

# CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL

## SUNG EUCHARIST

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
SUNDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> APRIL 2024  
11.15AM

# WELCOME

We have been worshipping the God of Jesus Christ in this cathedral church for over 900 years. We are delighted that you are joining our community in worship today. If you would like to learn more about our life here or would like to become more closely associated with this community, we encourage you to join us for coffee after this service and make yourself known to a member of the clergy.

This booklet contains all you will need to follow the service. Please ask a Steward if you would like a large-print copy.

The celebrant at this service is The Reverend Canon Dr Daniel Inman, Precentor, and the sung Mass Setting is the *Mass in G* by Franz Schubert (1797-1828). We are delighted to welcome The Abbott Singers as our guest choir for this service.

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An induction loop is provided for the benefit of hearing aid users. To use this, please switch your hearing aid to 'T'.

Toilets and baby-changing facilities can be accessed from the North Transept of the Cathedral.

A cash collection will be taken during the hymn which follows The Peace. If you are a UK taxpayer, it would help enormously if you would place your donation in a Gift Aid envelope (available from the Stewards) before putting it in the collection, which will enable us to reclaim an additional 25% of your donation from HMRC.

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# BLESSED BY YOUR GIFTS

*A call for support ahead of the Cathedral's 950<sup>th</sup> anniversary*

The past few years have not been without their challenges: the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic; the cost-of-living crisis; and the significant increase in operational costs, to name but a few. We want to be transparent with you and share details around the trials and prospects that now face us – details can be found in a separate booklet.

Reflecting upon our history, we have noted how – in successive generations and in the aftermath of national and local crises – individuals have renewed the Cathedral's life through selfless acts of service and through generous giving. In each period, the hopeful message of Resurrection – of the unconquerable and transformative power of God's love – has been at the heart of our vision, with the Cathedral as a beacon for this good news at the heart of the city and diocese.

This has encouraged us to reflect, with hope, upon our purpose in this generation. Rooted in our Vision (which we presented in 2022/3) and looking towards 2025 (the year in which we mark 950 years since the decision was made to establish a cathedral in Chichester, relocating the seat of the diocese from the town of Selsey) and beyond, we ask you to consider extending your support for the Cathedral's renewal:

**1) Through making a donation** – We ask for our congregation to make a gift through the Parish Giving Scheme – a simple and secure way for churches to receive gifts by Direct Debit, Credit and Debit Cards, Apple and Google Pay methods. As we approach 2025, you may wish to consider increasing your donation to £9.50 a week.

*Online* – Search for ‘Chichester Cathedral’ at **parishgiving.org.uk**

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*By post* – Collect an application form from the Visitors’ Desk or the Vergers’ Office.

**2) Through your time and talents** – As a volunteer, you might consider contributing your time (as little or as much as you wish), passion and expertise to preserving our cultural and sacred heritage. Whether guiding visitors, helping keep the Cathedral clean or assisting in the liturgy, every effort nurtures a sense of unity and shared responsibility. In the year ahead, and mindful of our 950<sup>th</sup> anniversary, this might mean aiming to volunteer 95 hours of your time within the year. To find out more about becoming a Cathedral Volunteer, email **carolyn.atkinson@chichestercathedral.org.uk** or call **01243 81298**.

**3) Through your prayers** – We invite you to join us in prayer, as we seek to grow our resource and ability to fulfil God’s mission here, ahead of our 950<sup>th</sup> anniversary:

*Gracious and generous God,*

*all things come from you and of your own do we give you.*

*Blessed by your gifts, deepen our desire*

*to advance the purposes of your kingdom here*

*in self-giving love and generosity.*

*We ask in the name of our Risen Lord, Jesus Christ.*

*Amen.*

# ORDER OF SERVICE

## THE GATHERING

*Please stand as the procession enters.*

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN



Thy hand, O God, has guided  
thy flock, from age to age;  
the wondrous tale is written,  
full clear, on every page;  
our fathers owned thy goodness,  
and we their deeds record;  
and both of this bear witness:  
one church, one faith, one Lord.

