



**ST. LAURENCE CHURCH
THE PARISH EUCHARIST**

**The Second Sunday of Epiphany
18th January 2026**

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

This service will be live streamed. Your image will be captured on CCTV as a participant in the liturgy. Please tell a sidesman if you do not wish to be filmed in order to be seated in a position out of the view of the camera.

The You Tube link is:

<https://www.youtube.com/@StLaurenceChurchHawkhurst>

8.00am Eucharist (BCP)

10.00am Parish Eucharist

We welcome today's celebrant and
Preacher, the Rev Vicki Young

Sidesman: Diana Hunt

Reader: Stephen Crowe

Intercessions: Norma Crowe

Chalice: Julie Hammonds and

Kwame Appiah-Peprah

Today's Hymns are:

49: *Creator of the earth and sky*

43: *The race that once in darkness
pined*

44: *What star is this*

318: *Let all mortal flesh*

394: *God moves in a mysterious way*

The 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.

The First Reading:

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ
Jesus by the will of God, and our
brother Sosthenes,

To the church of God in Corinth, to
those sanctified in Christ Jesus and
called to be his holy people, together
with all those everywhere who call on
the name of our Lord Jesus Christ—
their Lord and ours:

Grace and peace to you from God our
Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I always thank my God for
you because of his grace given you in
Christ Jesus. For in him you have been
enriched in every way—with all kinds
of speech and with all knowledge
— God thus confirming our
testimony about Christ among you.
Therefore you do not lack any spiritual
gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord

Jesus Christ to be revealed. He will also keep you firm to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Gospel Reading

John 1:29-42.

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is the one I meant when I said, 'A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptizing with water was that he might be revealed to Israel."

Then John gave this testimony: "I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. And I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' I have seen and I testify that this is God's Chosen One."

The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, "Look, the Lamb of God!"

When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, "What do you want?" They

said, "Rabbi" (which means "Teacher"), "where are you staying?" "Come," he replied, "and you will see." So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon. Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus.

Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas" (which, when translated, is Peter).

We pray for the sick:

Eleanor Ash, David Winstone, John Tanner, Irene Bow, Brian Elliott, Jill Fitzpatrick, Thomas Cox, Gwen Brown, Matt, Jill, Carol, Dido Robson, Keith Brown, Hannah, Chris Bodeen, Val, Jane and Jeremy, Val Manser, Chris Bell, and Rebekah Mary.

We pray for the recently departed:

Baby Mary Alice

We pray for those whose years mind occurs at this time:

(their names are also displayed on the altar in the Warrior Chapel).

Jack Travers, Evelyn Waghorn, Eleftheria Corfield, William Butler, Hilary Wood, Cecille Mallinson, Lily

Collins, Malcolm Dreyer, Richard Dyke, Jane Barker, Olaf Phillips, Doris Bird, Gilbert French, Rosaline Beeny, William Fawcett, Stephen Barker, Isoline Vaughan, Hylda Reynolds, Kathleen Wood, Sheila Maugham, Sylvia Smith, Prudence Bilsby, Carole Williamson, Jean French, Laurence Wield, Michael Haggard, Ronald Martin, Shirley Ferguson, Penny Tweedie, Richard Phillips, Colin Attwood, Fred Bull, Nancy Watson, Victor Potter, Amanda Guile, Patrick Roberts, Beth Ingram-Cordrey, Leila Wood, Clifford Winteringham, Ken Weatherley, Janet Chitham, Michael Barrass, Colin Norton-Smith, Beverly Chard.

At the end of the service as the Altar Party and Choir depart, please sit and enjoy the Organ Voluntary.

NOTICES

Wednesday Eucharist

at Bowles Lodge ~ 10.00a.m. Please do join us.

Compline - Wednesday at 6.00pm on Zoom. Please feel free to join us if you can. The Zoom link is:

Meeting ID: 880 4785 4233

Passcode: 798527

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Collection and Giving - A collection will be taken during this service. Please use a Gift Aid envelope if you are a taxpayer. You may support our work by donating through the online terminal at the exit. Additionally you may give to St Laurence Church via the QR code below.



Parish Giving Scheme

St. Laurence is also a member of the Parish Giving Scheme. This enables you to give to St. Laurence monthly, quarterly or annually by Direct Debit. Please go to www.parishgiving.org.uk for more details. This also allows your donations to be increased by Gift Aid adding 25% to the amount St. Laurence receives.

Forthcoming Services:

25th January:

8.00am BCP Morning Prayer

Led by Stephen Ringer

10.00am Eucharist

Rev Stephen Hardy and Rev Lesley
Hardy

Sidesman: Kate Lagden

Reader: Rachel Elliott

Intercessions: Anne Wheelhouse

Chalice: Kent Harries and Peter
Hodges

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Vicar

The Benefice is currently in
vacancy.

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