

# St. Laurence Lodge

No. 2724

Province of Worcestershire

1898



1998

## Centennial Celebration Order of Procedure

Worshipful Master  
Bro. G. R. Charlton

MASONIC HALL  
KINGS HEATH, BIRMINGHAM

THURSDAY 10th DECEMBER 1998

# 1998 OFFICERS

Bro. G. R. CHARLTON.....	Worshipful Master
W. Bro. R. G. HAYTON, PProv.J.G.W.....	LPM.
Bro. M. WILKES.....	Senior Warden
Bro. R. C. MULGRUE.....	Junior Warden
W. Bro. S. F. W. HALL PProv.A.G.D.C.....	Chaplain
W. Bro. J. L. STEPHENS, PPROV.J.G.W.....	Treasurer
W. Bro. P. C. WOOLLERTON, PProv.G.Reg.....	Secretary
W. Bro. A. W. SMITH, PProv.A.G.D.C.....	Director of Ceremonies
W. Bro. S. F. W. HALL, PPROV. A.G.D.C.....	Harmoner
W. Bro. S. F. W. HALL, PProv.A.G.D.C.....	Charity Steward
Bro. T.G. BUTLER.....	Senior Deacon
Bro. J. G. PLANT.....	Junior Deacon
W. Bro R. O. HAYTON, PProv.J.G.W.....	Asst Director of Ceremonies
W. Bro. W. E. WHITEHOUSE, PProv.S.G.W.....	Organist
W. Bro. J. L. BROOKER, PProv.G.Reg.....	Asst. Secretary
W. Bro. M. J. MASON PProv.A.G.Reg.....	Inner Guard
Bro. A. K. VISWAN.....	Steward
	Tyler

## BRETHREN

Bro. M. B. SINGH                      Bro. D. L WRIGHT                      W.Bro. K. RANDALL

## HONORARY MEMBERS

W. Bro. W. L. BEEBY W.Bro. C. H. CHESTER, PProv. S.G.D.  
Bro. F. SMITH, PProv. A.G.Std.B. (Warks.)

# Centennial Celebrations

## Presiding Officer

R.W. Bro. Barrie Michael Cooper, J.P.  
**Provincial Grand Master**

Assisted by

V.W. Bro. Robert E. Whitlock, **P.G.Swd.B**  
Deputy Provincial Grand Master

W.Bro. R.G.H. Goddard, **M.A., P.S.G.D.**  
Assistant Provincial Grand Master

W.Bro. D. Lewin, **M.Sc., F.S.G.D.**  
Assistant Provincial Grand Master

W.Bro. K.A. Haward, **M.A., P.J.G.D.**  
Assistant Provincial Grand Master

and

W. Bro. F. A. Milner, Provincial Senior Grand Warden

W. Bro. J. L. Vickers, Provincial Junior Grand Warden

W. Bro. Rev. J. C. Cuse, P.Prov.S.G.W. Provincial Grand Chaplain

W. Bro. M. A. Bendall, P.J.G.D. Provincial Grand Secretary

W. Bro. D. E. Hoppe, P.A.G.D.C. Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies

W. Bro. D. J. Bell, P.Prov.S.G.W. Provincial Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies

W. Bro. M.H.R. Cole, P.Prov.G.Reg. Provincial Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies

Bro. A.D. Causier Provincial Grand Organist

W. Bro. D.J. Philips, Provincial Grand Pursuivant

W. Bro. K.F. Whitehouse, Provincial Grand Tyler

with Members of the Provincial Grand Choir conducted by

W. Bro. A.T. Morris, J.P. P.Prov.J.G.W.

## ORDER OF PROCEDURE

1. The Brethren having taken their places in the Lodge, the Worshipful Master of St. Laurence Lodge, No.2724, accompanied by his Wardens, will enter the Lodge. The Opening Ode will be sung and the Lodge opened in the First Degree.
2. The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master will enter the Lodge.
3. The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master appoints the Provincial Officiating Officers.
4. The dispensation will be read.
5. The Right Worshipful Brother Barrie Michael Cooper, **J.P.**, Provincial Grand Master, will address the Brethren on the object of the Meeting and will call on the Provincial Grand Chaplain, W. Bro. Rev. J. C. Guise, PProv.S.G.W. to give

### THE OPENING PRAYER

Chant (Omnes) "So Mote it be."

