



THE CATHEDRAL AND METROPOLITICAL CHURCH OF CHRIST,
CANTERBURY

EUCCHARIST with the Ordination and Consecration of

The Venerable Luke Irvine-Capel
as Bishop of Richborough



George Herbert, Priest and Poet

27th February 2025

2.30pm

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The Consecration and Ordination of a Bishop

The ministry of the Church is the ministry of Christ, its chief shepherd and high priest. Those who are ordained are called to share Christ's work: to speak in his name and build up the Church of which Christ is the head. This service of ordination perpetuates a pattern of ministry in direct continuity – through a long line of succession – with the apostles. Just as Jesus commissioned his first disciples, so by the laying on of hands the new bishop is commissioned to witness to the resurrection and to preach the good news of salvation in all the world. The particular role of a bishop – while remaining a deacon and priest – is to proclaim and guard the faith, to preside at the sacraments, to lead the Church's prayer and to hand on its ministry. During the service, the candidate will be asked to confirm his commitment to these priorities. All who are present will be asked to undertake to support the ordination of this candidate, not least because as bishop he will act not just on behalf of particular local Christian communities, but of the whole Church. This is followed by the invocation of the Holy Spirit and the laying on of hands. Luke will be anointed with sacred oil, signifying his role of leadership within the royal priesthood of Christ's people; he will receive a copy of the Holy Scriptures, both to remind him of his duty to proclaim the Gospel and of the centrality of God's Word; and he will receive a Pastoral Staff, symbolising his sharing in the ministry of Christ the Good Shepherd. Christ's mission is the fundamental and unifying reality for all ministry. It turns the Church outwards towards the world that God loved so much that he sent his only Son. It prepares the Church for that goal and end of all things, when Christ himself will present to the Father a world made perfect by his work – when all God's people share in the joyful communion of love that binds the Father and the Son, in the unity of the Holy Spirit.

adapted from Common Worship Ordination Services, Archbishops' Council 2007



Luke was born in Dover in 1975 and baptised in St Peter and St Paul's, Charlton in the Diocese of Canterbury. Following a family move to South Wales he grew up in Usk, Monmouthshire. After graduating from Oxford with a degree in Theology

he trained at the College of the Resurrection, Mirfield, where he also met his wife, Ruth. Ordained in the Diocese of Monmouth he served as an assistant curate and then, Minor Canon. Luke served as a parish priest in the Dioceses of London and of Chichester for nearly twenty years before being appointed Archdeacon of Chichester in 2019. He has also served as Chair of the Diocesan Board of Education and the Diocese of Chichester Academy Trust during this time, taking a delight and care in the privilege and mission of our Church of England schools. He and Ruth have a son, Benjamin, and two daughters, Anna and Elsie.

Welcome from the Dean of Canterbury

We are delighted to welcome you to the Cathedral of Christ at Canterbury which since the days of Pope Gregory's Mission to the Angles in the 6th century has been a place of Christian community, worship and service. As the seat of the Archbishop of Canterbury we support this ministry and provide a welcome for many from across the global Anglican Communion who hold this place in great affection. As partners with the Bishop of Dover and the Diocese of Canterbury we serve East Kent comprising beautiful villages, rural communities growing fruit, seaside towns facing significant challenges and the Port of Dover focussing so much of our attention around contemporary debates about immigration and people trafficking. The City of Canterbury is a popular tourist destination to whom we seek to offer welcome in Christ's name. We remain a destination for pilgrims especially drawn by the witness and stories of the Canterbury saints including Archbishops Thomas, Alphege, Dunstan and Anselm.

We pray that you will find a sense of shelter in our beautiful building and yet be drawn way beyond that to the beauty of God in Jesus Christ for whom we exist and who still calls us into his Way and invites us to follow in costly faith.

On behalf of volunteers, colleagues, congregations and Chapter, welcome to this special place.

