



RIPON CATHEDRAL

Festal Eucharist

Palm Sunday

Sunday 24th March 2024

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 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 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 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 service as we begin the most sacred week of the year. The Church celebrates anew the great drama of salvation in the suffering, dying and rising of Jesus Christ.

Today we have our palms blessed in Market Square and together we process through the streets in honour of Christ the King. A donkey leads us as we sing our praises.

Today, we open our Cathedral doors welcoming Christ our Lord and King into our midst. We pray that we may see his face in all who come through them.

As the Passion Gospel is read please join in as indicated.

There is a full programme of services for Holy Week and Easter. Please play your part and be faithful in attending these sacred days and in particular Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Day.

About this service

The President is The Dean of Ripon, The Very Revd John Dobson DL.

The Preacher is the former Dean of Norwich The Very Revd Jane Hedges.

The service is sung by the Girl Choristers, Soprano Choral Scholars and Lay Clerks of the cathedral choir. The Communion setting is *The St Wilfrid Mass* by Ron Perrin (1937-1997).

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

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.

Safeguarding

Ripon Cathedral is committed to the safety and wellbeing of everyone, especially children, young people and vulnerable adults. If you have any safeguarding concerns, please speak to a member of the clergy or phone 0113 353 0257.

The service begins as the Palm Sunday procession enters the Cathedral, having processed around Market Square with members of other churches in Ripon.

Processional Hymn

The altar is censed during the hymn.

***All glory, laud and honour
To thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.***

**2. Thou art the King of Israel
Thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest,
The King and blessed One.**

**3. The company of angels
Are praising thee on high,
And mortal men and all things
Created make reply.**

**4. The people of the Hebrews
With palms before thee went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems
Before thee we present.**

**5. To thee before thy passion
They sang their hymns of praise;
To thee, now high exalted
Our melody we raise.**

**6. Thou didst accept their praises,
Accept the prayers we bring,
Who in all good delightest,
Thou good and gracious King.**

**7. Do thou direct our footsteps
Upon our earthly way,
And bring us by thy mercy
To heaven's eternal day.**

**8. Within that blessed City
Thy praises may we sing,
And ever raise hosannas
To our most loving King.**

NEH 509

Words: St Theodulph of Orleans (d. 821) tr. J. M. Neale (1818-1866)

Music: ST THEODULPH Melody by M. Teschner (c. 1613)

The Greeting

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.

The Collect

President Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God,
who in your tender love towards the human race
sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
to take upon him our flesh
and to suffer death upon the cross:
grant that we may follow the example
of his patience and humility,
and also be made partakers of his resurrection;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God now and forever.

All **Amen.**

Please sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

New Testament Reading

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Philippians 2.5-11

Reader This is the word of the Lord.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand.

Gradual Hymn

All glory, laud and honour
To thee redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.
Thou art the King of Israel
Thou David's royal son,
Who in the Lord's name cometh
The King and blessed one.

In vain the prophets' voices cry
Their message to God's own.
But now they look for one whose sword
May claim an earthly throne.
Come Lord of Life, come to your throne,
Your reign on earth begin.
O Son of Man, Messiah, Lord,
Come save us all from sin.

The Living Word, the Christ will show
What love and truth can be.
In Nazareth, in Galilee,
And soon on Calvary.
The messenger, the message is,
In Christ are both made one.
The Father's Love revealed to us
In him, His only son.

O come, O come Emmanuel
Of David's line foretold.
O come, O Lord, and here fulfil
The prophecies of old.
Your Holy Spirit dwells in us
And tells us of our worth
Your Kingdom come, your will be done
In Heaven and on Earth.

*Words: Richard Cooper (b. 1946), used with permission
Music: KINGSFOLD adapted from an English folksong by R. Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)*

The Passion Gospel

You are invited to remain standing as The Gospel is read, and to participate as members of the 'Crowd'. However, as it is a long reading, you may prefer to sit.

Mark: As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him,

Pilate: Are you the King of the Jews?

Mark: Jesus answered him,

Jesus: You say so.

Mark: Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again,

Pilate: Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you.

Mark: But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed. Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them,

Pilate: Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?

Mark: For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again,

Pilate: Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?

