



RIPON CATHEDRAL

Festal Eucharist

St Michael and All Angels

Sunday 29th September 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 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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About this service

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

The Preacher is The Rt Revd Gordon Bates, former Bishop of Whitby.

The service is sung by the girl choristers, choral scholars and lay clerks of the cathedral choir to the *Messe solennelle* by Louis Vierne (1870-1937).

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Words of welcome are given by the Canon Chancellor.

The Gathering

Processional Hymn

Please stand.

**Angel-voices ever singing
round thy throne of light,
angel-harps for ever ringing,
rest not day nor night;
thousands only live to bless thee
and confess thee Lord of might.**

Thou who art beyond the farthest
mortal eye can scan,
can it be that thou regardest
songs of sinful man?
Can we know that thou art near us,
and wilt hear us? Yea, we can.

For we know that thou rejoicest
o'er each work of thine;
thou didst ears and hands and voices
for thy praise design;
craftsman's art and music's measure
for thy pleasure all combine.

In thy house, great God, we offer
of thine own to thee;
and for thine acceptance proffer
all unworthily
hearts and minds and hands and voices
in our choicest psalmody.

Honour, glory, might, and merit
thine shall ever be,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
blessèd Trinity.
Of the best which thou hast given
earth and heaven render thee.

NEH 336
Words: Francis Pott (1832-1909)
Music: ANGEL VOICES E. G. Monk (1819-1900)

The organist improvises until the censuring is complete.

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 We have come to Mount Zion,
the city of the living God,
the heavenly Jerusalem,
to myriads of angels,
to God, the judge of all,
and to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

President Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory.
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

President Woe is me, for I am lost;
I am a person of unclean lips.
Christ, have mercy.

All **Christ, have mercy.**

President Our guilt is taken away,
and our sin is forgiven.
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

The Absolution

President God the Father forgive you
by the death of his Son
and strengthen you
to live in the power of the Spirit
all your days.

All **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

Gloria in excelsis Deo et in terra pax
hominibus bonæ voluntatis.

Laudamus te, benedicimus te,
adoramus te, glorificamus te,
gratias agimus tibi propter magnam
gloriam tuam, Domine Deus, Rex
cælestis, Deus Pater omnipotens.

Domine Fili unigenite, Iesu Christe,
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris,
qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere
nobis; qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus
Dominus, tu solus Altissimus, Iesu
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

Let us pray.

Everlasting God,
you have ordained and constituted the ministries of angels
and mortals in a wonderful order:
grant that as your holy angels always serve you in heaven,
so, at your command,
they may help and defend us on earth;
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 book of Revelation.

War broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world – he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming, ‘Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah, for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the face of death. Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you with great wrath,

Revelation 12.7-12

This is the word of the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gradual Hymn

**Around the throne of God a band
of glorious angels ever stand;
bright things they see, sweet harps they hold,
and on their heads are crowns of gold.**

**Some wait around him, ready still
to sing his praise and do his will;
and some, when he commands them, go
to guard his servants here below.**

**Lord, give thy angels every day
command to guide us on our way,
and bid them every evening keep
their watch around us while we sleep.**

**So shall no evil thing draw near,
to do us harm or cause us fear;
and we shall dwell, when life is past,
with angels round thy throne at last.**

NEH 1:91

Words: John Mason Neale (1818–66)

Music: SOLOTHURN trad. Swiss melody

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 light of the world, says the Lord. Whoever follows
me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.
All **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

The Gospel is censed.

Deacon Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.
All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

John 1.47-51

All This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

The organist improvises as the gospel party returns.

The Sermon

Please sit at the invitation of the preacher.

After the sermon, please stand with the president.

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 In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,
let us pray to the Father.

Please sit.

This response is used after each petition:

Intercessor Lord, hear us,
All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

And at the end:

Intercessor we worship you, we give you glory,
we sing your praise and exalt you for ever.
All **Amen.**

Please stand.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

President Hear again the song of the angels:
'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth 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

A collection is taken during this hymn. If you wish to give by a credit / debit card, please look out for the terminals that are available.

**How shall I sing that majesty
which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie;
sing, sing ye heavenly choir.
Thousands of thousands stand around
thy throne, O God most high;
ten thousand times ten thousand sound
thy praise; but who am I?**

**Thy brightness unto them appears,
whilst I thy footsteps trace;
a sound of God comes to my ears,
but they behold thy face.
They sing because thou art their Sun;
Lord, send a beam on me;
for where heaven is but once begun
there alleluias be.**

**Enlighten with faith's light my heart,
inflame it with love's fire;
then shall I sing and bear a part
with that celestial choir.
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold,
with all my fire and light;
yet when thou dost accept their gold,
Lord, treasure up my mite.**

**How great a being, Lord, is thine,
which doth all beings keep!
Thy knowledge is the only line
to sound so vast a deep.
Thou art a sea without a shore,
a sun without a sphere;
thy time is now and evermore,
thy place is everywhere.**

NEH 373

Words: John Mason (c. 1646-1694)

Music: COE FEN Ken Naylor (1931-1991)

The organist improvises as the gifts are censed.

Taking of the Bread and Wine

President God of glory,
as you appointed angels to minister in your presence,
so may all our worship bring you worthy praise;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
A// **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

President The Lord be with you
A// **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.
A// **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

President It is indeed right and good,
our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God,
through your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

You reveal your wise purpose
for the salvation of the human race
by assigning to the angels and archangels
the ministry of your steadfast love and protection.

While they contemplate your glory,
standing before you and singing your praise,
they keep a faithful vigil for us,
guarding us along the way that leads to life,
and guiding us towards the kingdom of your light.

In joyful gladness we unite our voices with theirs
and sing the ageless hymn of your praise:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venit in nomine
Domini Hosanna in excelsis.

*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

All

Christ is the bread of life:

**When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,
until you come in glory.**

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.

The Lord's Prayer

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

All

**Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

President We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

All

**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

The Giving of Communion

President Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*We welcome communicants of all denominations to receive holy communion.
If you require a gluten-free wafer, please indicate this to the minister. 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.*

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

Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi.
Miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi.
Dona nobis pacem.

*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

Give us the wings of faith to rise within the veil, and see
the saints above, how great their joys, how bright their glories be.
We ask them whence their victory came: they, with one united breath,
ascribe their conquest to the Lamb, their triumph to his death.

They marked the footsteps that he trod, his zeal inspired their breast,
and, following their incarnate God, they reached the promised rest.

*Words: Isaac Watts (1674–1748)
Music: Ernest Bullock (1890-1979)*

Prayer after Communion

President Lord of heaven,
in this eucharist you have brought us near
to an innumerable company of angels
and to the spirits of the saints made perfect:
as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage
we have shared their fellowship,
so may we come to share their joy in heaven;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All

Amen.

Notices

Notices may be given, after which please stand.

The Dismissal

The Blessing

President God keep you in the fellowship of his saints;
Christ protect you by the ministry of the angels;
the Spirit make you holy in God's service;
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

O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
be thou for ever near me, my Master and my Friend;
I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my Guide.

O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will;
O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen, thou Guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee,
that where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be;
and, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.

O let me see thy footmarks, and in them plant mine own;
my hope to follow duly is in thy strength alone;
O guide me, call me, draw me, uphold me to the end;
and then in heaven receive me, my Saviour and my Friend.

NEH 420

Words: John Bode (1816-1874)

Music: WOLVERCOTE W. H. Ferguson (1874-1950)

The Dismissal

Deacon
All

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Organ Voluntary

Hymne au Soleil

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

After the service, please join us in the south transept for a coffee, tea or juice.