David Monteith, Dean of Canterbury

The Choral Setting is William Byrd (c.1540-1623), Mass for Four Voices

*Before the service the bishop-designate takes
the Oath of Allegiance to the Sovereign and Oath of Due Obedience to the
Archbishop, tended to him by the Principal Registrar*

The Dean welcomes the congregation before the service begins

The order of procession

Thurifer
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Choir
Virger
Visiting clergy
The Chaplain to the Bishop of Fulham

Virger
Representatives of Chichester Chapter
Representatives of Portsmouth Chapter

Virger
The Preacher
Canterbury Chapter
The Dean
The Bishop of Dover

Virger
The Bishop-designate of Richborough
Presenting Bishops of Horsham and Portsmouth

The Procession of the Archbishop of York

Ostiarius
The College of Bishops
The Pro-prolocutor
The Principal Registrar

Virger
The Bishop of Oswestry and the Bishop of Fulham
The Deacons
The Bishop of Chichester
The Bishop of London and the Bishop of Winchester
The Archbishop's Chaplain with the Primatial Cross
The Archbishop of York
The Chaplain

The Gathering and Presentation

Stand to sing



Praise to the Holiest in the height,
and in the depth be praise:
in all his words most wonderful,
most sure in all his ways.

⁴And that the highest gift of grace
should flesh and blood refine,
God's presence and his very self,
and essence all-divine.

2O loving wisdom of our God!
when all was sin and shame,
a second Adam to the fight
and to the rescue came.

5O generous love! that he, who smote
in Man for man the foe,
the double agony in Man
for man should undergo;

³O wisest love! that flesh and blood,
which did in Adam fail,
should strive afresh against the foe,
should strive and should prevail;

⁶And in the garden secretly,
and on the cross on high,
should teach his brethren, and inspire
to suffer and to die.

⁷Praise to the Holiest in the height,
and in the depth be praise,
in all his words most wonderful,
most sure in all his ways.

Words: John Henry Newman (1801-90)

Tune: GERONTIUS

AM 763

The Greeting

The Archbishop greets the people

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All **Blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

There is one body and one spirit.

All **There is one hope to which we were called;**

one Lord, one faith, one baptism,

All **one God and Father of all.**

Peace be with you.

All **And also with you.**

The Archbishop introduces the service

God calls his people to follow Christ, and forms us into a royal priesthood, a holy nation, to declare the wonderful deeds of him who has called us out of darkness into his marvellous light.

The Church is the Body of Christ, the people of God and the dwelling-place of the Holy Spirit. In baptism the whole Church is summoned to witness to God's love and to work for the coming of his kingdom.

To serve this royal priesthood, God has given particular ministries. Bishops are ordained to be shepherds of Christ's flock and guardians of the faith of the apostles, proclaiming the gospel of God's kingdom and leading his people in mission. Obedient to the call of Christ and in the power of the Holy Spirit, they are to gather God's people and celebrate with them the sacraments of the new covenant. Thus formed into a single communion of faith and love, the Church in each place and time is united with the Church in every place and time.

Prayers of Penitence

Invitation to confession

Deacon We run the race set before us,
surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.
Therefore let us lay aside every weight,
and the sin which clings so closely,
bringing them to Jesus in penitence and faith.

All **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.**

Archbishop

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.

All **Amen.**

The Presentation

The Bishop of Portsmouth and The Bishop of Horsham say

Reverend Father in God, Luke has been chosen to be
Bishop of Richborough in the Diocese of Canterbury. We
present him to be ordained and consecrated to the office of
bishop in the Church of God.

The Archbishop asks

Do you believe him to be of godly life and sound learning?

Those presenting respond

We do.

Do you believe him to be duly called to serve God in this
ministry?

We do.

The Archbishop turns to the ordinand and says

Do you believe that God is calling you to this ministry?

Ordinand **I do so believe.**

Archbishop Let the authority for the ordination be read.

The Provincial Registrar reads the Royal Mandate.

Archbishop Luke, you have taken the oath of allegiance to the
Sovereign and the oath of due obedience. You are now
required to make the Declaration of Assent.

The Archbishop then reads the Preface to the Declaration of Assent.

The Church of England is part of the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church, worshipping the one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It professes the faith uniquely revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the catholic creeds, which faith the Church is called upon to proclaim afresh in each generation. Led by the Holy Spirit, it has borne witness to Christian truth in its historic formularies, the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion, The Book of Common Prayer and the Ordering of Bishops, Priests and Deacons. In the declaration you are about to make, will you affirm your loyalty to this inheritance of faith as your inspiration and guidance under God in bringing the grace and truth of Christ to this generation and making Him known to those in your care?

The Ordinand responds

I, Luke Irvine-Capel, Clerk in Holy Orders about to be admitted and consecrated to the Bishopric and See of Richborough in the Province of Canterbury, do so affirm, and accordingly declare my belief in the faith which is revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the catholic creeds and to which the historic formularies of the Church of England bear witness; and in public prayer and administration of the sacraments, I will use only the forms of service which are authorized or allowed by Canon.

