

Sung Eucharist with the Enthronement of the Child Bishop

Second Sunday in Advent

Sunday 10th December 2023



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.

Large print versions of the Order of Service are available. Please ask those who welcomed you if you would like one.









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Welcome to this service

We welcome you to this act of worship. Whatever has brought you here today, we trust that you will find yourself more aware of God through the words, prayers and music. We worship in the season of Advent. This is a time of expectation: the word itself means 'coming'. It recalls ancient Israel's hope for the advent of the Messiah and it also expresses the Christian hope for the fulfilment of God's Kingdom in the second coming of Christ.

As we worship today in this Cathedral church we pray that we may all encounter God and 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 Preacher is The Canon Chancellor, The Revd Canon Matthew Pollard.

The service is sung by the girl choristers, soprano choral scholars and lay clerks of the cathedral choir. They sing the *Mass for four voices* by *William Byrd (c. 1540-1623).*

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

Children at Ripon Cathedral

Children's Church, which usually takes place during this service, is suspended this week as the children stay with the adults to watch the enthronement of a child bishop. Canvas mats with quiet toys are available for young ones. Please ask those who welcomed you for directions.

Safeguarding

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The Gathering

Processional Hymn

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry announces that the Lord is nigh; come then and hearken, for he brings glad tidings from the King of kings.

Then cleansed be every Christian breast, and furnished for so great a guest! yea, let us each our hearts prepare for Christ to come and enter there.

For thou art our salvation, Lord, our refuge and our great reward; without thy grace our souls must fade, and wither like a flower decayed.

Stretch forth thine hand to heal our sore, and make us rise, to fall no more; once more upon thy people shine, and fill the world with love divine.

All praise, eternal Son, to thee whose advent sets thy people free, whom, with the Father, we adore, and Spirit blest, for evermore. Amen.

NEH 12

Words: Charles Coffin (1676-1749) tr. John Chandler (1808-1876) Music: WINCHESTER NEW Musicalisches Hand Buch Hamburg

The Greeting

President With love and compassion,

All come, Lord Jesus.

President With judgement and mercy,

All come, Lord Jesus.

President In power and glory,
All come, Lord Jesus.

President In wisdom and truth, All come, Lord Jesus.

President Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father

and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

A// and also with you.

The President introduces the service.

Prayer of Preparation

A// 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 When the Lord comes,

he will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness,

and will disclose the purposes of the heart.

Therefore in the light of Christ let us confess our sins.

President Heavenly Father, you have created a universe of light:

forgive us when we return to darkness.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

AII

President Lord Jesus, you are the light of the world:

cleanse and heal our blinded sight.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

President Holy Spirit, you give us light in our hearts:

renew us in faith and love.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Choir Kyrie eleison, Lord, have mercy.

Christe eleison, Christ, have mercy. Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy.

The Absolution

President 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.

Lighting of a candle on the Advent Wreath

The second candle on the Advent Wreath is lit.

God our Father,

you spoke to the prophets of old of a Saviour who would bring peace.

You helped them to spread the joyful message

of his coming kingdom.

Help us, as we prepare to celebrate his birth,

to share with those around us

the good news of your power and love.

We ask this through Jesus Christ,

the light who is coming into the world.

A// Amen.

The Collect

President Almighty God,

purify our hearts and minds,

that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again

as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him,

who is our Lord and our God.

All Amen.

Please sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins. A voice cries out: 'In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.' A voice says, 'Cry out!' And I said, 'What shall I cry?' All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the LORD blows upon it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades: but the word of our God will stand for ever. Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, 'Here is your God!' See, the Lord GOD comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

Isaiah 40.1-11

This is the word of the Lord.

A// Thanks be to God.

Psalm

The choir sings, then all repeat:



Choir You have been gracious to your land, O Lord,

you have restored the good fortune of Jacob. You have forgiven the iniquity of your people

and blotted out all their sins.

[Response]

Choir I will listen to what the Lord God is saying,

for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him.

Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him,

that his glory may dwell in our land.

[Response]

Choir Mercy and truth have met together;

righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Truth shall spring up from the earth,

and righteousness shall look down from heav'n.

[Response]

Choir The Lord will indeed grant prosperity,

and our land will yield its increase. Righteousness shall go before him,

and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

[Response]

Psalm 85.1-2, 8-13

Please stand and turn to face the Deacon reading the Gospel.

The choir sings, then all repeat:



Cantor Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,

And all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Alleluia, Alleluia.

Deacon Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

A// Glory to you, O Lord.

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As it is written in the prophet Isaiah, 'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight," John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.'

Mark. 1.1-8

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

The organist improvises as the Gospel party returns.

The Sermon

Please sit at the invitation of the preacher.

After the sermon, please stand with the president.

Affirmation of Faith

President

A/I

Let us declare our faith in God. We believe in God the Father.

from whom every family

in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son,

who lives in our hearts through faith,

and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit,

who strengthens us

with power from on high.

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

Amen.

I do.

