

Easter Day

Festal Eucharist



Sunday 31st March 2024



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 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.

An induction loop system is also in operation for hearing aid users.

Please switch off your mobile phone before the service begins. Photography and video/audio recording by members of the congregation is not permitted before, during or after the service.

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Happy Easter!

A very warm welcome to Ripon Cathedral as, with Christians all around the world, we join in celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Easter is the foundation of our faith, the feast that tells again the story of the empty tomb and the disciples' early encounters with their risen Lord. Easter asserts that once and for all, Jesus overcame the powers of sin and death and so gives hope and the promise of life to people in every generation.

It is remarkable to think that people have celebrated Christ's resurrection on this site for over thirteen hundred years. It is clear to see that we come into a Cathedral that has been decorated for this celebration in the most wonderful way. I am extremely grateful to everyone who has helped to prepare this ancient church for Easter, not least the flower arrangers and those who have prepared the spectacular Easter Garden.

For those who do not worship regularly at the Cathedral, please can I encourage you to come back and join us again? The Cathedral has a growing congregation (including online) and details of our Sunday and daily services can be found on the monthly Newsletter and on the website.

I hope that you enjoy celebrating Easter with us this morning. You will see the new Paschal Candle is already burning. We are fortunate that it has been especially prepared for us, and it is well worth admiring for its artistry. It was lit for the first time at the special service yesterday evening. It now burns brightly, as it will in baptisms and funerals throughout the year, reminding us of the hope we have been given, thanks to the undying faithfulness and love of God.

Once again, I wish you a very happy Easter!

Dean John

About this service

The President and Preacher is the Rt Revd Nick Baines, Bishop of Leeds.

The service is sung by the cathedral choir and the Communion setting is the *Messe (Op. 36)* by Charles-Marie Widor *(1844-1937).*

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

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

We are also joined at this service by the Very Revd Jane Hedges, former Dean of Norwich, who has been our preacher throughout Holy Week. We are very grateful to her.

Children at Ripon Cathedral

Today there are Children's activities taking place in Library which is up the grand wooden staircase on the South side of the Cathedral that is, on the right, as you sit in the nave. There you will be welcomed by adults who will explain what is available.

The Gathering

Processional Hymn

Jesus lives! thy terrors now Can, O Death, no more appal us; Jesus lives! by this we know Thou, O grave, canst not enthral us. Alleluia!

Jesus lives! henceforth is death But the gate of life immortal; This shall calm our trembling breath, When we pass its gloomy portal. Alleluia!

Jesus lives! for us he died: Then alone to Jesus living. Pure in heart may we abide, Glory to our Saviour giving. Alleluia!

Jesus lives! our hearts know well Nought from us his love shall sever: Life, nor death, nor powers of hell Tear us from his keeping ever. Alleluia!

Jesus lives! to him the throne Over all the world is given; May we go where he is gone, Rest and reign with him in heaven. Alleluia!

NEH 112

Words: Christian Gellert (1715-1769) tr. Frances Cox (1812-1897) Music: ST ALBINUS H. J. Gauntlett (1805-1876)

The organist improvises as the altar is censed.

The Greeting

President Alleluia! Christ is risen.

A// He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The President introduces the service.

President This is the day when our Lord Jesus Christ was raised gloriously

from the dead, crushing the power of sin and destroying the sting of death. Throughout the world Christians celebrate the mighty power of God as Christ calls us out of darkness to share in his marvellous light. May we, and all Christ's people, shine

as lights in the world to the glory of God the Father.

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, Qui tollis peccata mundi, Miserere nobis. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, Suscipe deprecationem nostram.

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

President Lord of all life and power,

who through the mighty resurrection of your Son

overcame the old order of sin and death

to make all things new in him:

grant that we,

being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ,

may reign with him in glory;

to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might,

now and in all eternity.

A// Amen.

Please sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

New Testament Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius. 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ – he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

Acts 10.34-43

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gradual Hymn

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once upon the Cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia! Who endured the Cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains that he endured Alleluia! Our salvation have procured; Alleluia! Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

> NEH 110 Words: Lyra Davidica 1708 Music: EASTER HYMN, Adapted from a melody in 'Lyra Davidica'

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



Cantor I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one;

I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

A// Glory to you, O Lord.

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?' When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, 'Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.' So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Mark 16.1-8

Deacon This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

The 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.

the only Son of God,

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

and his kingdom will have no end.