The ordinand returns to his place

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

The Archbishop introduces a period of silent prayer with the following bidding

Let us pray for Luke, and for the ministry of the whole people of God.

The Archbishop says the Collect

God our Father, Lord of all the world,
through your Son you have called us into the fellowship
of your universal Church:
hear our prayer for your faithful people
that in their vocation and ministry
each may be an instrument of your love,
and give to your servant Paul, now to be ordained
the needful gifts of grace;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading *Malachi 2.5-7*

Read by Liam Linton

My covenant with him was a covenant of life and well-being, which I gave him; this called for reverence, and he revered me and stood in awe of my name. True instruction was in his mouth, and no wrong was found on his lips. He walked with me in integrity and uprightness, and he turned many from iniquity. For the lips of a priest should guard knowledge, and people should seek instruction from his mouth, for he is the messenger of the Lord of hosts.

For the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

New Testament Reading

Revelation 19.5-9

Read by Sue McMahon

From the throne came a voice saying,
'Praise our God, all you his servants, and all who fear him, small
and great.'

Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude,
like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty
thunder-peals, crying out,

'Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns.

Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory,
for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made
herself ready; to her it has been granted to be clothed with fine
linen, bright and pure'—

for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.

And the angel said to me, 'Write this: Blessed are those who are
invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.' And he said to me,
'These are true words of God.'

For the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Stand to sing



Let all the world in every corner sing,
my God and King.
The heavens are not too high,
his praise may thither fly:
the earth is not too low,
his praises there may grow.
Let all the world in every corner sing,
my God and King.

²Let all the world in every corner sing,
my God and King.
The church with psalms must shout,
no door can keep them out;
but above all the heart
must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in every corner sing,
my God and King.

Words: George Herbert (1593-1633)

Tune: LUCKINGTON

AM 704

Remain standing as the Deacon says and we respond

Alleluia, Alleluia.

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord.

I know my own and my own know me,

just as the Father knows me and I know the Father.

All **Alleluia.**

The Gospel

Matthew 11.25-end

The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

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

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

At that time Jesus said, 'I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

The Reverend Rebecca Swyer
Director of Apostolic Life
Diocese of Chichester

Silence is kept as the preacher returns to her seat and then we stand to affirm the faith of the Church

The Creed

All

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.

The Mandate for the Consecrating Bishop

The Bishop of Chichester kneels before the Archbishop to receive his Mandate to proceed with the Ordination on his behalf

The Liturgy of Ordination

The Declarations

The ordinand stands before the Bishop of Chichester, who addresses the congregation

Bishops are called to serve and care for the flock of Christ. Mindful of the Good Shepherd, who laid down his life for his sheep, they are to love and pray for those committed to their charge, knowing their people and being known by them. As principal ministers of word and sacrament, stewards of the mysteries of God, they are

to preside at the Lord's table and to lead the offering of prayer and praise. They are to feed God's pilgrim people, and so build up the Body of Christ.

They are to baptize and confirm, nurturing God's people in the life of the Spirit, and leading them in the way of holiness. They are to discern and foster the gifts of the Spirit in all who follow Christ, commissioning them to minister in his name. They are to preside over the ordination of deacons and priests, and join together in the ordination of bishops.

As chief pastors, it is their duty to share with their fellow presbyters the oversight of the Church, speaking in the name of God, and expounding the gospel of salvation. With the Shepherd's love, they are to be merciful, but with firmness; to minister discipline, but with compassion. They are to have a special care for the poor, the outcast and those who are in need. They are to seek out those who are lost and lead them home with rejoicing, declaring the absolution and forgiveness of sins to those who turn to Christ.

Following the example of the prophets and the teaching of the apostles, they are to proclaim the gospel boldly, confront injustice and work for righteousness and peace in all the world.

The Bishop addresses the ordinand directly

Luke we trust that you have weighed and pondered all this, and that you are now fully determined to devote yourself to this ministry to which God has called you. We pray that you may offer to him your best powers of mind and spirit, so that as you follow the rule and teaching of our Lord you may grow up into his likeness, and sanctify the lives of all with whom you have to do.

And now, in order that we may know your mind and purpose, you must make the declarations we put to you.

Do you accept the Holy Scriptures as revealing all things necessary for eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ?

Ordinand **I do so accept them.**

Will you be diligent in prayer, in reading Holy Scripture, and in all studies that will deepen your faith, and fit you to bear witness to the truth of the Gospel?

Ordinand **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you lead your people in proclaiming his glorious gospel of Christ, so that the good news of salvation may be heard in every place?