6. The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master will request W. Bro. M. A. Bendall, **P.J.G.D.**, Provincial Grand Secretary, to read the Petition for the original Warrant.
7. The Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies, W. Bro. D. E. Hopper, **P.A.G.D.C.**, will present the original Warrant to the Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master who will instruct the Provincial Grand Secretary that it be read.
8. The Provincial Grand Secretary will retire from the Lodge.
9. The Worshipful Master of St. Laurence Lodge, No.2724, and the participating Brethren will retire to escort the Provincial Grand Secretary, bearing the Centenary Warrant, into the Lodge.
10. The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master will request W. Bro. M. A. Bendall, **P.J.G.D.**, Provincial Grand Secretary, to read the Centenary Warrant and will then present it to the Worshipful Master.

### HYMN "NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD"

Now thank we all our God,  
With heart, and hands, and voices,  
Who wondrous things hath done,  
In whom His world rejoices;  
Who from our Mother's arms,  
Hath blessed us on our way,  
With countless gifts of love,  
And still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God  
Through all our lives be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts  
And blessed peace to cheer us;  
And keep us in His grace,  
And guide us when perplexed,  
And free us from all ills,  
In this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God,  
The Father now be given,  
The Son, and Him who reigns,  
With them in highest heaven,  
The one eternal God,  
Whom earth and heaven adore,  
For thus it was, is now,  
And shall be evermore.

11. The Provincial Grand Chaplain will deliver an Oration, and will continue by introducing the Ceremony of the Corn, Wine, Oil and Salt, followed by the censuring of the Lodge.
12. The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master and the Provincial Grand Wardens carry the Elements of Consecration thrice round the Lodge, halting in the East after each perambulation.
13. The Provincial Grand Chaplain reads Psalm lxxii, verse 16.
14. Before the First Circuit the Brethren sing:-

When once of old in Israel,  
Our early Brethren wrought with toil,  
Jehovah's blessing on them fell,  
In showers of Corn, and Wine, and Oil.

15. The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master scatters Corn - the Symbol of Plenty and Abundance - and repeats, "scatter Corn on this Lodge as a Symbol of Plenty and Abundance. May the Blessings of Morality and Virtue increase under its auspices, producing fruit an hundredfold."
16. Musical Response:- "Glory be to God on High."
17. The Provincial Grand Chaplain reads Nehemiah Chap x, verse 39.
18. Before the Second Circuit the Brethren sing:-

When there a shrine to Him alone,  
They built, with worship sin to foil,  
On threshold and on Corner-Stone,  
They poured out Corn, and Wine, and Oil.

19. The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Mastr pours Wine - the Symbol of Joy and Cheerfulness - and repeats, "I pour Wine on this Lodge, as a Symbol of Joy and Cheerfulness. May Gladness and Rejoicing fill the hearts of its members."
20. Musical response:- "Glory he to God on High."
21. The Provincial Grand Chaplain reads Exodus Chap. xxx, verses 25 & 26.
22. Before the Third Circuit the Brethren sing:-
- And we have come fraternal bands,  
With joy and pride, and prosperous spoil,  
To honour Him by votive hands,  
With streams of Corn, and Wine, and Oil.
23. The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master pours Oil - the Symbol of Peace and Unanimity - and repeats, "I pour Oil on this Lodge, as a Symbol of Peace and Unanimity. May Peace rest and abide with its members always."
24. Musical response:- "Glory he to God on High."
25. The Worshipful Master and the participating Officers of St. Laurence Lodge, No. 2724 will assemble in the centre of the Lodge under the direction of the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies.
26. The Provincial Grand Chaplain reads Leviticus, Chap. ii, verse 13.
27. The Brethren sing
- Now o'er our work this salt we shower,  
Emblem of Thy conservant power,  
And may Thy presence, Lord we pray,  
Keep this our Temple from decay.
28. The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master sprinkles Salt - the Symbol of Hospitality, Fidelity and Friendship - and repeats, "I sprinkle Salt on this Lodge as a Symbol of Hospitality, Fidelity and Friendship. May Prosperity, Happiness and Peace attend this Lodge and its members till time shall be no more."
29. Musical response:- "Glory be to God on High."
30. The Provincial Grand Chaplain takes the Censor thrice round the Lodge and halts in the East.
31. The Provincial Grand Chaplain recites the second part o:-