Mark: They shouted back,

All: **Crucify him!**

Mark: Pilate asked them,

Pilate: Why, what evil has he done?

Mark: But they shouted all the more,

All: **Crucify him!**

Mark: So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified. Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him,

Soldiers: Hail, King of the Jews!

Mark: They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in

homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take. It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, 'The King of the Jews.' And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying,

All:

Aha!

You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!

Mark: In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying,

Chief Priests: He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe.

Mark: Those who were crucified with him also taunted him. When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice,

Jesus: Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?

Mark: which means,

Jesus: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Mark: When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

All: **Listen, he is calling for Elijah.**

Mark: And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying,

Bystander: Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.

Mark: Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said,

Centurion: Truly this man was God's Son!

Mark 15. 1-39

The Sermon

Please sit at the invitation of the preacher.

After the sermon, please stand with the president.

The Affirmation of Faith

President Let us affirm our common faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

All

**Though he was divine,
he did not cling to equality with God,
but made himself nothing.
Taking the form of a slave,
he was born in human likeness.
He humbled himself
and was obedient to death,
even death on a cross.
Therefore God has raised him on high,
and given him the name above every name:
that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bow,
and every voice proclaim
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

President We join with Christ in his suffering.

Please sit.

Intercessor For forgiveness for the many times we have denied Jesus,
let us pray to the Lord.

All

Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For grace to seek out those habits of sin which mean spiritual death,
and by prayer and self-discipline to overcome them,
let us pray to the Lord.

All

Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For those who still make Jerusalem a battleground,
let us pray to the Lord,

All

Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For those who have the courage and honesty
to work openly for justice and peace,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For those who, weighed down with hardship, failure or sorrow,
feel that God is far from them,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor That we, with those who have died in faith,
may find mercy in the day of Christ,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

**Holy God,
holy and strong,
holy and immortal,
have mercy upon us.**

Please stand.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

President Once we were far off,
but now in union with Christ Jesus
we have been brought near
through the shedding of Christ's blood,
for he is our peace.

All The peace of the Lord be always with you
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

My song is love unknown,
My Saviour's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown,
That they might lovely be.
O, who am I, that for my sake
My Lord should take
Frail flesh, and die?

He came from his blest throne,
Salvation to bestow:
But men made strange, and none
The longed-for Christ would know.
But O, my Friend, my Friend indeed,
Who at my need
His life did spend!

Sometimes they strew his way,
And his sweet praises sing;
Resounding all the day
Hosannas to their King.
Then 'Crucify!' Is all their breath,
And for his death
They thirst and cry.

They rise, and needs will have
My dear Lord made away;
A murderer they save,
The Prince of Life they slay.
Yet cheerful he to suffering goes,
That he his foes
From thence might free.

**Here might I stay and sing,
No story so divine;
Never was love, dear King,
Never was grief like thine!
This is my Friend, in whose sweet praise
I all my days
Could gladly spend.**

*NEH 86 vv. 1-3, 5, 7
Words: Samuel Crossman (1624-1683)
Music: LOVE UNKNOWN John Ireland (1879-1962)*

The gifts and people are censed as the organist improvises.

Prayer at the Preparation of the Table

President Jesus, true vine and bread of life,
ever giving yourself that the world might live,
let us share your death and passion:
make us perfect in your love.
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 and just,
our duty and salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For as the time of his passion and resurrection draws near,
the whole world is called
to acknowledge his hidden majesty.
The power of the life-giving cross
reveals the judgement that has come upon the world
and the triumph of Christ crucified.

He is the victim who dies no more,
the Lamb once slain, who lives for ever,
our advocate in heaven to plead our cause,
exalting us there to join with angels and archangels,
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

All

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:
**Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

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 Standing at the foot of the cross,
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.**

Breaking of the Bread

President Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
All **we proclaim the Lord's death**
 until he comes.

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.

All **We do not presume**
 to come to this your table, merciful Lord,
 trusting in our own righteousness,
 but in your manifold and great mercies.
 We are not worthy
 so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.
 But you are the same Lord
 whose nature is always to have mercy.
 Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
 so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ
 and to drink his blood,
 that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body
 and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
 and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us.
 Amen.

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,
receive our prayer.