Ordinand **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you teach the doctrine of Christ as the Church of England has received it, will you refute error, and will you hand on entire the faith that is entrusted to you?

Ordinand **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you be faithful in ordaining and commissioning ministers of the Gospel?

Ordinand **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you promote peace and reconciliation in the Church and in the world; and will you strive for the visible unity of Christ's Church?

Ordinand **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you be gentle and merciful for Christ's sake to those who are in need, and speak for those who have no other to speak for them?

Ordinand **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you endeavour to fashion your own life and that of your household according to the way of Christ and make your home a place of hospitality and welcome?

Ordinand **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you work with your fellow servants in the Gospel for the sake of the kingdom of God?

Ordinand **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you accept the discipline of this Church, exercising authority with justice, courtesy and love, and always holding before you the example of Christ?

Ordinand **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you then, in the strength of the Holy Spirit, continually stir up the gift of God that is in you, that the good news of Christ may be proclaimed in all the world?

Ordinand **By the help of God, I will.**

The congregation stands and the ordinand turns and faces them.

Brothers and sisters, you have heard how great is the charge that Luke is ready to undertake, and you have heard his declarations. Is it now your will that he should be ordained?

All **It is.**

Bishop Will you continually pray for him?

All **We will.**

Bishop Will you uphold and encourage him in his ministry?

All **We will.**

The ordinand turns to face the Bishop, who continues

Luke, remember always with thanksgiving that God has entrusted to your care Christ's beloved bride, his own flock, bought by the shedding of his blood on the cross.

You are to govern Christ's people in truth, lead them out to proclaim the good news of the kingdom, and prepare them to stand before him when at last he comes in glory.

You cannot bear the weight of this calling in your own strength, but only by the grace and power of God. Pray therefore that you may be conformed more and more to the image of God's Son, so that through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit your life and ministry may be made holy and acceptable to God. Pray earnestly for the gift of the Holy Spirit.

The ordinand and the congregation kneel and silence is kept.

All sing



Precentor Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,

All And lighten with celestial fire;
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.

²Thy blessèd unction from above
Is comfort, life, and fire of love;
Enable with perpetual light
The dullness of our blinded sight:

³Anoint and cheer our soilèd face
With the abundance of thy grace:
Keep far our foes, give peace at home;
Where thou art guide no ill can come.

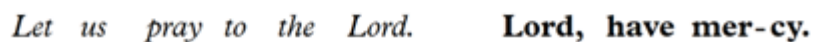
⁴Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And thee, of Both, to be but One;
That through the ages all along
This may be our endless song,

Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Words: John Cosin (1594-1672)
based on Veni, creator Spiritus*

Tune: VENI CREATOR (MECHLIN)

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



All **Lord, have mercy.**

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All **Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor and the hungry,
for the homeless and the oppressed,
for all prisoners and captives,
and for our brothers and sisters who are persecuted for their
faith,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For Charles our King,
for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For ourselves,
for grace to repent and amend our lives,
that we may be pardoned and absolved from all our sins,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Remembering all who have gone before us in faith,
and in communion with The Blessed Virgin Mary and all the
saints,
we commit ourselves, one another,
and our whole life to Christ our God;
To you, O Lord.



The Ordination Prayer

The ordinand continues to kneel before the Bishop of Chichester, who stands to pray.

We praise and glorify you, almighty Father,
because in your infinite love you have formed throughout the
world
a holy people for your own possession,
a royal priesthood, a universal Church.

We praise and glorify you because you have given us your only
Son Jesus Christ the image of your eternal and invisible glory,
the firstborn of all creation and head of the Church.

We praise and glorify you that by his death he has overcome
death; and that, having ascended into heaven,
he poured out your Holy Spirit upon his disciples,
to give them power to preach the gospel to the ends of the
earth,
and to build up your people in love.

And now we give you thanks
that you have called this your servant,
whom we ordain in your name,
to share as a bishop in the ministry of the gospel of Christ,
the Apostle and High Priest of our faith,
and the Shepherd of our souls.

Therefore, Father, through Christ our Lord we pray:

Here the Bishop of Chichester and the consecrating bishops lay hands on the head of the ordinand.

The Bishop of Chichester says

Send down the Holy Spirit on your servant Luke
for the office and work of a bishop in your Church.

The Bishop of Chichester then continues

Through your Spirit, heavenly Father,
fill this your servant with the grace and power which you gave to
your apostles, that as a true shepherd he may feed and govern
your flock, and lead them in proclaiming the gospel of your
salvation in the world.

