



RIPON CATHEDRAL

Sung Eucharist

Second Sunday before Advent

Sunday 19th November 2023
10.30am



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

Diocese of Leeds

Welcome to Ripon Cathedral

Welcome to Ripon Cathedral for this act of worship. Christian worship has taken place on this site since Wilfrid built the first church here in 672AD. The crypt of that original church still survives and is the oldest part of any English cathedral and regular prayer has taken place there over 1350 years.

Built on the firm foundation of that heritage, the Cathedral today continues to proclaim the Christian faith, with daily prayer and active service in Jesus' name.

If you would like to find out more about how the cathedral community is seeking to grow God's Kingdom in this 21st century, please visit our website. Regular updates of all that we are involved in and our worship are posted on our Facebook page and we tweet regularly using "@riponcathedral".

Sitting, kneeling, standing

As human beings, we worship with our bodies as well as through our music and prayers. This order of service invites you to sit, kneel or stand as appropriate. Please see these as merely invitations and adopt the posture you find most comfortable.

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Welcome to this service

We welcome you to Ripon Cathedral on this Sunday as we approach Advent. We continue to celebrate the life of God, a community of love which enfolds the whole of creation and humanity. And we praise God for our home within the community of faith which is Christ's Church.

As we worship God together in this ancient and sacred place of prayer, we pray that this cathedral community will be filled with God's life and love, and that we may reach out to include others in sharing our joy.

About this service

The President is The Canon Precentor, The Revd Canon Michael Gisbourne.

The President is The Canon Pastor, The Revd Canon Claire Renshaw.

The service is sung by the Boy Choristers, Bass Choral Scholars and Lay Clerks of the cathedral choir. The Mass setting is the *Communion Service in B flat* by Charles Moody (1874-1965). The *Gloria* is by Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924) *in C*.

The Cathedral bells are rung by the Ripon Cathedral Guild of Bellringers.

The flower display is kindly provided by the Ripon Cathedral Flower Guild.

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Words of welcome are given by The Dean.

The Gathering

Processional Hymn

As the introduction is played, please stand.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
 come ye who hear,
 brothers and sisters draw near,
praise him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth:
 hast thou not seen
 all that is needful hath been
granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work
and defend thee;
surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;
 ponder anew
 all the Almighty can do,
he who with love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
all that hath life and breath come now with praises before him!
 Let the Amen
 sound from his people again:
gladly for ay we adore him.

NEH 440

Words: Joachim Neander (1650-1680) tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

Music: LOBE DEN HERREN Praxis pietatis melica 1668

The Greeting

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

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

The President introduces the service.

Prayer of Preparation

All **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.**

Prayer of Penitence

Deacon Christ calls us to share the heavenly banquet of his love
with all the saints in earth and heaven.
Knowing our unworthiness and sin,
let us ask from him both mercy and forgiveness.

All **Lord God,
we have sinned against you;
we have done evil in your sight.
We are sorry and repent.
Have mercy on us according to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us
and restore us to the joy of your salvation,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Absolution

President The God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Please remain standing.

Gloria

Choir Glory be to God on high,
 and in earth peace, goodwill 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 most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect

President Let us pray.

 Heavenly Father,
 whose blessed Son was revealed
 to destroy the works of the devil
 and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life:
 grant that we, having this hope,
 may purify ourselves even as he is pure;
 that when he shall appear in power and great glory
 we may be made like him
 in his eternal and glorious kingdom;
 where he is alive and reigns with you,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Please sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

New Testament Reading

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

Concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, 'There is peace and security,' then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

1 Thessalonians 5. 1–11

All

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

**Lord of the boundless curves of space,
and time's deep mystery;
to thy creative might we trace
the fount of energy.**

**Thy mind conceived the galaxy,
the atom's secret planned;
and every age of history
thy purpose, Lord, has spanned.**

**Thy spirit gave the living cell
its hidden vital force;
the instincts which all life impel
derive from thee their source.**

Thine is the image stamped on man,
though marred by man's own sin;
and thine the liberating plan
devised his soul to win.

Science explores thy reason's ways,
but faith draws near thy heart
and in the face of Christ we gaze
upon the love thou art.

NEH 405

Words: Albert F. Bayly (1901-1984)

Music: LONDON NEW Melody in the Scottish Psalter 1635 (NEH 365)

Please remain standing and turn to face the Gospel reader.

The Gospel

*Please remain standing and turn to face the deacon reading the Gospel.
The choir sings the following and the congregation repeat it.*



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

Cantor The word of the Lord endures for ever.
 The word of the Lord is the good news announced to you.
All **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Deacon Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

‘The kingdom of heaven is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master’s money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, “Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.” His master said to him, “Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.” And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, “Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.”