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

Motet

Hosanna to the Son of David.
Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna! Thou that sittest in the highest heavens.
Hosanna in excelsis Deo. *Hosanna to God in the highest.*

*Words: St Matthew 21: 9, St Luke 19: 38
Music: Thomas Weelkes (c. 1574–1623)*

Prayer after Communion

President

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ,
you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant,
and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation:
give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King,
to the glory of God the Father.

All

Amen.

**Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Notices may be given after which please stand.

The Dismissal

President Christ crucified draw you to himself,
to find in him a sure ground for faith,
a firm support for hope,
and the assurance of sins forgiven;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
All **Amen.**

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn

**Ride on, ride on, the time is right:
the roadside crowds scream with delight;
palm branches mark the pilgrim way
where beggars squat and children play.**

**Ride on, ride on, your critics wait,
intrigue and rumour circulate;
new lies abound in word and jest,
and truth becomes a suspect guest.**

**Ride on, ride on, while well aware
that those who shout and wave and stare
are mortals who with common breath,
can crave for life and lust for death.**

**Ride on, ride on though blind with tears,
though dumb to speak and deaf to jeers.
Your path is clear, though few can tell
their garments pave the road to hell.**

**Ride on, ride on, the room is let,
the wine matured, the saw is whet;
and dice your death-throes shall attend,
though faith, not fate, dictates your end.**

**Ride on, ride on, God's love demands;
justice and peace lie in your hands.
Evil and angel voices rhyme:
this is the man and this the time.**

Words: John L. Bell (b. 1949) and Graham Maule (1958-2019)

Music: WINCHESTER NEW Adapted from a chorale in Musicalisches Hand-Buch, Hamburg (1690)

Deacon Go in the peace of Christ.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Organ Voluntary

Passacaglia (*from* Katerina Ismailova)

Dmitri Shostakovich (1906-1975)

***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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12.30pm **Holy Eucharist (BCP)** *President: Canon Michael Gisbourne*

3.30pm **Evening Prayer**

5.30pm **Worship featuring Maunder's sacred cantata**
From Olivet to Calvary

Cathedral supporting the Parishes Canon Matthew Pollard is presiding at Hipswell and Colburn and Mrs Nina Harrison is preaching at Littlethorpe

Worship for the Week

Morning Prayer: Monday to Saturday at 8.30am

Evening Prayer: Monday to Saturday 5.30pm (Fri 3.30pm)

Monday 9.00am The Eucharist President: Rt Revd Anna Eltringham
 7.30pm Sung Compline with reflection

Tuesday 9.00am The Eucharist President: Revd Canon Michael Gisbourne
 12noon The Eucharist President: Revd Canon M Glanville-Smith
 7.30pm Sung Compline with reflection

Wednesday 10.00am The Eucharist President: The Dean
 7.30pm Sung Compline with reflection

Maundy 9.00am The Eucharist President: Revd Jeremy Trigg

Thursday 7.30pm Sung Eucharist with Watch of the Passion to Midnight
 President: The Dean Preacher: Very Revd Jane Hedges

Good 10.30am Journey to Jerusalem

Friday 12noon Preaching of the Cross

 1.30pm Good Friday Liturgy

 3.30pm Evening Prayer at the Pieta

Easter Eve 7.30pm Easter Eve Vigil and first Communion of Easter
 President: The Dean Preacher: Very Revd Jane Hedges

Worship Next Sunday, Easter Day, 31st March

8.00am **Eucharist (1662)** *President & Preacher: Canon Michael Gisbourne*

9.30am **Morning Prayer**

10.30am **Festal Eucharist** *President & Preacher:*
The Right Reverend Nicholas Baines, Bishop of Leeds

12.30pm **Eucharist (1662)** *President: Canon Claire Renshaw*

3.30pm **Festal Evensong**

Forthcoming events

Wednesday 27th March & Thursday 28th March 10-12 noon Easter Activities

All children to be accompanied by parent/carer £5 per morning includes refreshments. To pre-book contact yvonnejefferies@riponcathedral.org.uk

Saturday 13th April 10-4pm Spring Food, Home and Garden Show in the Cathedral

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

Refreshments from 12.30pm. Free admission with retiring collection.

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