THE DEDICATION PRAYER

HYMN :- "PRAISE MY SOUL, THE KING OF HEAVEN."

Praise my soul, the King of Heaven,  
To His feet thy tribute bring.  
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
Who like thee His Praise should sing?  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise Him for His grace and favour  
To our fathers in distress,  
Praise Him still the same for ever,  
Slow to chide and quick to bless.  
Alleluja! Alleluia!  
Glorious in His faithfulness.

Father-like, He tends and spares us:  
Well our feeble frame He knows;  
In His hands He gently bears us,  
Rescues us from all our foes.  
Alleluia! Alleluia  
Widely as His mercy flows.

Angels help us to adore Him;  
Ye behold Him face to face;  
Sun and moon bow down before Him,  
Dwellers all in time and space.  
Alleluia! Alleluia  
Praise with us the God of grace.

33. The Provincial Grand Chaplain will pronounce

THE PATRIARCHAL BENEDICTION

34. The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master will request the Worshipful Master of St. Laurence Lodge, No. 2724 to resume his Chair.
35. The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master will make a Presentation to Worshipful Brother W. E. Whitehouse, Past Provincial Senior Grand Warden.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

36. The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master will retire from the Lodge.
37. To close the Lodge.
38. The Closing Hymn will be sung.

# Past Masters

1899	Poppleton, G. G.	PProv.G.Std.B.	1958	Degville, W. H. S.	PProv.G.Org.
1900	Bayliss, T. A.	P.G.Std.B.	1959	Able, E.	PProv.G.D. (Jersey)
1901	Cross, G. C. J.	PProv.G.Supt.Wks.	1960	Charltonlton, G. A.	PProv.G.Reg.
1902	Hull, J.	PProv.G.W.	* 1961	Whitehouse, W. E.	PProv.S.G.W.
1903	Phelps, F. W.	PProv.G.Std.B.	1962	Smith, A. E.	PProv.G.D.
1904	Collins, E. H.	PProv.A.G.Sec.	R 1963	Heale, R. W.	PProv.G.D.
1905	Taafé, C.	PProv.G.Std.B.	* 1964	Brooker, J. L.	PProv.G.Reg.
1906	Whitehouse, J.	PProv.A.G.D.C.	* 1965	Day, H. W.	PProv.S.G.W.
1907	Jordan, Dr. B.	PProv.G.D.	1966	White, L. A.	PProv.G.S.d.B.
1908	Richards, C.	PProv.G.W. (Works)	1967	Giffiths, W. G.	PProv.G.Purs.
1909	Devey, W. S.	PProv.G.D.	1968	Wood, G. H.	PProv.S.G.W.
1910	Hudson, N. C.	PProv.G.Std.B.	1969	Williams, B. T.	PProv.G.Reg.