Thy heralds brought glad tidings  
to greatest, as to least;  
they bade men rise, and hasten  
to share the great King's feast;  
and this was all their teaching,  
in every deed and word,  
to all alike proclaiming  
one church, one faith, one Lord.

Through many a day of darkness,  
through many a scene of strife,  
the faithful few fought bravely,  
to guard the nation's life.  
Their gospel of redemption,  
sin pardoned, man restored,  
was all in this enfolded:  
one church, one faith, one Lord.

Thy mercy will not fail us,  
nor leave thy work undone;  
with thy right hand to help us,  
the victory shall be won;  
and then, by men and angels,  
thy name shall be adored,  
and this shall be their anthem:  
one church, one faith, one Lord.

## THE GREETING

*The president says*

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.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.  
**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

## PRAYER OF PREPARATION

**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.**



## PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

*Deacon:*

Christ our passover lamb has been sacrificed for us.  
Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil  
and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

**Almighty God,  
our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry 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 grant that we may serve you in newness of life  
to the glory of your name.  
Amen.**

*The president pronounces the Absolution:*

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

*The choir sings*

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

Gloria in excelsis Deo  
et in terra pax  
hominibus bonae voluntatis.  
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,  
adoramus te, glorificamus te,  
gratias agimus tibi  
propter magnam gloriam tuam,  
Domine Deus, rex caelestis,  
Deus Pater omnipotens.  
Domine Fili unigenite,  
Jesu Christe,  
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,  
Filius Patris,  
qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis;  
qui tollis peccata mundi,  
suscipe deprecationem nostram.  
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,  
miserere nobis.  
Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,  
tu solus Dominus,  
tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe,  
cum Sancto Spiritu:  
in gloria Dei Patris.  
Amen.

*Glory be to God on high,  
and in earth peace,  
goodwill towards men.  
We praise thee, we bless thee,  
we worship thee, we glorify thee,  
we give thanks to thee  
for thy great glory,  
O Lord God, heavenly King,  
God the Father Almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son,  
Jesu Christ:  
O Lord God, Lamb of God,  
Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sins of  
the world, receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of  
God the Father, have mercy upon us.  
For thou only art holy;  
thou only art the Lord;  
thou only, O Christ,  
with the Holy Ghost, art Most High,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.*

## THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

Almighty God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life:  
raise us, who trust in him,  
from the death of sin to the life of righteousness,  
that we may seek those things which are above,  
where he reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

*Please sit.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### THE FIRST READING

The Jewish rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom

God raised from the dead. This Jesus is “the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.” There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.’

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Acts 4: 5-12*

*Please stand.*

## HYMN



**The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;  
he makes me down to lie  
in pastures green; he leadeth me  
the quiet waters by.**

**My soul he doth restore again,  
and me to walk doth make  
within the paths of righteousness,  
e'en for his own name's sake.**

**Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,  
yet will I fear no ill:  
for thou art with me, and thy rod  
and staff me comfort still.**

**My table thou hast furnishèd  
in presence of my foes;  
my head thou dost with oil anoint,  
and my cup overflows.**

**Goodness and mercy all my life  
shall surely follow me;  
and in God's house for evermore  
my dwelling-place shall be.**

*NEH 459*

*Psalm 23*

*Scottish Psalter (1650)*

*Crimond*

*Melody by Jessie Irvine (1836-1887)*

*Harmony by T. C. L. Pritchard (1885-1960)*

## THE GOSPEL READING

*Please remain standing. The choir leads the Gospel Acclamation:*



Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one;  
I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*When the Gospel is announced, the reader says*

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to the Pharisees: ‘The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly. I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away – and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.’

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

*John 10: 10-18*

*Please remain standing until the Sermon has been introduced.*

## SERMON

*The Reverend Canon Simon Holland  
Interim Dean*

## THE NICENE CREED

*Please stand.*

**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.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Please sit or stand. These responses are used:*

Lord, in your mercy      *or*      Lord, hear us.  
**hear our prayer.**                      **Lord, graciously hear us.**

*And at the end:*

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



# THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

## THE PEACE

*Please stand.*

Alleluia. Christ has been raised from the dead.