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.

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.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

Prayers of Intercession

President In joy and hope let us pray to the Father.

Please sit.

Intercessor That our risen Saviour may fill us with the joy of his

glorious and life-giving resurrection;

for Nicholas our Bishop and all Area Bishops,

John our Dean

and for this Cathedral and the Diocese

we pray to the Father.

A// Hear our prayer.

Intercessor That the peace of the Risen Christ may fill every human heart

we pray to the Father.

A// Hear our prayer.

Intercessor That he may reveal the light of his presence to the sick,

and all who suffer

to comfort and strengthen them

we pray to the Father.

A// Hear our prayer.

Intercessor That, according to his promises.

all who have died in the faith of the resurrection

may be raised on the last day

we pray to the Father.

All Hear our prayer.

President Heavenly Father,

you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son; grant that, as his death has recalled us to life,

so his continual presence in us may raise us to eternal joy;

through Christ our Lord.

A// Amen.

Please stand.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

President The Risen Christ came and stood among his disciples

and said, 'Peace be with you.'

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.

Alleluia!

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you. Alleluia!

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

The collection is taken during this hymn.

Alleluia! Alleluia! hearts to heaven and voices raise; sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise: he who on the cross a victim for the world's salvation bled, Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, now is risen from the dead.

Christ is risen, Christ the first-fruits of the holy harvest field, which will all its full abundance at his second coming yield; then the golden ears of harvest will their heads before him wave, ripened by his glorious sunshine, from the furrows of the grave.

Christ is risen, we are risen; shed upon us heavenly grace, rain, and dew, and gleams of glory from the brightness of thy face; that we, with our hearts in heaven, here on earth may fruitful be, and by angel-hands be gathered, and be ever, Lord, with thee.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high; Alleluia! to the Saviour, who has gained the victory; Alleluia! to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity; Alleluia! Alleluia! to the Triune Majesty.

> NEH 103 WORDS: Christopher Wordsworth (1807-85) MUSIC: LUX EOI Arthur Sullivan (1842-1900)

The organist improvises until the censing is complete.

Taking of the Bread and Wine

President Risen Lord Jesus Christ,

we believe you, and all we have heard is true.

When you break bread

may we recognize you as the fire that burns within us,

that we may bring light to your world.

All 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, our duty and our joy,

always and everywhere to give you thanks,

almighty and eternal Father,

and in these days of Easter to celebrate with joyful hearts

the memory of your wonderful works.

For by the mystery of his passion Jesus Christ, your risen Son,

has conquered the powers of death and hell

and restored in men and women

the image of your glory.

He has placed them once more in paradise and opened to them the gate of life eternal.

And so, in the joy of this Passover,

earth and heaven resound with gladness,

while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation

sing for ever the hymn of your glory:

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

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full

Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. of your glory.

Hosanna in excelsis. Hosanna in the highest.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Blessed is he who comes in the name Domini Hosanna in excelsis. Blessed is he who comes 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

Jesus Christ is Lord:

AII

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.

AII

Amen.

Please sit.

The Lord's Prayer

President Let us pray that we may reign with the risen Christ in glory:

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

The President breaks the consecrated bread.

President Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All Therefore Let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The Giving of Communion

President Jesus is the Lamb of God

who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,

but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

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 administrant.

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

Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi. Lamb of God, you take away the sin Miserere nobis, of the world, Have mercy on us.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi.

Dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, Grant us peace.

Motet

Rise heart; thy Lord is risen. Sing his praise Without delays Who takes thee by the hand, that thou likewise With him may'st rise; That, as his death calcined thee to dust His life may make thee gold, and much more, Just.

Awake, my lute, and struggle for thy part With all thy art The cross taught all wood to resound his name Who bore the same His stretched sinews taught all strings, what key Is best to celebrate this most high day.

Consort both heart and lute, and twist a song Pleasant and long:
Or since all music is but three parts vied
And multiplied;
O let thy blessed Spirit bear a part
And make up our defects with his sweet art.

Words: George Herbert (1593-1633) Music: R. Vaughan-Williams (1872-1958)

The following hymn may also be sung.

Communion Hymn

Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour, First-begotten from the dead, Thou alone, our strong defender, Liftest up thy people's head.
Alleluia,
Jesu, true and living Bread!