1911	Blackwell, A. T.	PProv.G.Std.B.	1970	Bailey, H. J.	PProv.G.Reg.
1912	Evans, R. E. L.	PProv.G.W.	* 1971	Tate, J. H.	PProv.C.Purs.
1913	Bevan, A.	PProv.A.G.Sec.	* 1972	Hayton, R. G.	PProv.I.G.W.
1914	Russell, D.	PProv.G.W.	1973	Webb, C. A. S.	
1915	Cartwright, R.C.		1974	Woollerton, J.A.E.C.	PProv.G.Reg.
1916	Davis, J.J.	PProv.G.Std.B.	1975	Tew, F.	PProv.J.G.W.
1917	Knight-Hall, H.	PProv.G.W.	1976	Robinson, G. T.	
1918	Juckles, F.	PProv.G.W.	R 1977	Galle, R. H.	PProv.G.Reg.
1919	Fothergill, E. S.	PProv.G.Reg.	R 1978	Cox, J. B.	P.A.G.D.C.
1920	Ellershaw, T.	PProv.G.Treas.	* 1979	Woollerton, P. C.	PProv.G.Reg.
1921	Crabtree, J. A.	PProv.A.G.Sec.	* 1980	Stephens, J. L.	PProv.J.G.W.
1922	James H. W.	P.A.G.Std.B.	1981	Bateman, W.	PProv.G.Std.B.
1923	Scott, W. L.		1982	Rose, W.	PProv.S.G.D.
1924	Russell, C.A.	PProv.G.Supt.Wk.	* 1983	Smith, M. A.	PProv.J.G.D.
1925	James, P. C.	P.A.G.Std.B.	* 1984	Tate, J. H.	PProv.G.Reg.
1926	Jeifries, E.	PProv.G.Reg.	* 1985	Chester, C. H.	PProv.S.G.D.
1927	Crossley, J.	PProv.G.D.	* 1986	Ashton, G. T. A.	PProv.S.G.D.
1928	Heseltine, W.R.N.	PProv.G.Std.B.	* 1987	Ashton, H.	PProv.A.G.D.C.
1929	Turner, J.	PProv.G.D.	1988	Smith, A. W.	PProv.A.G.D.C.
1930	Cross, L. C.		* 1989	Rose, J. B.	PProv.J.G.D.
1931	McKenzie, T. C.		* 1990	Hall, S. F. W.	PProv.A.G.D.C.
1932	Smith, A.	PProv.G.D.	* 1991	Mason, M. J.	PProv.A.G.Reg.
1933	Grant, A.		* 1992	Mason, M. J.	PProv.A.G.Reg.
1934	McKenzie, R.	PProv.G.D.	R 1993	Currie, J. H.	
1935	Fothergill, C. S.	PProv.G.W.	* 1994	Day, H. W.	PProv.S.G.W.
1936	Harris, J. J.	PProv.G.D.	* 1995	Rose, J. B.	PProv.J.G.D.
1937	Jones, K. P.	PProv.C.Treas.	* 1996	Hayton, R. J.	PProv.J.G.W.
1938	Tonlin, G. H.	P.A.G.D.C.	* 1997	Charlton, G. R.	
1939	Landcastle, F. C.	PProv.G.W.			
1940	Bainforth, C.	PProv.J.G.W.			
1941	Clayfield, A.	PProv.G.D.			
1942	Youngash, R. H.	PProv.G.Std.B.			
1943	Hill, W. H.	P.P.A.G.D.C.			
1944	Hearn, H. E.	P.A.G.D.C.			
1945	Nock, P.	PProv.G.D.			
1946	Hawkins, R. F.	PProv.J.G.W.			
1947	Dudley, J.	PProv.G.W.			
1948	Darby, H.	PProv.G.Supt.Wks.			
1949	Whitfield, F. E.	PProv.G.D.			
1950	Morriss, D. M.	PProv.G.D.			
1951	Brooker, L. L.	PProv.G.Purs.			
1952	Cleveland, H. M.	PProv.G.Std.B.			
1953	Yule, G. H.				
1954	Lofts, J. W.				
1955	Heynes, L. B.	P.A.G.D.C.			
1956	Hardwick, H. J.	PProv.A.G.Purs.			
1957	Eaton, E.F.	PProv.S.G.W.			