His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

Matthew 25.14-30

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

The organist improvises as the Gospel party returns.

Sermon

Please sit at the invitation of the preacher.

After the sermon, please stand with the president.

Affirmation of Faith

President Let us affirm, our common faith in Jesus Christ.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist?

All **I believe and trust in him.**

President Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again?

All **I believe and trust in him.**

President Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?

All **I believe and trust in him.**

President This is the faith of the Church.

All **This is our faith.
We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

Intercessions

President United in the company of all the faithful
and looking for the coming of the kingdom,
let us offer our prayers to God,
the source of all life and holiness.

Please sit.

This response is used after each petition:

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

And at the end

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

Please stand.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

President To crown all things there must be love,
to bind all together and complete the whole.
Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

Colossians 3.14, 15

All The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

We exchange warm greetings with those nearest us.

Preparation of the Altar

The table is prepared, the bread and wine are placed on it.

Offertory Hymn

**Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
be all else but naught to me, save that thou art;
be thou my best thought in the day and the night,
both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.**

**Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,
be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord;
be thou my great Father, and I thy true son;
be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.**

**Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight,
be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might,
be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower,
O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.**

**Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
be thou my inheritance now and always,
be thou and thou only the first in my heart,
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.**

**High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun,
O grant me its joys after vict'ry is won;
great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.**

NEH 339

Words: Irish 8th century tr. Mary Byrne (1880-1931) versified Eleanor Hull (1860-1935)

Music: SLANE trad. Irish melody

Taking of the Bread and Wine

President To you we come, Father of lights,
with angels and saints,
where heaven and earth unite.
May Jesus meet us in the breaking of the bread.
All **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

President The Lord be with you
All **and also with you.**

President Lift up your hearts.
All **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

President It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should always sing of your glory,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.
For you are the hope of the nations,
the builder of the city that is to come.

Your love made visible in Jesus Christ
brings home the lost, restores the sinner
and gives dignity to the despised.
In his face your light shines out,
flooding lives with goodness and truth,
gathering into one in your kingdom
a divided and broken humanity.

Therefore with all who can give voice in your creation
we glorify your name,
for ever praising you and singing:

Choir *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.*

President 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 Praise to you Lord Jesus:
All **Lord, by your cross and resurrection,
you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.**

President 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 the Blessed Virgin Mary,
St Peter, St Wilfrid and 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.**

Please sit.

The Lord's Prayer

President Uniting our prayers with the whole company of saints,
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All **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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The President breaks the consecrated bread.

President We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

All **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

The Giving of Communion

President Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink
in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

*We welcome communicants of all denominations to receive holy communion.
If you are not a communicant and would like to receive God's blessing, please
come with this service sheet in your hand. Please move as directed. If you
require a gluten-free wafer, please indicate this to the minister.*

During communion, the choir sings the Agnus Dei and a Motet.

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 thy peace.*

Motet

Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts; shut not thy merciful ears unto our prayer; but spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty, O holy and most merciful Saviour, thou most worthy Judge eternal, suffer us not, at our last hour, for any pains of death, to fall from thee. Amen.

*Words Book of Common Prayer 1549
Music: Henry Purcell (1659-1695)*

Prayer after Communion

President Let us pray.

Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament
you give substance to our hope:
bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

All

Amen.

Notices

Notices may be given after which, please stand.

The Dismissal

The Blessing

President Christ our King
make you faithful and strong to do his will,
that you may reign with him in glory;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you
and remain with you always.

All

Amen.

Recessional Hymn

Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go,
my daily labour to pursue;
thee, only thee, resolved to know,
in all I think or speak or do.

The task thy wisdom hath assigned
O let me cheerfully fulfil;
in all my works thy presence find,
and prove thy good and perfect will.

Preserve me from my calling's snare,
and hide my simple heart above,
above the thorns of choking care,
the gilded baits of worldly love.

Thee may I set at my right hand,
whose eyes my inmost substance see,
and labour on at thy command,
and offer all my works to thee.

Give me to bear thy easy yoke,
and every moment watch and pray,
and still to things eternal look,
and hasten to thy glorious day;

For thee delightfully employ
whate'er thy bounteous grace hath given,
and run my course with even joy,
and closely walk with thee to heaven.

NEH 235

Words: Charles Wesley (1707–1788)

Music: SONG 34 Orlando Gibbons (1583–1625)

Deacon
All

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Organ Voluntary

Mattachins (*from* Capriol)

Peter Warlock (1894-1930)

arr. Tim Harper (b. 1986)

After the service, please join us in the south transept for a coffee, tea or juice.