



THE CATHEDRAL AND METROPOLITICAL CHURCH OF CHRIST, CANTERBURY

# Sung Eucharist



Sixth Sunday after Trinity

27<sup>th</sup> July 2025

11.00am

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# Welcome to Canterbury Cathedral for this Service

We are grateful to the Choir of Christ and St Luke's Church,  
Norfolk, Virginia for singing our services this weekend

The Choral Setting is  
Herbert Howells (1892-1983) Collegium Regale Communion Service  
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# The Gathering

*A welcome is offered*

*Stand to sing*



Jesus, where'er thy people meet,  
there they behold thy mercy-seat;  
where'er they seek thee thou art found,  
and every place is hallowed ground.

<sup>3</sup>Dear Shepherd of thy chosen few,  
thy former mercies here renew;  
here to our waiting hearts proclaim  
the sweetness of thy saving name.

<sup>2</sup>For thou, within no walls confined,  
inhabitest the humble mind;  
such ever bring thee when they come,  
and, going, take thee to their home.

<sup>4</sup>Here may we prove the power of prayer  
to strengthen faith and sweeten care,  
to teach our faint desires to rise,  
and bring all heaven before our eyes.

<sup>5</sup>Lord, we are few, but thou art near;  
nor short thine arm, nor deaf thine ear:  
O rend the heavens, come quickly down,  
and make a thousand hearts thine own!

*Words:* William Cowper (1731-1800)

*Tune:* WAREHAM

AM 696

*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

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us  
from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal  
life. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to  
keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

*Remain standing to say*

**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 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**

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, 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.

*Silence is kept*

Merciful God,  
you have prepared for those who love you  
such good things as pass our understanding:  
pour into our hearts such love toward you  
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,  
may obtain your promises,  
which exceed all that we can desire;  
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

## The Epistle

*Colossians 2. 6-15*

Brothers and sisters, as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Remain seated as the choir sings Psalm 138*

I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart :  
even before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.

I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy Name,  
because of thy loving-kindness and truth :  
for thou hast magnified thy Name and thy word above all things.

When I called upon thee, thou heardest me :  
and enduedst my soul with much strength.

All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O Lord :  
for they have heard the words of thy mouth.

Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the Lord :  
that great is the glory of the Lord.

For though the Lord be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly :  
as for the proud, he beholdeth them afar off.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shalt thou refresh me :  
thou shalt stretch forth thy hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies,  
and thy right hand shall save me.

The Lord shall make good his loving-kindness toward me :  
yea, thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever;  
despise not then the works of thine own hands.

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al le - lu - ia.

## Alleluia.

*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**

My eyes for beauty pine,  
My soul for Goddës grace:  
No other care nor hope is mine,  
To heaven I turn my face.

One splendour thence is shed  
From all the stars above:  
'Tis named when God's name is said,  
'Tis Love, 'tis heavenly Love.

And every gentle heart,  
That burns with true desire,  
Is lit from eyes that mirror part  
Of that celestial fire.

*Words:* Robert Bridges (1844-1930)

*Music:* Elizabeth Coxhead (b. 1987)  
& Thomas Coxhead (b. 1993)

*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 when the President says 'Let us pray'*

## **Prayers of Intercession**

*One of these responses is used*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Lord, hear us.  
**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 Sacrament**

## **The Peace**

*Stand*

*The President says*

We are the body of Christ.  
In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.  
Let us then pursue all that makes for peace  
and builds up our common life.

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.

*Members of the congregation 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.*



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.

<sup>3</sup>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.

<sup>2</sup>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'?

<sup>4</sup>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.

Words: W Chatterton Dix (1837-98)

Tune: HYFRYDOL

AM 422

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

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

**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.**

Father, we give you thanks and praise  
 through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word,  
 through whom you have created all things;  
 who was sent by you in your great goodness  
 to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;  
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,  
he lived on earth and went about among us;  
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;  
he put an end to death by dying for us;  
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;  
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

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*

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts,  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory:  
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Amen.

Blessed is he who 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,  
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.**

*Notre Père...*

*Vater Unser...*

*Onze Vader...*

*Padre Nuestro...*

*Ojcie Nasz...*

*Baba Yetu...*

*E to matou Matua...*

*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*

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 peace.

## **Prayer after Communion**

*Stand as the President says*

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept*

God of our pilgrimage,  
you have led us to the living water:  
refresh and sustain us  
as we go forward on our journey,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**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



Tell all the world of Jesus,  
our Saviour, Lord and King;  
and let the whole creation  
of his salvation sing:  
proclaim his glorious greatness  
in nature and in grace;  
Creator and Redeemer,  
the Lord of time and space.

<sup>2</sup>Tell all the world of Jesus,  
that everyone may find  
the joy of his forgiveness—  
true peace of heart and mind:  
proclaim his perfect goodness,  
his deep, unfailing care;  
his love so rich in mercy,  
a love beyond compare.

<sup>3</sup>Tell all the world of Jesus,  
that everyone may know  
of his almighty triumph  
defeating every foe:  
proclaim his coming glory,  
when sin is overthrown  
and he shall reign in splendour—  
the King upon his throne!

Words: James Seddon (1915-83)

Tune: THORNBURY

AM 505

*The President says*

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.**

*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 Chapter House following this morning's Eucharist. All are very welcome.**

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7.30am	Morning Prayer	Monday-Friday
8.00am	Holy Communion	Daily
9.15am	Morning Prayer	Saturday & Sunday
11.00am	Sung Eucharist	Sunday
12.30pm	Holy Communion	Wednesday
12.30pm	Taizé Prayer (In Choir Term)	Monday
5.30pm	Choral Evensong	Daily (said with silence Thursdays)

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**Or is there something that you would like to discuss that affects you?**

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