The Enthronement of the Child Bishop

The Canon Precentor, stands before the Dean with the Child Bishop-elect and Child Canon.

Precentor

Dean John, I present to you, Lainey, whom,

you approving, and God willing, we would install as Child Bishop.

The Dean Child BishopLainey do you desire to become the Chorister Bishop?

Flect

The Dean

Blessed is the one who puts their trust in the Lord.

Lainey, you have been chosen to serve in the office of Child Bishop in the Cathedral Church of St Peter and St Wilfrid, Ripon. Will you be faithful and keep the promises made for you

in holy baptism?

Child Bishopelect I will, the Lord being my helper.

President

While you hold this office, will you pray regularly for the

members of this Cathedral Foundation and for all those who

need your prayers?

Child Bishop-

I will, the Lord being my helper.

elect

The Child Bishop says this collect:

Child Bishop Almighty God,

by whose grace alone we are accepted

and called to your service:

strengthen us by your Holy Spirit and make us worthy of our calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A// Amen.

The Dean The Lord bless you and keep you:

the Lord make his face to shine upon you,

and be gracious unto you:

the Lord strengthen you to serve him

all the days of your life.

A// Amen.

The Child Bishop is robed in her in Stole, Chasuble and Pectoral Cross and the Mitre is placed on her head. The Child Canon is robed in a Stole.

When vested, The Dean conducts her to her Cathedra, with a Child Canon. The Dean then invests her with the Crozier and says:

The Dean Lainey, we place into your hand your pastoral staff

and install you in the chair pertaining to your office

with all its rights and privileges.

May the Lord preserve your going out and your coming in,

from this time forth, for evermore.

A// Amen.

The Canon Precentor gives the Child Bishop two pence, which is the traditional stipend of her office (intended to cover the cost of candles that were used during the service—a charge that was required by the thirteenth-century cathedral statutes of Gloucester).

Child Bishop The Lord be with you and also with you.

Child Bishop Jesus said to the disciples,

"Truly I say to you whoever does not receive the kingdom of

God like a child shall never enter it."

Child Bishop Our help is in the name of the Lord.

All

Who made heaven and earth.

Child Bishop Blessed be the name of the Lord.

All Now and evermore. Amen.

The Child Bishop moves to the lectern with her Canons to lead the prayers.

Prayers of Intercessions

President Watchful at all times, let us pray for strength to stand with

confidence before our Maker and Redeemer.

Please sit. This response is used after each petition:

Intercessor Lord in your mercy All hear our prayer.

Intercessor Merciful Father,

A// accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,

our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

President In the tender mercy of our God,

the dayspring from on high shall break upon us, to give light to those who dwell in darkness

and in the shadow of death

and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All and also with you.

Deacon Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

We exchange warm greetings with those nearest us.

Preparation of the Altar

The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

Offertory Hymn

Thy kingdom come! on bended knee the passing ages pray; and faithful souls have yearned to see on earth that kingdom's day.

But the slow watches of the night not less to God belong; and for the everlasting right the silent stars are strong.

And lo, already on the hills the flags of dawn appear; gird up your loins, ye prophet souls, proclaim the day is near:

The day in whose clear-shining light all wrong shall stand revealed, when justice shall be throned in might, and every hurt be healed;

When knowledge, hand in hand with peace, shall walk the earth abroad: the day of perfect righteousness, the promised day of God.

NEH 500

Words: Frederick Hosmer (1840-1929)

Music: IRISH from S. Powell's A Collection of Hymns and sacred Poems, Dublin 1749

Taking of the Bread and Wine

President Look upon us in mercy not in judgement;

draw us from hatred to love; make the frailty of our praise a dwelling place for your glory.

A// Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

President The Lord be with you and also with you.

President Lift up your hearts.

A// 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 and good to give you thanks and praise,

Almighty God and everlasting Father,

through Jesus Christ your Son. For when he humbled himself

to come among us in human flesh,

he fulfilled the plan you formed before the foundation

of the world

to open for us the way of salvation.

Confident that your promise will be fulfilled,

we now watch for the day

when Christ our Lord will come again in glory.

And so we join our voices with angels and archangels

and with all the company of heaven

to proclaim your glory, for ever praising you and singing.

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power Dominus Deus Sabaoth.

And might, heaven and earth are

Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. full of your glory. Hosanna in excelsis. Hosanna in the highest.

President We praise and bless you, loving Father,

through Jesus Christ, our Lord;

and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit,

that broken bread and wine outpoured

may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends

and, taking bread, he praised you.

He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take. eat; this is my body which is given for you;

do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Deacon

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

A/I

Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life Lord Jesus, come in glory.

President

Lord of all life,

help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Peter, St Wilfrid and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

AII

Amen.

Please sit.

The Lord's Prayer

President Awaiting his coming in glory,

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

A// Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name;

thy kingdom come; thy will be done;

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation;

but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

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

A// 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 thanksqiving.

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

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.

Motet

Long ago, prophets knew Christ would come, born a Jew.

Come to make all things new; bear his people's burden, freely love and pardon.

