



RIPON  
CATHEDRAL

**Sung Eucharist**

The Third Sunday of Easter

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April 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 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.

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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**

Today, we continue our observance of the Great Fifty Days of Easter. This is a single period of festival with the tone of joy created at Easter sustained through the following seven weeks and the church celebrates the gloriously risen Christ.

Here at Ripon Cathedral, we lit the Easter Candle at Easter it remains, standing prominently is the Cathedral for all services in this Easter season. The tone of celebration is maintained by the use of the word “Alleluia”, (often translated praise the Lord), which appears frequently in all Easter services both in the Liturgy and in the music. Similarly, the clergy wear their white or gold vestments and the flowers emphasise the joy and brightness of the season.

On the fortieth day of Easter the church has, from the fourth century, celebrated Christ’s ascension. He commissions his disciples to continue his work and he promises the gift of the Holy Spirit, and then he is no longer among them in the flesh. The arrival of the promised gift of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost completes and crowns the 50-day Easter festival.

## **About this service**

The President is The Revd Canon Wendy Wilby, Minor Canon.

The Preacher is The Revd Canon Chancellor, the Revd Canon Matthew Pollard.

The service is sung by the choir of St Robert’s Church Pannal conducted by Kevin Paynes. The mass setting is *The Missa Brevissima* by Thomas Tunnard (1918-2012).

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

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

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*Words of welcome are given by Canon Chancellor.*

# The Gathering

## Processional Hymn

Christ is the King, O friends rejoice!  
Brothers and sisters, with one voice  
make all men know he is your choice: Alleluia!

The first apostles round them drew  
thousands of faithful men and true,  
sharing a faith for ever new: Alleluia!

Then magnify the Lord and raise  
anthems of joy and holy praise  
for Christ's brave saints of ancient days: Alleluia!

O Christian women, Christian men,  
all the world over, seek again  
the Way disciples followed then: Alleluia!

Christ through all ages is the same;  
place the same hope in his great name,  
with the same faith his word proclaim: Alleluia!

Let Love's unconquerable might  
God's people everywhere unite  
in service to the Lord of light: Alleluia!

*NEH 345*

*WORDS: George Bell (1883–1958)*

*Music: VULPIUS (Gelobt sei Gott) Melchior Vulpius Gesangbuch 1609*

## The Greeting

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

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

*The president introduces the service.*

## Prayer of Preparation

*All*            **Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden;  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

## Prayer of Penitence

Deacon            Christ died to sin once for all, and now he lives to God.  
Let us renew our resolve to have done with all that is evil  
and confess our sins in penitence and faith.  
*cf Romans 6.10*

President            Like Mary at the empty tomb,  
we fail to grasp the wonder of your presence.  
Lord, have mercy.

*All*            **Lord, have mercy.**

President            Like the disciples behind locked doors,  
we are afraid to be seen as your followers.  
Christ, have mercy.

*All*            **Christ, have mercy.**

President            Like Thomas in the upper room,  
we are slow to believe.  
Lord, have mercy.

*All*            **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.**

## Gloria in excelsis

Choir

*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

Let us pray

Almighty Father,  
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples  
with the sight of the risen Lord:  
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,  
that we may be strengthened and sustained  
by his risen life  
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;  
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 for ever.

All

**Amen.**

*Please sit.*

# The Liturgy of the Word

## New Testament Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.'

*Acts 3.12-19*

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

*Please stand.*

## Gradual Hymn

**Rejoice! the Lord is King.  
Your Lord and King adore;  
mortals, give thanks and sing,  
and triumph evermore:  
lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.**

**Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,  
the God of truth and love;  
when he had purged our stains,  
he took his seat above:  
lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.**

**His kingdom cannot fail;  
he rules o'er earth and heaven;  
the keys of death and hell  
are to our Jesus given:  
lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.**

**He sits at God's right hand  
till all his foes submit,  
and bow to his command,  
and fall beneath his feet:  
lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.**

*NEH 4:43*

*Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)*

*Music: GOSPAL G. F. Handel (1685-1759)*

## The Gospel

*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.

*All* **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

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

*All* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

While the eleven and their companions were talking about what they had heard, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you – that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.'

*Luke 24:36b-48*

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.*

## The Creed

*All*

**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 With confidence and trust let us pray to the Father.

*Please sit.*

*This response is used after each petition:*

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

*And at the end:*

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

*Please stand.*

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

### The Peace

President 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!

All The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**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

*A collection is taken during this hymn. Please look out for the credit / debit card terminals that are also available.*

**It is a thing most wonderful,  
almost too wonderful to be,  
that God's own son should come from heaven,  
and die to save a child like me.**

**And yet I know that it is true:  
he chose a poor and humble lot,  
and wept, and toiled, and mourned, and died  
for love of those who loved him not.**

**But even could I see him die,  
I could but see a little part  
of that great love, which, like a fire,  
is always burning in his heart.**

**It is most wonderful to know  
his love for me so free and sure;  
but 'tis more wonderful to see  
my love for him so faint and poor.**

**And yet I want to love thee, Lord;  
O light the flame within my heart,  
and I will love thee more and more,  
until I see thee as thou art.**

*NEH 84  
Words: William Walsham How (1823–1897)  
Music: HERONGATE Essex folk Song*

## 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  
A//

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

President  
A//

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

President  
A//

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**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:

Choir

*Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
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:  
*All* **Lord, by your cross and resurrection  
you have set us free.  
You are the Saviour of the world.**

President And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice  
made once for the sins of the whole world,  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup  
and we thank you for counting us worthy  
to stand in your presence and serve you.  
Send the Holy Spirit on your people  
and gather into one in your kingdom  
all who share this one bread and one cup,  
so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
St Peter, St Wilfrid and all the saints,  
may praise and glorify you for ever,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.

*All* **Amen.**

*Please sit.*

## The Lord's Prayer

President 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

Choir *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

If ye love me, keep my commandments,  
And I will pray the Father,  
and he shall give you another comforter,  
that he may bide with you forever,  
e'en the spirit of truth;  
Ye know him: for he dwelleth in you, and shall be in you.  
I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you.

*Words: John 14.15-18  
Music: Peter Astin (1938-2013)*

## Prayer after Communion

President      Let us pray.  
  
Living God,  
your Son made himself known to his disciples  
in the breaking of bread:  
open the eyes of our faith,  
that we may see him in all his redeeming work;  
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

*All*            **Amen.**

## Notices

*Banns of Marriage are read, and Notices may be given after which please stand.*

## The Dismissal

President      Alleluia! Christ is risen.  
*All*            **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,  
be among you and remain with you always.

*All*            **Amen.**

## Recessional Hymn

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem  
your sweetest notes employ,  
the paschal victory to hymn  
in strains of holy joy.

How Judah's Lion burst his chains,  
and crushed the serpent's head;  
and brought with him, from death's domains,  
the long-imprisoned dead.

From hell's devouring jaws the prey  
alone our Leader bore;  
his ransomed hosts pursue their way  
where he hath gone before.

Triumphant in his glory now  
his sceptre ruleth all;  
earth, heaven, and hell before him bow,  
and at his footstool fall.

While joyful thus his praise we sing,  
his mercy we implore,  
into his palace bright to bring  
and keep us evermore.

All glory to the Father be,  
all glory to the Son,  
all glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,  
while endless ages run. Alleluia! Amen.

*NEH 124*

*Words: Fulbert of Chartres (d. 1028) tr. Robert Campbell (1814-1868)*

*Music: ST FULBERT Henry Gauntlett (1805-1876)*

Deacon  
All

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

## Organ Voluntary

'God With Us'

*Joe Pinson*

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