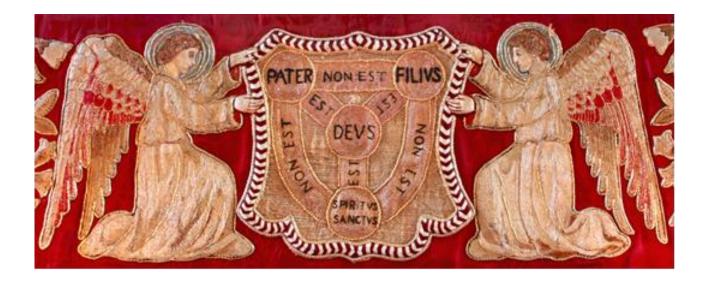


THE CATHEDRAL AND METROPOLITICAL CHURCH OF CHRIST, CANTERBURY

Sung Eucharist



Trinity Sunday

15th June 2025

11.00am

Quire

Welcome to Canterbury Cathedral for this Service

The Choral Settings are

Grayston Ives (b. 1959), Gloria & Agnus Dei (Missa brevis) Matthew Martin (b. 1976), Sanctus & Benedictus (Coventry Missa brevis)

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The Gathering

A welcome is offered

Stand to sing



Affirm anew the three-fold name of Father, Spirit, Son, our God whose saving acts proclaim a world's salvation won. In him alone we live and move and breath and being find, the wayward children of his love who cares for humankind.

²Declare in all the earth his grace, to every heart his call, the living Lord of time and place whose love embraces all. So shall his endless praise be sung, his teaching truly heard, and every culture, every tongue, receive his timeless word.

³Confirm our faith in this our day amid earth's shifting sand, with Christ as life and truth and way, a rock on which to stand; the one eternal Son and Lord by God the Father given, the true and life-imparting word, the way that leads to heaven.

⁴Renew once more the ancient fire, let love our hearts inflame; renew, restore, unite, inspire the church that bears your name; one name exalted over all, one Father, Spirit, Son, O grant us grace to heed your call and in that name be one.

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926-2024)

Tune: ST MATTHEW

The President says

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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

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.

The Deacon introduces

Prayers of Penitence

'How often have I longed to gather your children, as a hen gathers her brood under her wings,' says the Lord, 'but you would not come to me.' Let us as wayward children return to God and confess our sins.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Woe is me, for I am lost: I am a person of unclean lips: Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The President says

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.**

Remain standing as the choir sings

Gloria in Excelsis

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 coelestis, 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 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.

Silence is kept

Almighty and everlasting God,

you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith,

that we may evermore be defended from all adversities;

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.

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading

Proverbs 8.1-4, 22-31

Thus says the wisdom of God:

Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice? On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out:

'To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.

'The Lord created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago. Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth –when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world's first bits of soil.

'When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, then I was beside him, like a master worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always,

rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Remain seated as the choir sings Psalm 8

O Lord our Governor, how excellent is thy Name in all the world : thou that hast set thy glory above the heavens!

Out of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength, because of thine enemies : that thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger.

For I will consider thy heavens, even the works of thy fingers : the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained.

What is man, that thou art mindful of him : and the son of man, that thou visitest him?

Thou madest him lower than the angels : to crown him with glory and worship.

Thou makest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands : and thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet.

All sheep and oxen : yea, and the beasts of the field;

The fowls of the air, and the fishes of the sea : and whatsoever walketh through the paths of the seas.

O Lord our Governor : how excellent is thy Name in all the world!

Stand as the cantor sings the Alleluia and we respond



Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, one God, who was and who is, and who is to come, the Almighty. Alleluia.

The GospelJohn 16.12-15

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: 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.'

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

The organist plays a Gospel fanfare

Once the Sermon has been introduced please sit

Sermon The Dean

After the Sermon, a few moments of silence are kept as we reflect on what we have heard and then the choir sings

The Motet

Great Lord of Lords, supreme immortal King, O give us grace to sing Thy praise, which makes earth, air, and heaven to ring.

O Word of God, from ages unbegun, The Father's only Son, With Him in power, in substance, Thou art one.

O Holy Ghost, Whose care doth all embrace, Thy watch is o'er our race, Thou Source of Life, Thou Spring of peace and grace.

One living Trinity, One unseen Light, All, all is Thine, Thy light Beholds alike the bounds of depth and height. Amen.

Words: Henry Ramsden Bramley (1833-1917)

Music: Charles Wood (1866-1926)

Following the Motet please stand

The Nicene Creed

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. Please sit or kneel when the President says 'Let us pray'

Prayers of Intercession

This response is used

...mercy and grace. We plead before your throne in heaven.

And at the end

...as we worship you, saying, Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Stand

The President says

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father. Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace. Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.

The peace of the triune God be always with you. **And also with you.**

The Deacon says

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Members of the congregation may greet one another.

