

SUNG EUCHARIST

ATTENDED BY THE MAYOR OF CHICHESTER

AND MEMBERS OF CHICHESTER CITY COUNCIL

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
SUNDAY 13TH OCTOBER 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 Dean, The Very Reverend Dr Edward Dowler, and the sung Mass Setting is the *Missa Sancti Johannes* by Brian Chapple (b. 1945).

We are delighted to welcome The Mayor of Chichester, Cllr Sarah Quail, together with members of Chichester City Council, who are joining us for this morning's service.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

At 11.10am, please stand for the entrance of the Mayoral party, and then sit for the Welcome.

THE GATHERING

Please stand as the procession enters.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN



God, we praise you, God, we bless you!
God, we name you sovereign Lord!
Mighty King whom angels worship,
Father, by your church adored:
all creation shows your glory,
heaven and earth draw near your throne,
singing, 'Holy, holy,
Lord of hosts, and God alone!'

True apostles, faithful prophets, saints who set their world ablaze, martyrs, once unknown, unheeded, join one growing song of praise, while your church on earth confesses one majestic Trinity:
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, God, our hope eternally.

Jesus Christ, the King of glory, everlasting Son of God, humble was your virgin mother, hard the lonely path you trod. By your cross is sin defeated, hell confronted face to face, heaven opened to believers, sinners justified by grace.

Christ, at God's right hand victorious, you will judge the world you made; Lord, in mercy help your servants for whose freedom you have paid. Raise us up from dust to glory, guard us from all sin today; King enthroned above all praises, save your people, God, we pray!

Common Praise 450 Christopher M. Idle (b. 1938) from Te Deum laudamus

Rustington C. Hubert H. Parry (1848-1918)

THE GREETING

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.

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 calls us to share the heavenly banquet of his love with all the saints in earth and heaven.

Knowing our unworthiness and sin, let us ask from him both mercy and forgiveness.

Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
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

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

God, the giver of life, whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church: by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ and make us eager to do your will, that we may share with the whole creation the joys of eternal life; 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.

Please sit.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Read by The Mayor of Chichester, Cllr Sarah Quail

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathise with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hebrews 4: 12-end

HYMN



When all thy mercies, O my God, my rising soul surveys, transported with the view, I'm lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Unnumbered comforts to my soul thy tender care bestowed, before my infant heart conceived from whom those comforts flowed.

When in the slippery paths of youth with heedless steps I ran, thine arm unseen conveyed me safe, and led me up to man.

When worn with sickness oft hast thou with health renewed my face; and when in sins and sorrows sunk, revived my soul with grace.

Through every period of my life thy goodness I'll pursue, and after death in distant worlds the glorious theme renew.

Through all eternity to thee, a joyful song I'll raise; for O, eternity's too short to utter all thy praise.

NEH 472 Joseph Addison (1672-1719)

Contemplation Frederick A. Gore Ouseley (1825-1889)

THE GOSPEL READING

Please remain standing. The choir leads the Gospel Acclamation:



Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening. You have the words of eternal life.

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 Matthew. Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Matthew 13: 44-46

Please remain standing until the Sermon has been introduced.

SERMON

Bishop Dorothea Greiner Regional Bishop of Bayreuth

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.

To crown all things there must be love, to bind all together and complete the whole. Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

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

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

When exchanging the Peace, please be mindful and respectful of others' personal boundaries.

THE OFFERTORY HYMN

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Just as I am, without one plea but that thy blood was shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt, fightings within, and fears without, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; sight, riches, healing of the mind, yea all I need, in thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve: because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am (thy love unknown has broken every barrier down), now to be thine, yea thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, of that free love the breadth, length, depth and height to prove, here for a season, then above, O Lamb of God, I come.

NEH 294 Charlotte Elliott (1789-1871)

Saffron Walden Arthur Henry Brown (1830-1926)

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise, holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

For he is your living Word; through him you have created all things from the beginning, and formed us in your own image.

Through him you have freed us from the slavery of sin, giving him to be born of a woman and to die upon the cross; you raised him from the dead and exalted him to your right hand on high.

Through him you have sent upon us your holy and life-giving Spirit, and made us a people for your own possession.

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:

The choir sings

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The Eucharistic Prayer continues:

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood;

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.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Deacon: Great is the mystery of faith:

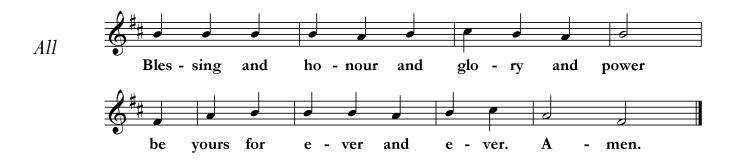
Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:



Please 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

Behold 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.

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. After you have received communion, please try to maintain a prayerful silence.

During communion, the choir sings

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

THE MOTET

Author of life divine, who hast a table spread, furnished with mystic wine and everlasting bread, preserve the life thyself hast given, and feed and train us up for heaven.

Our needy souls sustain with fresh supplies of love, till all thy life we gain, and all thy fullness prove, and strengthened with thy perfect grace, behold without a veil thy face.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Harold East (b. 1947)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Please stand.

God our Father,
whose Son, the light unfailing,
has come from heaven to deliver the world
from the darkness of ignorance:
let these holy mysteries open the eyes of our understanding
that we may know the way of life,
and walk in it without stumbling;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out
in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen.

THE SENDING OUT

HYMN



O for a closer walk with God, a calm and heavenly frame; a light to shine upon the road that leads me to the Lamb!

Return, O holy Dove, return, sweet messenger of rest;
I hate the sins that made thee mourn, and drove thee from my breast.

The dearest idol I have known, whate'er that idol be, help me to tear it from thy throne, and worship only thee.

So shall my walk be close with God, calm and serene my frame; so purer light shall mark the road that leads me to the Lamb.

NEH 414 William Cowper (1731-1800)

Caithness
Melody from the Scottish Psalter (1635)

NOTICES

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The Lord be with you and also with you.

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; 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.

Thanks be to God.

CLOSING MUSIC

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Dieterich Buxtehude (c. 1637-1707)

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

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.

