

CHICHESTER
CATHEDRAL

SUNG EUCHARIST

WITH THE ADMISSION OF A CHORISTER

ROGATION SUNDAY
SUNDAY 5TH MAY 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 Vanessa Baron, Treasurer, and the sung Mass Setting is the *Missa "Trahe me post te"* by Tomás Luis de Victoria (c. 1548-1611).

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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'.

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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 950th 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**

By phone – Call **0333 002 1271**, Monday to Friday (9.00am–5.00pm)

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 950th 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 950th 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



Come, ye faithful, raise the anthem,
cleave the skies with shouts of praise;
sing to him who found the ransom,
Ancient of eternal days,
God eternal, Word incarnate,
whom the heaven of heaven obeys.

Ere he raised the lofty mountains,
formed the sea, or built the sky,
love eternal, free, and boundless,
forced the Lord of life to die,
lifted up the Prince of princes
on the throne of Calvary.

Now on those eternal mountains
stands the sapphire throne, all bright,
with the ceaseless alleluias
which they raise, the sons of light;
Sion's people tell his praises,
victor after hard-won fight.

Bring your harps, and bring your incense,
sweep the string and pour the lay;
let the earth proclaim his wonders,
King of that celestial day;
he the Lamb once slain is worthy,
who was dead, and lives for ay.

Laud and honour to the Father,
laud and honour to the Son,
laud and honour to the Spirit,
ever Three and ever One,
One in love, and One in splendour,
while unending ages run. Amen.

NEH 351
Job Hupton (1762-1849)
and J. M. Neale (1818-1866)

Neander
Joachim Neander (1650-1680)

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:

Let us ask God to have mercy on our tired land,
and to prosper the work of our soiled hands.
Let us ask God to forgive our delusion of self-sufficiency
so that we may praise him for his provision and goodness.

**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 will it is that the earth and the sea
should bear fruit in due season:
bless the labours of those who work on land and sea,
grant us a good harvest
and the grace always to rejoice in your fatherly care;
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.

Please sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

The Lord says this: Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Isaiah 55: 1-11

Please stand.

HYMN



**Jesu, thou joy of loving hearts,
thou fount of life, thou light of men,
from the best bliss that earth imparts
we turn unfilled to thee again.**

**Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood,
thou savest those that on thee call,
to them that seek thee thou art good,
to them that find thee, all in all.**

We taste thee, O thou living bread,
and long to feast upon thee still;
we drink of thee, the fountain-head,
and thirst our souls from thee to fill.

Our restless spirits yearn for thee,
where'er our changeful lot is cast,
glad when thy gracious smile we see,
blest when our faith can hold thee fast.

O Jesu, ever with us stay,
make all our moments calm and bright;
chase the dark night of sin away,
shed o'er the world thy holy light.

NEH 292

12th-century Latin

tr. Ray Palmer (1808-1887)

Eisenach

Melody by J. H. Schein (1586-1630)

THE GOSPEL READING

Please remain standing. The choir leads the Gospel Acclamation:



Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

‘Ask and you will receive,’ says the Lord,
‘so that your joy may be complete.’

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 his disciples: ‘As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

‘This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.’

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

John 15: 9-17

Please remain standing until the Sermon has been introduced.

SERMON

*The Venerable Martin Lloyd-Williams
Archdeacon of Brighton and Lewes*

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 ADMISSION OF A CHORISTER

Please sit. The Organist and Master of the Choristers presents the probationer to be admitted into the choir to the Interim Dean, who addresses them:

Do you wish to be admitted as a chorister of this Cathedral Church?

Probationer: I do.

Do you promise to work hard, be helpful to your fellow choristers, and show respect to all those who have responsibility for you in the Cathedral?

Probationer: I do.

I admit you as a chorister of this Cathedral Church
in the name of the Father
and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

The new chorister is vested in their surplice and presented with a Bible.

The Interim Dean prays

Almighty God,
whom saints and angels delight to worship in heaven,
surround with your love this chorister
as they make music and offer you songs of praise in this Cathedral.
May your Holy Spirit inspire them
and give them gifts with which to serve you,
and may the beauty of music lead them to the joy of your kingdom
and the vision of your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Bless, O Lord, this your servant
and grant that what they sing with their lips
they may believe in their hearts,
and what they believe in their hearts
they may show forth in their lives,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

May the Lord bless you and keep you;
may the Lord make his face shine upon you
and be gracious to you;
may the Lord look kindly on you and give you peace;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be with you always.