Remain standing to sing

The Offertory Hymn during which the table is prepared and the gifts of the people are gathered and presented. If you would prefer to give electronically, please use the QR code.



When the Thurifer turns to bow to the congregation, all turn to the altar



I bind unto myself today The strong name of the Trinity, By invocation of the same, The Three in One, and One in Three.

²I bind this day to me for ever, By power of faith, Christ's Incarnation; His baptism in Jordan river; His death on Cross for my salvation; His bursting from the spicèd tomb; His riding up the heavenly way; His coming at the day of doom; I bind unto myself today.

³I bind unto myself the power Of the great love of Cherubim; The sweet 'Well done!' in judgement hour; The service of the Seraphim, Confessors' faith, Apostles' word, The Patriarchs' prayers, the Prophets' scrolls, All good deeds done unto the Lord, And purity of virgin souls. ⁴I bind unto myself today The virtues of the star-lit heaven, The glorious sun's life-giving ray, The whiteness of the moon at even, The flashing of the lightning free, The whirling wind's tempestuous shocks, The stable earth, the deep salt sea, Around the old eternal rocks.

⁵I bind unto myself today The power of God to hold and lead, His eye to watch, his might to stay, His ear to hearken to my need. The wisdom of my God to teach, His hand to guide, his shield to ward; The word of God to give me speech, His heavenly host to be my guard.

⁶I bind unto myself the name, The strong name of the Trinity; By invocation of the same, The Three in One, and One in Three. Of whom all nature hath creation; Eternal Father, Spirit, Word: Praise to the Lord of my salvation, Salvation is of Christ the Lord.

Words: attributed to St Patrick (372-466) *Tune:* ST PATRICK'S BREASTPLATE NEH 159 *Tr* Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-95)

The President takes the bread and wine and praises God for his gifts

Holy God, holy and strong, holy and immortal, give us the bread of everlasting life, and make us branches of the true vine. **Amen.**

The 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.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For with your only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit you are one God, one Lord. All that you reveal of your glory, the same we believe of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, without any difference or inequality.

We, your holy Church, acclaim you, Father of majesty unbounded, your true and only Son, worthy of all worship, and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

Three Persons we adore, one in being and equal in majesty.

And so with angels and archangels, with cherubim and seraphim, we sing for ever of your glory:

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.

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. The Deacon says

Great is the mystery of faith: Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

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. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

The President says

As we join our prayers with the Church Universal, so we say, each in our own language, the prayer that Jesus taught us.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,	Notre Père
your kingdom come,	Vater Unser
your will be done,	Onze Vader
on earth as in heaven.	Unze vauer
Give us today our daily bread.	Padre Nuestro
Forgive us our sins	
as we forgive those who sin against us.	Ojcze Nasz
Lead us not into temptation	5
but deliver us from evil.	Baba Yetu
For the kingdom, the power,	
and the glory are yours	E to matou Matua
now and for ever.	
Amen.	Ein Tad

Remain standing for

Breaking of the Bread

The President breaks the consecrated bread, saying

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.

The President says

Jesus is 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.

Sit as the President and other ministers begin

The Distribution of Communion

Please come up for Communion as directed by the stewards. All who are regular communicants in their own tradition are welcome to receive the sacrament. If you are not a communicant, you are welcome to come forward at this point in the service to receive a blessing, keeping your hands to your sides. Please ask the priest if you **need a gluten-free host.**

We request that **you do not intinct (dip) your host in the wine** but either take a sip from the cup or remain with your head bowed. This is for the reasons of good hygiene.

If you wish to receive communion without climbing the steps to the High Altar, please join the line for the station in the North-East Transept.

We keep a **prayerful silence** during Communion to allow others to prepare to receive the sacrament or pray afterwards.

During Communion, the choir sings the Agnus Dei

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

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.

Prayer after Communion

Stand as the President says

Let us pray.

Silence is kept

Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love: hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

All then say

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 Dismissal



Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee; Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessèd Trinity!

²Holy, Holy, Holy! all the saints adore thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

³Holy, Holy, Holy! though the darkness hide thee, Though the eyes of sinful man thy glory may not see, Only thou art holy, there is none beside thee Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

⁴Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea; Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessèd Trinity!

Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826)

Tune: NICAEA

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The President says

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace: 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.

All remain standing as the choir and clergy depart

Organ Voluntary

Tea and coffee will be served in the Clagett Auditorium following this morning's Eucharist. All are very welcome.

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7.30am 8.00am	Morning Prayer Holy Communion	Monday-Friday Daily
9.15am	Morning Prayer	Saturday, Sunday, & Bank Holidays
11.00am	Sung Eucharist	Sunday
12.30pm	Holy Communion	Wednesday
12.30pm	Taizé Prayer	Monday (see Music List)
5.30pm	Choral Evensong	Daily (said Thursday, with Silence)

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