



CHESTER
CATHEDRAL

Cathedral Eucharist

Trinity 21

20th October 2024
10.00am

President:
The Very Revd Dr Tim Stratford

Preacher:
The Revd Canon Richard Walker

WELCOME

We welcome you to Chester Cathedral!
It is a place where the mission of the church to proclaim God's love is central, and your welcome presence here for worship helps to strengthen this vital act of witness.

We're a paperless Cathedral and are working environmentally to save paper. The service can be downloaded to your device using the QR code at the back of the nave, or by visiting [Services - Chester Cathedral](#). Hymns, readings and responses will be presented on the screens.

Music

Communion setting

Communion Service in C & F

C V Stanford 1852-1924

Gradual

Psalm 91:9-end

Motet

Os justi

Anton Bruckner 1824-96

Voluntary

Alla Marcia

John Ireland 1879-1962

Throughout the service, where indicated, please only stand if you feel able to do so.

We would be grateful if you could leave the Cathedral quickly after the service as the Legal Service follows at 11.30am.

Children

If you have children with you, they are welcome to take part in Sunday groups: please ask any sidesperson for directions.

Receiving Communion

We warmly invite Christians of all denominations to come and receive bread and wine at the distribution of Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available; please indicate to the priest if you require one. If you prefer not to receive you are invited either to come forward for a blessing or to remain in your seat.

We are offering the chalice to every communicant at all communion stations.

Please do not intinct (dip) the wafer yourself. If you prefer only to receive the wafer, then please do so.

COLLECTION

The Cathedral costs around £6000 a day to keep open, and we need your support.

We invite you to generously give to ensure our future:

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A sidesperson can help you with this.

Via the Cathedral Website

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We need your help to make sure that services like this one can continue and that we can keep the doors open for everyone.

Thank you for your generous contributions.

THE GATHERING

Please stand, if able, to sing the hymn.

Opening hymn

Awake, awake: fling off the night!
For God has sent his glorious light;
and we who live in Christ's new day
must works of darkness put away.

Awake and rise, in Christ renewed,
and with the Spirit's pow'r endued.
The light of life in us must glow,
and fruits of truth and goodness show.

Let in the light; all sin expose
to Christ, whose life no darkness knows.
Before his cross for guidance kneel;
his light will judge and, judging, heal.

Awake, and rise up from the dead,
and Christ his light on you will shed.
Its pow'r will wrong desires destroy,
and your whole nature fill with joy.

Then sing for joy, and use each day;
give thanks for everything alway.
Lift up your hearts; with one accord
praise God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*John Raphael Peacey 1896-1971
based on Ephesians 5:6-20*

*DEUS TUORUM MILITUM
Melody from 'Grenoble Antiphoner' 1753*

Greeting

The President says

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you
and also with you.

Informal words of welcome may be added.

Opening sentences

Through Christ let us offer
our sacrifice of praise to God.
Let our lips proclaim his praise.

cf Hebrews 13.15

Children's prayer

*The President prays for the children and young
people as they go to their Sunday groups.*

Prayers of Penitence

Please be seated. The Deacon says

Brothers and sisters,
as we prepare to celebrate,
let us call to mind our sins.

We say together

**God of mercy, we acknowledge
that we are all sinners.**

**We turn from the wrong
that we have thought
and said and done,
and are mindful of all
that we have failed to do.
For the sake of Jesus,
who died for us,
forgive us for all that is past,
and help us to live each day
in the light of Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Kyrie

The choir sings

Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Absolution

The President says

**May God our Father forgive us our sins,
and bring us to the fellowship of his table
with his saints for ever.
Amen.**

Please stand, as the choir sings.

Gloria in excelsis

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace,
good will 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 the Most High,
in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

Collect

The President says

Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech you, merciful Lord,
to your faithful people pardon and peace,
that they may be cleansed
from all their sins
and serve you with a quiet mind;
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 be seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

New Testament reading

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honour, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,
‘You are my Son,
today I have begotten you’;
as he says also in another place,
‘You are a priest for ever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.’

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save

him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Hebrews 5:1-10

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual: Psalm 91:9-end

For thou, Lord, art my hope : thou hast set
thine house of defence very high.