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

*Deacon:* Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

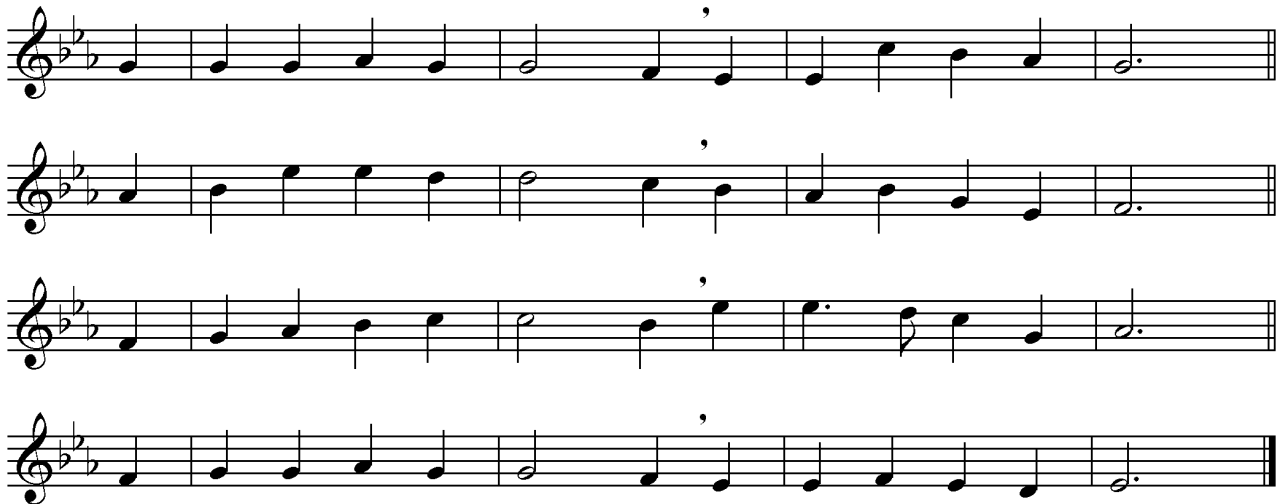
*All may exchange a sign of peace.*

## HYMN

*As we sing, the bread and wine are brought to the altar, and a collection is taken.*

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**The Church's one foundation  
is Jesus Christ, her Lord;  
she is his new creation  
by water and the word:  
from heaven he came and sought her  
to be his holy Bride,  
with his own blood he bought her,  
and for her life he died.**

Elect from every nation,  
yet one o'er all the earth,  
her charter of salvation  
one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
one holy name she blesses,  
partakes one holy food,  
and to one hope she presses  
with every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder  
we see her sore opprest,  
by schisms rent asunder,  
by heresies distrest,  
yet saints their watch are keeping,  
their cry goes up, 'How long?'  
and soon the night of weeping  
shall be the morn of song.

'Mid toil, and tribulation,  
and tumult of her war,  
she waits the consummation  
of peace for evermore;  
till with the vision glorious  
her longing eyes are blest,  
and the great Church victorious  
shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union  
with God the Three in One,  
and mystic sweet communion  
with those whose rest is won:  
O happy ones and holy!  
Lord, give us grace that we  
like them, the meek and lowly,  
on high may dwell with thee.

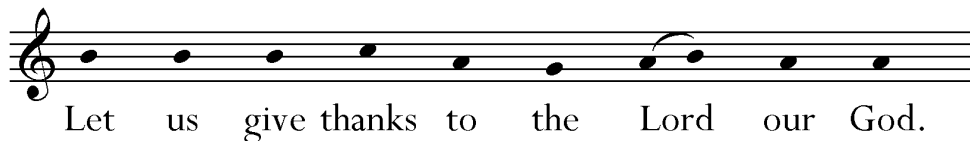
NEH 484

Samuel Stone (1839-1900)

Aurelia

Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)

## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
almighty and eternal Father,  
and in these days of Easter to celebrate with joyful hearts  
the memory of your wonderful works.  
For by the mystery of his passion  
Jesus Christ, your risen Son,  
has conquered the powers of death and hell  
and restored in men and women the image of your glory.  
He has placed them once more in paradise  
and opened to them the gate of life eternal.  
And so, in the joy of this Passover,  
earth and heaven resound with gladness,  
while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation  
sing for ever the hymn of your glory.

