

CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL

SUNG EUCHARIST

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
SUNDAY 28TH 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 Simon Holland, Interim Dean, and the sung Mass Setting is the *Missa Sancti Johannes* by Brian Chapple (b. 1945).

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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



A - men.

Christ is made the sure foundation,
and the precious corner-stone,
who, the two walls underlying,
bound in each, binds both in one,
holy Sion's help for ever,
and her confidence alone.

All that dedicated city,
dearly loved by God on high,
in exultant jubilation
pours perpetual melody,
God the One, in Threefold glory,
singing everlastingly.

To this temple, where we call thee,
come, O Lord of hosts, today;
with thy wonted loving-kindness,
hear thy people as they pray;
and thy fullest benediction
shed within its walls for ay.

Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
gifts of grace by prayer to gain;
here to have and hold for ever,
those good things their prayers obtain,
and hereafter, in thy glory,
with thy blessed ones to reign.

Laud and honour to the Father,
laud and honour to the Son,
laud and honour to the Spirit,
ever Three, and ever One,
consubstantial, co-eternal,
while unending ages run. Amen.

NEH 205
c. 7th-century Latin
tr. J. M. Neale (1818-1866)

Westminster Abbey
Adapted from the Alleluias
in O God, thou art my God
Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

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:

In baptism we died with Christ,
so that as Christ was raised from the dead,
we might walk in newness of life.
Let us receive new life in him
as we confess our sins in penitence and faith.

**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.

Almighty God,
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
have overcome death
and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going before us
you put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help
we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen 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 whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. There was a Levite, a native of Cyprus, Joseph, to whom the apostles gave the name Barnabas (which means 'son of encouragement'). He sold a field that belonged to him, then brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Acts 4: 32-37

Please stand.

HYMN



Jesus, Lord, we look to thee,
let us in thy name agree:
show thyself the Prince of peace;
bid all strife for ever cease.

Make us of one heart and mind,
courteous, pitiful, and kind,
lowly, meek in thought and word,
altogether like our Lord.

Let us for each other care,
each the other's burden bear;
to thy church the pattern give,
show how true believers live.

Free from anger and from pride,
let us thus in God abide;
all the depths of love express,
all the heights of holiness.

Common Praise 489
Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Vienna
J. H. Knecht (1752-1817)

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 Luke.
Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the disciples, ‘There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, “What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.” Then the manager said to himself, “What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.” So, summoning his master’s

debtors one by one, he asked the first, “How much do you owe my master?” He answered, “A hundred jugs of olive oil.” He said to him, “Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.” Then he asked another, “And how much do you owe?” He replied, “A hundred containers of wheat.” He said to him, “Take your bill and make it eighty.” And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

‘Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Luke 16: 1-13

Please remain standing until the Sermon has been introduced.

SERMON

The Reverend Canon Dr Jack Dunn

Chancellor

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.

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples
and said, 'Peace be with you.'
Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

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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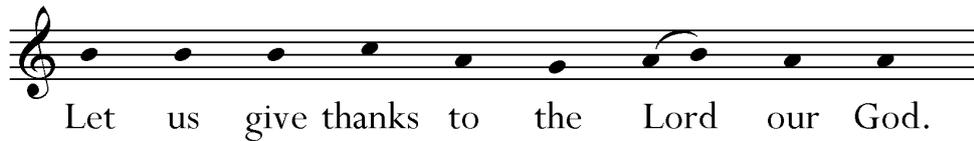
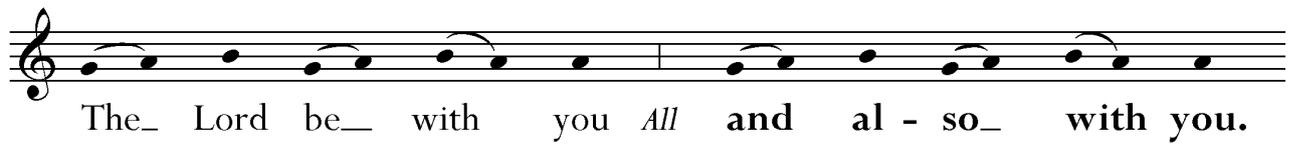
**Alleluia, sing to Jesus,
his the sceptre, his the throne;
alleluia, his the triumph,
his the victory alone:
hark the songs of peaceful Sion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus, out of every nation,
hath redeemed us by his blood.**

Alleluia, not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
alleluia, he is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how;
though the cloud from sight received him
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise,
'I am with you evermore'?

Alleluia, Bread of Angels,
thou on earth our food, our stay;
alleluia, here the sinful
flee to thee from day to day;
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia, King eternal,
thee the Lord of lords we own;
alleluia, born of Mary,
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:
thou within the veil hast entered,
robed in flesh, our great High Priest;
thou on earth both Priest and Victim
in the Eucharistic Feast.

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

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:

All

Bles - sing and ho - nour and glo - ry and power
be yours for e - ver and e - ver. A - men.

The musical notation consists of two staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the words "Bles - sing and ho - nour and glo - ry and power". The second staff contains the melody for the words "be yours for e - ver and e - ver. A - men." The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes.

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

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

O salutaris Hostia,
quae caeli pandis ostium:
bella premunt hostilia,
da robur, fer auxilium.

*O saving Victim, opening wide
the gate of heaven to man below:
our foes press hard on every side;
thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.*

Uni trinoque Domino
sit sempiterna gloria:
qui vitam sine termino
nobis donet in patria. Amen.

*All praise and thanks to thee ascend
for evermore, blest One in Three:
O grant us life that shall not end
in our true native land with thee. Amen.*

*Hymn for the Feast of Corpus Christi
Thomas Aquinas (1227-1274)*

Jehan Alain (1911-1940)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Please stand.

Eternal God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life:
grant us to walk in his way,
to rejoice in his truth,
and to share his risen life;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.
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



Lord, you give the great commission:
‘Heal the sick and preach the word.’
Lest the Church neglect its mission,
and the gospel go unheard,
help us witness to your purpose
with renewed integrity;
with the Spirit’s gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.

Lord, you call us to your service:
‘In my name baptize and teach.’
That the world may trust your promise,
life abundant meant for each,
give us all new fervor, draw us
closer in community;
with the Spirit’s gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.

Lord, you make the common holy:
‘This my body, this my blood.’
Let us all, for earth’s true glory,
daily lift life heavenward,
asking that the world around us
share your children’s liberty;
with the Spirit’s gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.

Lord, you show us love’s true measure:
‘Father, what they do, forgive.’
Yet we hoard as private treasure
all that you so freely give.
May your care and mercy lead us
to a just society;
with the Spirit’s gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.

Lord, you bless with words assuring:
‘I am with you to the end.’
Faith and hope and love restoring,
may we serve as you intend,
and, amid the cares that claim us,
hold in mind eternity;
with the Spirit’s gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.

Sing Praise 162
Jeffrey W. Rowthorn (b. 1934)

Abbot’s Leigh
Cyril Taylor (1907-1991)

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

PRAELUDIUM IN D *BuxWV 139* *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 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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