Amen.

The new chorister is greeted with applause.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

THE PEACE

Please stand.

By prayer and supplication with thanksgiving,
let your requests be made known to God.
And the peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

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

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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**For the beauty of the earth,
for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies:**

*Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.*

**For the beauty of each hour,
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower,
sun and moon and stars of light:**

*Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.*

For the joy of ear and eye,
for the heart and brain's delight,
for the mystic harmony
linking sense to sound and sight:
*Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.*

For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth and friends above,
for all gentle thoughts and mild:
*Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.*

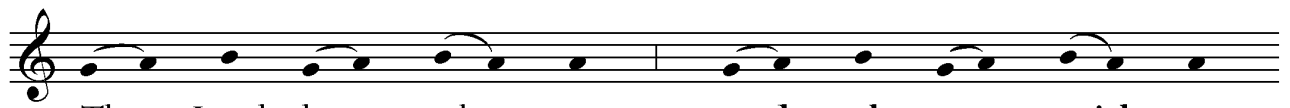
For each perfect gift of thine,
to our race so freely given,
graces human and divine,
flowers of earth and buds of heaven:
*Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.*

For thy Church that evermore
lifteth holy hands above,
offering up on every shore
this pure sacrifice of love:
*Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.*

NEH 285
F. S. Pierpoint (1835-1917)

England's Lane
Geoffrey Shaw (1879-1943)
Adapted from a folk song

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



The_ Lord be_ with you *All* and al - so_ with you.



Lift___ up your hearts._ *All* We lift them to_ the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



All It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and good
to give you thanks and praise,
almighty God and Father,
through Jesus Christ your Son.
Through him you have created us in your own image,
and made us stewards of your good creation.
Through him you teach us to exult in the birds of the air,
the lilies of the field,
the precious and life-giving crops of the earth.
Through him you free us from the slavery of sin,
giving him to die upon the cross
and to rise again for our salvation.
Through him, you begin your work of new creation,
as we look for a new heaven and a new earth
in which your righteousness dwells.
Therefore, we join with angels and archangels,
and give voice to every creature under heaven,
for ever praising you and singing:

The choir sings

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

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>
Benedictus qui venit	<i>Blessed is he that cometh</i>
in nomine Domini.	<i>in the name of the Lord.</i>
Hosanna in excelsis.	<i>Hosanna in the highest.</i>

The Eucharistic Prayer continues:

We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command,
send your Holy Spirit,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he praised you.
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:
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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

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

Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
for ever and ever.

All



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

O Domine Jesu Christe,
adoro te in cruce vulneratum,
felle et aceto potatum:
deprecor te ut tua vulnera morsque tua sit vita mea.

*O Lord Jesus Christ,
I worship you, who were wounded on the cross,
and given gall and vinegar to drink:
I pray that your wounds and your death may give me life.*

Attrib. Pope Gregory I (c. 540-604)

Tomás Luis de Victoria (c. 1548-1611)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Please stand.

God our creator,
you give seed for us to sow and bread for us to eat:
as you have blessed the fruit of our labour in this eucharist,
so we ask you to give all your children their daily bread,
that the world may praise you for your goodness;
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



Judge eternal, throned in splendour,
Lord of lords and King of kings,
with thy living fire of judgement
purge this realm of bitter things:
solace all its wide dominion
with the healing of thy wings.

Still the weary folk are pining
for the hour that brings release:
and the city's crowded clangour
cries aloud for sin to cease;
and the homesteads and the woodlands
plead in silence for their peace.

Crown, O God, thine own endeavour;
cleave our darkness with thy sword;
feed the faithless and the hungry
with the richness of thy word:
cleanse the body of this nation
through the glory of the Lord.

NEH 490
Henry Scott Holland (1847-1918)

Rhuddlan
Melody in Edward Jones'
Musical Relicks of Welsh Bards (1800)

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The president says

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

May God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who is the source of all goodness and growth,
pour his blessing upon all things created,
and upon you his children,
that you may use his gifts to his glory
and the welfare of all peoples;
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

FUGUE IN C BWV 545ii

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.

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