

# **Sung Eucharist**

## Second Sunday before Lent

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2024 10.30am



#### 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 for 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 21<sup>st</sup> 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.

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.

Its is a special privilege to welcome the Very Revd Otis Nichols, Dean of St George's Cathedral, Kingstown, St Vincent, who is visiting the UK at the moment. Dean John will be in conversation with Dean Otis during the service.

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

The Preacher is the Canon Pastor, Revd Canon Claire Renshaw.

The service is sung by the Girl Choristers, Choral Scholars and Lay Clerks of the Cathedral Choir and the setting is the *Communion Service in B flat* by Charles Villiers Stanford (1842-1924).

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

The flower arrangements are kindly provided by the Cathedral Flower Guild.

#### **Children at Ripon Cathedral**

Children's church is for primary school aged 6 and above. Little Children's Church for babies and small children. The older group meets in the rooms beneath the Chapter House and the younger ones in the Library. Please ask those who welcomed you for directions.

Words of welcome are given by The Dean.

## The Gathering

**Processional Hymn** 

Light's abode, celestial Salem, vision dear whence peace doth spring, brighter than the heart can fancy, mansion of the highest King;
O, how glorious are the praises which of thee the prophets sing!

There for ever and for ever Alleluia is outpoured; for unending, for unbroken is the feast-day of the Lord; all is pure and all is holy that within thy walls is stored.

There no cloud nor passing vapour dims the brightness of the air; endless noon-day, glorious noon-day, from the Sun of suns is there; there no night brings rest from labour, there unknown are toil and care.

O how glorious and resplendent, fragile body, shalt thou be, when endued with so much beauty, full of health, and strong, and free, full of vigour, full of pleasure that shall last eternally!

Now with gladness, now with courage, bear the burden on thee laid, that hereafter these thy labours may with endless gifts be paid, and in everlasting glory thou with joy may'st be arrayed.

Laud and honour to the Father, laud and honour to the Son, laud and honour to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One, One in love, and One in splendour, while unending ages run. Amen.

> NEH 401 Words: Jerusalem luminosa 15<sup>th</sup> century tr. J. M. Neale (1818-1866) Music: REGENT SQUARE Henry Smart (1818-1879)

#### The Greeting

President In the name of the Father, and of the Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

A// Amen.

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**

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 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.

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.

#### 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.

A// Amen.

#### Gloria in excelsis

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.

Please remain standing.

#### The Collect

President Let us pray:

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth

and made us in your own image:

teach us to discern your hand in all your works

and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,

who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things

now and for ever.

All Amen.

Please sit.

### The Liturgy of the Word

#### **New Testament Reading**

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians.

Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers – all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Colossians 1.15-20

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

AII

#### **Gradual Hymn**

Father of heaven, whose love profound a ransom for our souls hath found, before thy throne we sinners bend, to us thy pardoning love extend.

Almighty Son, incarnate Word, our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord, before thy throne we sinners bend, to us thy saving grace extend.

Eternal Spirit, by whose breath the soul is raised from sin and death, before thy throne we sinners bend, to us thy quickening power extend.

Thrice Holy! Father, Spirit, Son; mysterious Godhead, Three in One, before thy throne we sinners bend, grace, pardon, life to us extend.

NEH 358/I Words: Brian Foley (1770-1833) Music: RIEVAULX J. B. Dykes (1823-1876))

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#### The Gospel

Please remain standing and turn to face the Deacon reading the Gospel. The choir sings and then all repeat:



Cantor Speak Lord for your servant is listening.

You have the words of eternal life.

All Alleluia.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

John 1.1-14

Deacon 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.

AII

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.

#### **Prayers of Intercession**

President Let us pray to God for his blessing on the Church

and the world.

Please sit.

This response may be 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.

## Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

President 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

A// 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, the bread and wine are placed on it,

#### Offertory Hymn

A collection is taken during this hymn.

O Christ the same through all our story's pages, our loves and hopes, our failures and our fears; eternal Lord, the King of all the ages, unchanging still, amid the passing years:
O living word, the source of all creation, who spread the skies, and set the stars ablaze,
O Christ the same, who wrought man's whole salvation, we bring our thanks for all our yesterdays.

- O Christ the same, the friend of sinners, sharing our inmost thoughts, the secrets none can hide, still as of old upon your body bearing the marks of love, in triumph glorified:
- O Son of Man, who stooped for us from heaven, O Prince of life, in all your saving power,
- O Christ the same, to whom our hearts are given, we bring our thanks for this the present hour.
- O Christ the same, secure within whose keeping our lives and loves, our days and years remain, our work and rest, our waking and our sleeping, our calm and storm, our pleasure and our pain:
- O Lord of love, for all our joys and sorrows, for all our hopes, when earth shall fade and flee,
- O Christ the same, for all our brief tomorrows, we bring our thanks for all that is to be.

NEH 258 Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926)

Music: LONDONDERRY AIR Petrie Collection of Irish Melody

#### Taking of the Bread and Wine

The gifts of the people are gathered and presented.

President Wise and gracious God,

you spread a table before us;

nourish your people with the word of life

and the bread of heaven.

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 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:

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 AII

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 the Blessed Virgin Mary,

St Peter. St Wilfrid and the 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.

A/IAmen.

Please sit.

#### The Lord's Prayer

President Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

All 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.

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 a Blessing, please bring this service sheet with you. Please move as directed by the sidespeople. If you require a gluten-free wafer, please indicate this when receiving Communion.

#### **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

Beati quorum via integra est: qui ambulant in lege Domini.

Blessed are they
whose way is blameless:
who walk in the law of the Lord.

Words: Psalm 119.1 Music: Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

#### **Prayer after Communion**

President God our creator, by your gift

the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise,

and the bread of life at the heart of your Church:

may we who have been nourished at your table on earth

be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross

and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A// Amen.

**Notices** 

Notices may be given.

Please stand at the invitation of the President.

#### The Dismissal

#### The Blessing

President 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.

A// Amen.

#### **Recessional Hymn**

At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, every tongue confess him King of glory now; 'tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord, who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

At his voice creation sprang at once to sight, all the angel faces, all the hosts of light, thrones and dominations, stars upon their way, all the heavenly orders, in their great array.

Humbled for a season, to receive a name from the lips of sinners unto whom he came, faithfully he bore it spotless to the last, brought it back victorious, when from death he passed:

bore it up triumphant with its human light, through all ranks of creatures, to the central height, to the throne of Godhead, to the Father's breast; filled it with the glory of that perfect rest.

In your hearts enthrone him; there let him subdue all that is not holy, all that is not true. He is God the Saviour, he is Christ the Lord, ever to be worshipped, trusted, and adored.

Brothers, this Lord Jesus shall return again, with the Father's glory, with his angel train; for all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow, and our hearts confess him King of glory now.

NEH 338 Words: Caroline Noel (1817-1877) Music: EVELYNS W. H. Monk (1823-1889)

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

In the name of Christ, Amen.

#### **Organ Voluntary**

Allegro assai vivace (from Sonata No. 1 in F minor)

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

After the service, please join us in the south transept for refreshments.

If you are relatively new to the congregation, please complete one of the 'Welcome' cards so that we can arrange to get to know you better and offer you the chance to join in the Cathedral's mission and ministry.

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