Make him steadfast as a guardian of the faith and sacraments,
wise as a teacher and faithful in presiding at the worship of your
people.

Through him, with his fellow-servants in Christ,
increase your Church and renew its ministry,
uniting its members in a holy fellowship of truth and love.

Give him humility,
that he may use his authority to heal, not to hurt;
to build up, not to destroy.
Defend him from all evil,
that he may, as a faithful steward,
be presented blameless with all your household
and, at the last, enter your eternal joy,
through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and your Holy Spirit,
belong glory and honour, worship and praise, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

The Giving of the Bible

The Bishop of Chichester presents The Bible, saying

Receive this Book,
as a sign of the authority given you this day
to build up Christ's Church in truth.
Here are words of eternal life.
Take them for your guide,
and declare them to the world.

The Anointing

May God, who anointed the Christ with the Holy Spirit at his baptism, anoint and empower you to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives, to set free those who are oppressed and to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.

The Giving of ring and pectoral cross

At the giving of the Episcopal Ring

Take this ring, the seal of your fidelity. With faith and love protect the bride of Christ, his holy Church.

At the giving of the Pectoral Cross

May the Lord defend you against the assaults of the devil by the power of his holy cross. As you bear this cross, so may you ever keep in mind the memory of the Passion and the victory of the martyrs.

The Welcome

The congregation stands, the newly ordained bishop turns to face the people, and the Bishop of London, Dean of the Province of Canterbury, says to him

Guard the truth that has been entrusted to you by the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

All **We welcome you as a shepherd of Christ's flock.
Build up the Church in unity and love,
that the world may believe.**

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Peace

The Archbishop introduces the Peace

God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, not counting our trespasses against us, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

All 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.

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.





God is Love: let heav'n adore him;
 God is Love: let earth rejoice;
 Let creation sing before him,
 And exalt him with one voice.
 He who laid the earth's foundation,
 He who spreads the heav'ns above,
 He who breathes through all creation,
 He is Love, eternal Love.

²God is Love: and he enfoldeth
 All the world in one embrace;
 With unfailing grasp he holdeth
 Every child of every race.
 And when human hearts are breaking
 Under sorrow's iron rod,
 Then they find that selfsame aching
 Deep within the heart of God.

³God is Love: and though with blindness
 Sin afflicts the souls of all,
 God's eternal loving-kindness
 Holds and guides us when we fall.
 Sin and death and hell shall never
 O'er us final triumph gain;
 God is Love, so Love for ever
 O'er the universe must reign.

Words: Timothy Rees (1874-1939)

Tune: ABBOTT'S LEIGH

AM 644

The Eucharistic Prayer

R.

The___ Lord be___ with___ you And___ al - so___ with___ you

R.

Lift_____ up your_ hearts_ We lift them to___ the Lord___

R.

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

It is truly right and just,
 our duty and our salvation,
 always and everywhere to give you thanks,
 Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God,
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Christ is the Good Shepherd of the whole flock,
for which the Holy Spirit ordains bishops
to govern the Church bought by the blood of the eternal
covenant.

In this joyful community of faith,
your people, filled with the gifts of the Spirit,
assemble together in one communion of love.
Here the Gospel is set forth
and fulfilled in the Supper of the Lord
to make your Church a sign of love and unity for all.
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

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis.	<i>Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.</i>
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Benedictus qui venit In nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.	<i>Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.</i>
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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.