Ring, bells, ring, ring, ring! Sing, choirs, sing, sing!

When he comes, when he comes, who will make him welcome?

God in time, God in man, this is God's timeless plan:

he will come, as a man, born himself of woman, God divinely human:

Mary, hail! Though afraid, she believed, she obeyed.

In her womb God is laid, till the time expected, nurtured and protected:

Journey ends: where afar Bethlem shines, like a star,

stable door stands ajar. Unborn Son of Mary, Saviour, do not tarry!

Ring, bells, ring, ring, ring! Sing, choirs, sing, sing, sing! Jesus comes! Jesus comes! We will make him welcome!

Words: Fred Pratt Green (1903-2000) Music: Gustav Holst (1874-1934)

Prayer after Communion

President Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world

and will send him again to be our judge:

give us grace so to imitate him

in the humility and purity of his first coming

that, when he comes again,

we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Notices

Notices may be given.

The Dismissal

The Blessing

President Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you,

scatter the darkness from before your path,

and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory;

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

A// Amen.

Recessional Hymn

The Lord will come and not be slow, his footsteps cannot err; before him righteousness shall go, his royal harbinger.

Truth from the earth, like to a flower, shall bud and blossom then; and justice, from her heavenly bower, look down on mortal men.

Rise, God, judge thou the earth in might, this wicked earth redress; for thou art he who shalt by right the nations all possess.

The nations all whom thou hast made shall come, and all shall frame to bow them low before thee, Lord, and glorify thy name.

For great thou art, and wonders great by thy strong hand are done: thou in thy everlasting seat remainest God alone.

NFH 15

Words: John Milton (1608-1674)

Music: ST STEPHEN William Jones (1726-1800)

The Dismissal

Deacon All Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Organ Voluntary

Allegro maestoso (from Sonata No. 5)

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

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

Services later today and this week

Holy Eucharist (BCP) President: Canon Claire Renshaw 12.30 pm 3.30 pm Light up a life special service with St. Michael's Hospice

Evening Prayer 5.30 pm

Cathedral supporting the Parishes Canon Claire Renshaw is presiding at Littlethorpe this morning.

Diary for the Week

Morning Prayer: Monday to Saturday at 8.30am Evening Prayer: Monday & Saturday 5.30pm Choral Evensong: Tuesday to Friday 5.30pm

The Fucharist President: Canon Michael Gisbourne Monday 9.00am The Eucharist President: Canon Claire Renshaw Tuesday 9.00am 12noon The Eucharist President: Canon Wendy Wilby Wednesday 10.00am The Eucharist President: Canon Michael Gisbourne Thursday 9.00am The Eucharist President: Canon Claire Renshaw

Friday The Fucharist President: The Dean 9.00am

> The Fucharist President: Revd Lvnn Thorius 12noon

The Eucharist Saturday 12noon President: Canon Matthew Pollard

Worship Next Sunday, 17th December, Third Sunday of Advent

Eucharist (BCP) President & Preacher: Canon Michael Gisbourne 8.00am

Morning Prayer in the Chapel of the Resurrection 9.30am

10.30am Sung Eucharist President; Canon Claire Renshaw Preacher The Dean

12.30pm Eucharist (BCP) President: The Dean 3.30pm Evening Prayer

Sunday 17th December

Dean John and Nicola invite you for sherry and mince pies following the 10.30am Sung Eucharist and before the 12.30 Eucharist. Served in the South Transept

Monday 11th December 7.30pm Advent Course at Thorpe Prebend House Monday 18th December 7.30pm Advent Course at Thorpe Prebend House Thursday 21st December 7.30pm La Nativité du Seigneur by Olivier Messiaen - Nine Christmas Meditations on the Mystery of the Birth of Jesus Christ.

Tim Harper, the Assistant Director of Music plays the organ.

Churches Together in Ripon Carol singers wanted!

We are joining together as Churches in Ripon to sing carols for visitors, at the Band Stand in Spa Gardens during the Winter Wonderland Celebrations. Anyone who would like to join us, no experience necessary and all welcome, to meet at the bandstand ready to sing at 5-6pm on Friday 15th December. This is a wonderful opportunity to witness to our shared faith in the town with other local Christians. Please come along and join us. For further information, see Canon Claire.



Christmas & New Year Special Services

Festival of Lessons and Carols

23rd & 24th December 5.30pm

Christmas Eve

11.30am Journey toBethlehem11pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

8.00am Holy Communion 10.30am Festal Eucharist

Boxing Day

9.30am St Stephen's DayEucharist10.15am Pilgrimage toFountains Abbey with carols

New Year's Eve 11.15pm

Watchnight with procession to market square for midnight

Sunday 7th January 10.30am Festal Eucharist for Epiphany

Sunday 14th January

Farming Sunday
2.30pm refreshments
3.30pm Service

Friday 2nd February 7.30pm
Festal Eucharist for Candlemas
with candlelit procession

All Welcome

Find all services & events at: www.riponcathedral.org.uk Tickets are not required for any of the services