There shall no evil happen unto thee :
neither shall any plague come nigh thy
dwelling.

For he shall give his angels charge over
thee : to keep thee in all thy ways.

They shall bear thee in their hands :
that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone.

Thou shalt go upon the lion and adder :
the young lion and the dragon shalt thou
tread under thy feet.

Because he hath set his love upon me,
therefore will I deliver him : I will set him
up, because he hath known my Name.

He shall call upon me, and I will hear him :
yea, I am with him in trouble; I will deliver
him, and bring him to honour.

With long life will I satisfy him : and shew
him my salvation.

Please stand for the Gospel procession.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

I Samuel 3.9; John 6.68

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.'

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be

served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

Mark 10:35-45

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

After the gospel procession has returned to the altar, and after the preacher's opening prayer, please be seated.

Sermon

The Revd Canon Richard Walker

After the sermon, a brief period of silence is kept. Please stand, if you are able.

Affirmation of Faith

Let us declare our faith in God.

We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Please be seated.

In the power of the Spirit, and in union
with Christ, let us pray to the Father.

*After each petition, the following response
may be used*

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

At the end

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Peace

Please stand. The President says

God has called us to live in peace.

cf 1 Corinthians 7.17

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

The Deacon says

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn

God of love, you freely give us
blessings more than we deserve;
be our light in times of darkness,
be our strength when fears unnerve.
In this age when proof convinces,
help us see where wisdom lies;
more enduring than persuasion
is your truth which never dies.

Son incarnate, yours the presence
which can heal an aching heart;
over death you reign triumphant,
you alone new life impart.
From your birth so long awaited,
to the cross on Calvary,
you will serve as our example,
let us, Lord, your servants be.

Holy Spirit, inspiration
day by day, yet mystery;
with the Son and the Creator
you form mystic unity.
Draw us into your communion,
with the love that sets us free;
bind our hearts to you for ever,
holy, blessed Trinity.

Timothy Rees 1874-1939 alt.

AUSTRIA

Franz Joseph Haydn 1732-1809

Please remain standing.

Preparation of the Altar

The President prays

Wise and gracious God,
you spread a table before us;
nourish your people with the word of life
and the bread of heaven.

Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

Father, you made the world
and love your creation.

You gave your Son Jesus Christ
to be our Saviour.

His dying and rising have set us free
from sin and death.

And so we gladly thank you,
with saints and angels praising you,
and singing:

The choir sings

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.
Blessed is he that cometh
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The President 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.

The Deacon says

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

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.
Amen.

Please be seated.

The Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer can be offered in your own language.

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

The President says

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

The President says

God's holy gifts
for God's holy people.

**Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

Agnus Dei

The choir sings

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.

All Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion or a blessing. Sidespeople will direct and assist the congregation in coming forward. The chalice is offered at all communion stations – please do not intinct (dip) the wafer.

Communion motet

The choir sings

Os justi meditabitur sapientiam: et lingua ejus loquetur judicium. Lex Dei ejus in corde ipsius: et non supplantabuntur gressus ejus. Alleluia.

The mouth of the righteous utters wisdom, and his tongue speaks what is just. The law of his God is in his heart: and his feet do not falter. Alleluia.

Psalm 36:30-31

Anton Bruckner 1824-96

Post Communion Prayer

The President says

Let us pray.

Father of light,
in whom is no change
or shadow of turning,
you give us every good and perfect gift
and have brought us to birth
by your word of truth:
may we be a living sign of that kingdom
where your whole creation
will be made perfect
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Please stand to sing the hymn.

THE DISMISSAL

Hymn

May the grace of Christ our Saviour,
and the Father's boundless love,
with the Holy Spirit's favour,
rest upon us from above.

Thus may we abide in union
with each other and the Lord,
and possess, in sweet communion,
joys which earth cannot afford.

John Newton 1725-1807

Based on 2 Cor 13:14

WALTHAM

Heinrich Albert 1604-51

Blessing

Please remain standing. The President says

The God of hope fill you
with all joy and peace in believing;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

The Deacon says

Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Please remain standing as the procession leaves, and then be seated for the organ voluntary.

Voluntary

Alla Marcia

John Ireland 1879-1962

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