal

Join Revd Mike and others as we pray
for our community of Longridge and
our Christian witness within it.

*"Now the Lord has given us room and
we will flourish in the land."*

Genesis 26:22

Those Departed - Rest In Peace

Glenise Cragg
Ronald Fletcher
Paul Byrne,
Nancy Umpleby
Audry Scambler



Brew Time

Every Wednesday from 8.50am-11am
in St Paul's Centenary Room.
Serving tea, coffee, toast, crumpets and cakes!
There's always a warm and
friendly welcome.
Do join us we would love to see you.
Kath & Jacqui, Bev & John

Welcome Cafe

Meet weekly on Wednesdays during
the school term in St. Paul's Church
Centenary Room 3:00– 5:00pm



St Lawrence
with St Paul
Longridge

Next Sunday's Services - January 26th 2025 - Vision Sunday—Epiphany 3

10:00am 'Service of Holy Communion' including children's Church
at St. Paul's Church/Live stream

6.30pm 'Service of Evensong at St. Lawrence's Church