*The choir sings*

## SANCTUS

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus	<i>Holy, holy, holy,</i>
Dominus Deus Sabaoth,	<i>Lord God of hosts,</i>
pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.	<i>heaven and earth are full of thy glory.</i>
Hosanna in excelsis.	<i>Hosanna in the highest.</i>

*The Eucharistic Prayer continues:*

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.

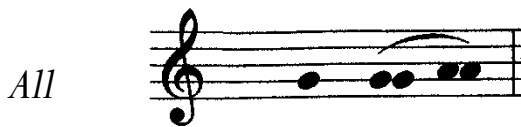
*Deacon:* Praise to you, Lord Jesus:  
**Dying you destroyed our death,  
rising you restored our life:  
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

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 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.



**A - men.**

*You are invited either to sit or remain standing.*

## 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.**

## BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*The president breaks the consecrated 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.**



## GIVING OF COMMUNION

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.  
**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*The president and people receive communion. Please sit until directed by the Stewards.*

*Members of all Christian churches are welcome to receive communion if they wish. Please indicate if you wish to receive a gluten-free wafer. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please come to the communion station and bow your head.*

*During communion, the choir sings*

## AGNUS DEI

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:  
miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:  
miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:  
dona nobis pacem.

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.*

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.*

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
grant us thy peace.*

## THE MOTET

Verbe, égal au Très-Haut, notre unique espérance,  
Jour éternel de la terre et des cieux;  
de la paisible nuit nous rompons le silence,  
divin Sauveur, jette sur nous les yeux!

*O Word, equal of the Most High, our sole hope,  
eternal Day of earth and the heavens,  
we break the silence of the peaceful night,  
divine Saviour, cast thine eyes upon us!*

Répands sur nous le feu de ta grâce puissante,  
que tout l'enfer fuie au son de ta voix;  
dissipe le sommeil d'une âme languissante,  
qui la conduit à l'oubli de tes lois!

*Shed the light of thy mighty grace upon us,  
let all hell flee at the sound of thy voice;  
dispel the slumber of a languishing soul,  
that leads it to the forgetting of thy laws!*

O Christ, sois favorable à ce peuple fidèle  
pour te bénir maintenant rassemblé.  
Reçois les chants qu'il offre à ta gloire immortelle,  
et de tes dons qu'il retourne comblé!

*O Christ, be favourable unto this faithful people  
now gathered to bless thee.  
Receive the hymns it offers unto thine immortal glory  
and may it return laden with thy gifts.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

*Please stand.*

Merciful Father,  
you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd,  
and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:  
keep us always under his protection,  
and give us grace to follow in his steps;  
through 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.**

# THE SENDING OUT

## HYMN



Rejoice, the Lord is King,  
your Lord and King adore;  
mortals, give thanks and sing,  
and triumph evermore:

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*

Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,  
the God of truth and love;  
when he had purged our stains,  
he took his seat above:

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*

His kingdom cannot fail;  
he rules o'er earth and heaven;  
the keys of death and hell  
are to our Jesus given:

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*

**He sits at God's right hand  
till all his foes submit,  
and bow to his command,  
and fall beneath his feet:**

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*

NEH 443

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Gospel

Melody and bass by  
George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

## THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

*The president says*

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

The God of peace,  
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,  
that great shepherd of the sheep,  
through the blood of the eternal covenant,  
make you perfect in every good work to do his will,  
working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

*Deacon:* Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## CLOSING MUSIC

TOCCATA AND FUGUE IN D MINOR  
BWV 565

*Johann Sebastian Bach*  
(1685-1750)

*Please remain standing as the procession departs, and then sit for a period of quiet contemplation as the organ voluntary is played.*

*All are invited to join us for coffee in the South Transept after this service, where there will be the opportunity to meet our clergy and other members of our community.*