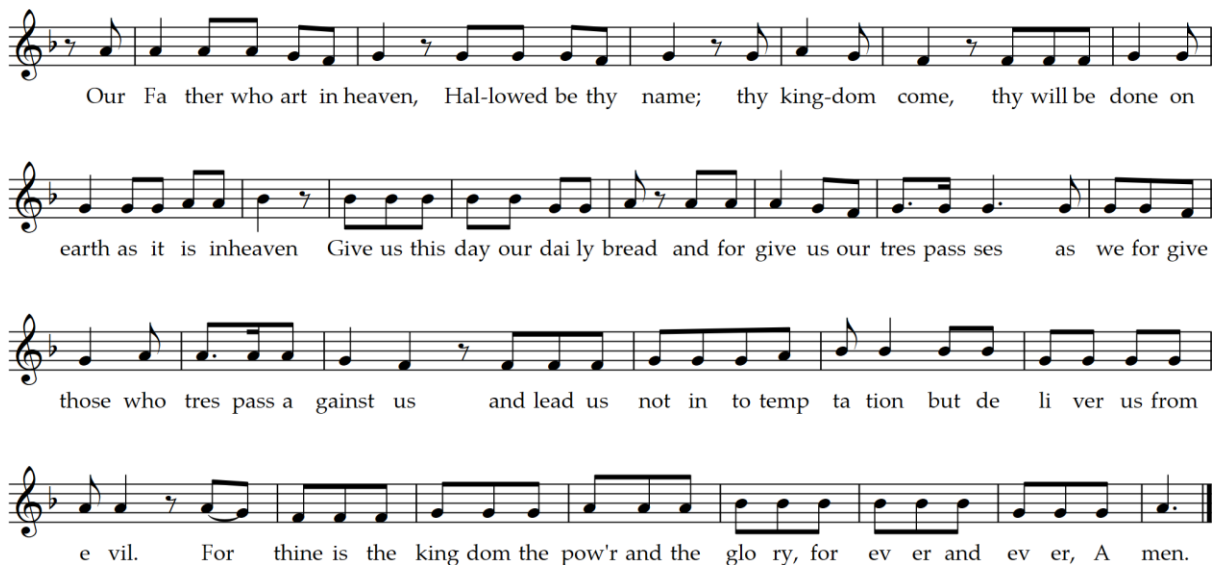
Deacon Let us proclaim the mystery of faith;

All **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.

All **Amen**

As our Saviour has taught us so we pray



Our Fa ther who art in heaven, Hal-low ed be thy name; thy king-dom come, thy will be done on
 earth as it is in hea ven Give us this day our dai ly bread and for give us our tres pass ses as we for give
 those who tres pass a gainst us and lead us not in to temp ta tion but de li ver us from
 e vil. For thine is the king dom the pow'r and the glo ry, for ev er and ev er, A men.

Remain standing for

Breaking of the Bread

The Bishop breaks the consecrated bread, saying

We break the bread of life,
and that life is the light of the world.

All **God here among us,
light in the midst of us,
bring us to light and life.**

The Bishop says

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

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

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**.*

If you would like to receive Communion in your seat, please inform a steward.

*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.*

During Communion, the choir sings

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

*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.*

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

Lord God, the source of truth and love,
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

All **We thank you, gracious Father,
for welcoming your children to feast in your kingdom;
by your love unite us
and with your Spirit send us,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Sending Out



How shall I sing that majesty
which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie;
sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.
Thousands of thousands stand around
thy throne, O God most high;
ten thousand times ten thousand sound
thy praise; but who am I?

²Thy brightness unto them appears,
whilst I thy footsteps trace;
a sound of God comes to my ears,
but they behold thy face.
They sing, because thou art their Sun;
Lord, send a beam on me;
for where heaven is but once begun
there alleluias be.

³Enlighten with faith's light my heart,
in flame it with love's fire;
then shall I sing and bear a part
with that celestial choir.
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold,
with all my fire and light;
yet when thou dost accept their gold,
Lord, treasure up my mite.

⁴How great a being, Lord, is thine,
which doth all beings keep!
Thy knowledge is the only line
to sound so vast a deep.
Thou art a sea without a shore,
a sun without a sphere;
thy time is now and evermore,
thy place is everywhere.

Words: John Mason (c. 1645-94)

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Blessing

Archbishop The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

God who has called you is faithful.

May the Father, whose glory fills the heavens,
cleanse you by his holiness
and send you to proclaim his word.

All **Amen.**

May Christ, who has ascended to the heights,
pour upon you the riches of his grace.

All **Amen.**

May the Holy Spirit, the comforter, equip you
and strengthen you in your ministry.

All **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

Giving of the Pastoral Staff

Archbishop Keep watch over the whole flock
in which the Holy Spirit has appointed you shepherd.

All **Encourage the faithful,
restore the lost,
build up the Body of Christ.**

Dismissal

Deacon Go in the peace of Christ.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Processions

To the West Doors

The Primate's Cross
The Archbishop of York
The Bishop of Richborough

Vesturer
Canterbury Chapter
The Dean
The Bishop of Dover
The Chaplain

Virger
The Preacher
The Deacons of the Liturgy
The Bishop of Oswestry and the Bishop of Fulham
The Bishop of Chichester
The Bishop of London and the Bishop of Winchester

To the Chapter House and Treasury

Cross and Lights
Virger
Visiting clergy

Ostiarius
The College of Bishops
The Pro-prolocutor
The Principal Registrar

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