



# RIPON CATHEDRAL

## **Sung Eucharist**

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Sunday 21<sup>st</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 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.

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## 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**

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 Chancellor, the Revd Canon Matthew Pollard.

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

The service is sung by the Girl Choristers Choral Scholars and Lay Clerks of the Cathedral choir and the service is sung to the *Communion Service in B flat* by Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924).

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

The flower display is kindly provided by the Ripon 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.

## **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 do not hesitate to contact one of the clergy. You can also contact the Safeguarding Team on 0113 353 0257.

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*Words of welcome are given by the Canon Precentor.*

# The Gathering

*Please stand.*

## Processional Hymn

Christ is made the sure foundation,  
and the precious corner-stone,  
who, the two walls underlying,  
bound in each, binds both in one,  
holy Sion's help for ever,  
and her confidence alone.

All that dedicated city,  
dearly loved by God on high,  
in exultant jubilation  
pours perpetual melody,  
God the One, in threefold glory,  
singing everlastingly.

To this temple, where we call thee,  
come, O Lord of hosts, today;  
with thy wonted loving-kindness,  
hear thy people as they pray;  
and thy fullest benediction  
shed within its walls for ay.

Here vouchsafe to all thy servants  
gifts of grace by prayer to gain;  
here to have and hold for ever,  
those good things their prayers obtain,  
and hereafter, in thy glory,  
with thy blessèd ones to reign.

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 205*

*WORDS: Latin 7<sup>th</sup> cent. tr. J. M Neale (1818-1866)*

*Music: WESTMINSTER ABBEY Henry Purcell (1659-1695)*

## 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  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you  
*All* **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 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, 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.

## The Collect

President Let us pray:  
Almighty God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life:  
raise us, who trust in him,  
from the death of sin to the life of righteousness,  
that we may seek those things which are above,  
where he 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.

The Jewish rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is "the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone." There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.

*Acts 4.5-12*

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

*Please stand.*

## Gradual Hymn

**The King of love my Shepherd is,  
whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his  
and he is mine for ever.**

**Where streams of living water flow  
my ransomed soul he leadeth,  
and where the verdant pastures grow  
with food celestial feedeth.**

**Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,  
but yet in love he sought me,  
and on his shoulder gently laid,  
and home, rejoicing, brought me.**

**In death's dark vale I fear no ill  
with thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
thy cross before to guide me.**

**Thou spread'st a table in my sight;  
thy unction, grace bestoweth:  
and O what transport of delight  
from thy pure chalice floweth!**

**And so through all the length of days  
thy goodness faileth never;  
good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
within thy house for ever.**

*NEH 457ii*

*Words: Ps. 23 versified by H. W. Baker (1821-1877)*

*Music: DOMINUS REGIT ME J. B. Dykes (1823-1876)*

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

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away – and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

*John 10.11-18*

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 Let us pray for God to be known and obeyed  
in the Church and the world.

*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.*

**There's a wideness in God's mercy  
Like the wideness of the sea;  
there's a kindness in his justice  
which is more than liberty.  
There is no place where earth's sorrows  
are more felt than up in heaven;  
there is no place where earth's failings  
have such kindly judgement given.**

**For the love of God is broader  
than the measure of our mind;  
and the heart of the Eternal  
is most wonderfully kind.  
But we make his love too narrow  
by false limits of our own;  
and we magnify his strictness  
with a zeal he will not own.**

**There is plentiful redemption  
in the blood that has been shed;  
there is joy for all the members  
in the sorrows of the Head.  
There is grace enough for thousands  
of new worlds as great as this;  
there is room for fresh creations  
in that upper home of bliss.**

**If our love were but more simple,  
we should take him at his word;  
and our lives would be all gladness  
in the joy of Christ our Lord.**

*NEH 461*

*Words: F. W. Faber (1814-1863)*

*Music: CORVEDALE (AM 806) Maurice Bevan (1921-2006)*

## 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  
*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, 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 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*

Jesus Christ is Lord:

**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

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

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness:  
and forgive me all my sin.  
For I acknowledge my faults:  
and my sin is ever before me.

*Words: Psalm 51.2-3  
Music: Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)*

## Prayer after Communion

President        Let us pray.  
  
                    Merciful Father,  
                    you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd,  
                    and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:  
                    keep us always under his protection,  
                    and give us grace to follow in his steps;  
                    through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
  
All                **Amen.**

## Notices

*Banns of Marriage are read, and Notices may be given.*

*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

We have a gospel to proclaim,  
good news for men in all the earth,  
the gospel of a Saviour's name:  
we sing his glory, tell his worth.

Tell of his birth at Bethlehem,  
not in a royal house or hall,  
but in a stable dark and dim:  
the Word made flesh, a light for all.

Tell of his death at Calvary,  
hated by those he came to save,  
in lonely suff'ring on the cross:  
for all he loved, his life he gave.

Tell of that glorious Easter morn,  
empty the tomb, for he was free:  
he broke the power of death and hell  
that we might share his victory.

Tell of his reign at God's right hand,  
by all creation glorified:  
He sends his Spirit on his Church,  
to live for him, the Lamb who died.

Now we rejoice to name him King:  
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.  
This gospel message we proclaim;  
we sing his glory, tell his worth.

*NEH 486*

*Words: Eddie Burns (b. 1938)*

*Music: FULDA William Gardiner (1770-1853)*

Deacon  
*All*

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

## Organ Voluntary

Praeambulum primi toni a5

*Matthias Weckmann (1616-1674)*

*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.*

**Please stay for tea | coffee | cakes | biscuits in the South Transept.**