Here our humblest homage pay we; Here in loving reverence bow; Here for Faith's discernment pray we, Lest we fail to know thee now. Alleluia, Thou art here, we ask not how. Though the lowliest form doth veil thee As of old in Bethlehem,
Here as there then angels hail thee,
Branch and Flower of Jesse's stem.
Alleluia,
We in worship join with them.

Paschal Lamb, thine Offering, finished Once for all when thou wast slain, In its fullness undiminished Shall for evermore remain,
Alleluia,
Cleansing souls from every stain.

Life-imparting heavenly Manna,
Stricken Rock with streaming side,
Heaven and earth with loud hosanna
Worship thee, the Lamb who died,
Alleluia,
Risen, ascended, glorified!

NEH 296 Words: G. H. Bourne (1840-1925) Music: ST HELEN G. C. Martin (1844-1916)

Prayer after Communion

President Let us pray.

God of our salvation,

you have restored us to life,

you have brought us back again into your love, by the triumphant death and resurrection of Christ:

continue to heal us, as we go to live and work in the power of your Spirit, to your praise and glory.

A// Amen.

Notices

Notices may be given after which please stand.

The Dismissal

President Alleluia! Christ is risen.

A// He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

President God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead,

strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life;

and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

pour out upon you and upon all those you love

now and always.

A// Amen.

Recessional Hymn

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won;
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
Kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.
Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.

Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
Let the Church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
For her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting:
Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life; Life is nought without thee: aid us in our strife, Make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love; Bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above: Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,

Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.

NEH 120
Words: French, Edmond Budry (1854-1932) tr. Richard Hoyle (1875-1939)

Music: MACCABAEUS G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

President Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia! Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Organ Voluntary

Prelude & Fugue in D

Franz Schmidt (1874-1939)

Services later today and this week

12.30pm Holy Eucharist (BCP) *President: Canon Matthew Pollard*

3.30pm Festal Evensong

Responses Clucas Hymns: 101ii; 117 Psalm: 150

Setting Stanford in C Anthem Seek him that maketh the seven stars Dove

Worship for the Week

Morning Prayer: Monday to Saturday at 8.30am Evening Prayer: Monday to Saturday 5.30pm

President: Canon Michael Gisbourne Monday 9.00am The Eucharist Tuesday 9.00am The Fucharist President: Canon Matthew Pollard The Fucharist President: Venerable Richard Seed 12 noon The Fucharist President: Canon Matthew Pollard Wednesday 10.00am Thursday The Fucharist President: Rt Revd Clive Handford 9.00am The Eucharist President: Canon Michael Gisbourne Friday 9.00am 12noon The Eucharist President: Revd Jeremy Trigg

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Saturday 12noon The Eucharist President: Canon Matthew Pollard

Worship Next Sunday, 7th April, Second Sunday of Easter

8.00am Eucharist (1662) President: The Dean

Preacher: Loretta Williams, Cathedral Reader

9.30am Morning Prayer

10.30am Sung Eucharist President; The Dean Preacher: Canon Michael Gisbourne

12.30pm Eucharist (1662) President: Canon Michael Gisbourne1.15pm Holy Baptism Service led by Canon Matthew Pollard

3.30pm Festal Evensong

Forthcoming events

Tuesday 2nd April 7.30pm Cathedral Meditation Group

Saturday 13th April 10am-4pm Spring Food, Home & Garden Show

Thursday 18th April 1.00pm Concert, Tim Harper, Organ

Refreshments from 12.30pm. Free admission with retiring collection.

Saturday 20th April 10am-1pm a Recycled Art Workshop on the theme 'Planet vs Plastic' with refreshments in the South Transept of the Cathedral.

Rivers of Life Celebrating 10 years of Rural Life in the Diocese of Leeds

Bishop Anna and Dean John invite you to Ripon Cathedral for a Celebratory Service to mark the Tenth Anniversary of the Diocese of Leeds on Sunday 12th May at 3.30pm

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We're on a match funding mission



Music is the heartbeat of our lives at Ripon Cathedral, and the talented choristers are on a mission to raise money for their music tuition, scores, and chaperones.

They're building up to a CD release and tour, and they need your help!

Through generous pledges we have raised £13,200 We now need your support to match this with £13,200

To reach our target of £26,400

Bravo! Last year, you supported music at the cathedral with a tremendous £14,500. Now, we hope to exceed that with a series of fundraisers. Help us match the donor pledges and ensure the music of Ripon flourishes and prospers for years to come.



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