



RIPON CATHEDRAL

Harvest Thanksgiving Eucharist

Sunday 5th October 2025

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 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, 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.



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About this service

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

The Preacher is the Canon Pastor, The Revd Canon Wendy Dalrymple.

The service is sung by the boy choristers, choral scholars and lay clerks of the Cathedral choir to the *Spatzenmesse (K. 220)*, by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791).

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

This Sunday the whole Cathedral congregation worships together. Mustard Seeds and Mighty Trees for the younger ones amongst us, will have their activities again from next Sunday.

Safeguarding

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Other independent services you may wish to contact are:

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National Domestic Abuse Line 0808 2000 247

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 present any Harvest gifts
during the gradual hymn**

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Words of welcome are given by The Canon Pastor.

The Gathering

Processional Hymn

Please stand.

Come, ye thankful people, come,
raise the song of harvest-home!
All be safely gathered in,
ere the winter storms begin;
God, our Maker, doth provide
for our wants to be supplied;
come to God's own temple, come;
raise the song of harvest home!

All the world is God's own field,
fruit unto his praise to yield;
wheat and tares together sown,
unto joy or sorrow grown;
first the blade and then the ear,
then the full corn shall appear:
grant, O harvest Lord, that we
wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord our God shall come,
and shall take his harvest home;
from his field shall purge away
all that doth offend, that day;
Give his angels charge at last
in the fire the tares to cast,
but the fruitful ears to store
in his garner evermore.

Then, thou Church triumphant, come,
raise the song of harvest-home;
all be safely gathered in,
free from sorrow, free from sin,
there for ever purified
in God's garner to abide:
come, ten thousand angels, come,
raise the glorious harvest-home!

NEH 259

Words: Henry Alford (1810–71)

Music: ST GEORGE'S WINDSOR George Elvey (1816–93)

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.**

President The land has yielded its harvest.
All **God, our God has blessed us.**

Words of welcome and introduction to the service.

Prayers of Penitence

Deacon Let us confess our forgetfulness of the needs of the poor,
and repent of the ways in which we waste
the resources of the world.

President We confess to you
our lack of care for the world you have given us.
Lord, have mercy.
All **Lord, have mercy.**

President We confess to you
our selfishness in not sharing the earth's bounty fairly.
Christ, have mercy.
All **Christ, have mercy.**

President We confess to you
our failure to protect resources for others.
Lord, have mercy.
All **Lord, have mercy.**

Absolution

President God the Father of all mercies
cleanse you from your sins, and restore you in his image
to the praise and glory of his name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
All **Amen.**

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.*

Please remain standing.

Collect

President In a time of silence, let us pray that our worship will bring us
closer to the one who has created all things.

Eternal God,
you crown the year with your goodness
and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season:
grant that we may use them to your glory,
for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being;
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

Old Testament Reading

A retelling of Genesis 1.1-2.3 led by Canon Wendy, Beth Wickenden and some of our Mustard Seeds. Please join in with the actions and singing to the traditional tune of 'Here we go round the mulberry bush'

**God the Maker made the world,
Made the world, made the world.
God the Maker, made the world
And it was good!**

**In the beginning all was dark...
Sssh! Ssssh! Ssssh!**

**Let there be light, and there was light...
And it was good!**

**Let there be sky, and there was sky...
And it was good!**

**Let there be plants and there were plants...
And it was good!**

**Let there be sun and moon and stars,
And it was good!**

**Let there be fish and there were fish...
And it was good!**

**Let there be birds and there were birds...
And it was good!**

**Let there be animals and there were animals...
And it was good!**

**Let there be people and there were people...
And it was good!**

**Time to rest now. Sssh! Sssh!
Ssssh! Ssssh! Ssssh! Ssssh!
Time to rest now. Sssh! Sssh!
It was very good!**

Reader
A//

For the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gradual Hymn

Any harvest gifts are brought and presented at the altar as this hymn is sung.

We plough the fields, and scatter
The good seed on the land,
But it is fed and watered
By God's almighty hand;
He sends the snow in winter,
The warmth to swell the grain,
The breezes and the sunshine,
And soft refreshing rain:
*All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above,
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all his love.*

He only is the Maker
Of all things near and far,
He paints the wayside flower,
He lights the evening star.
The winds and waves obey him,
By him the birds are fed;
Much more to us, his children,
He gives our daily bread:
*All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above,
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all his love.*

The organist improvises as harvest gifts continue to be received.

We thank thee then, O Father,
For all things bright and good;
The seed-time and the harvest,
Our life, our health, our food.
No gifts have we to offer
For all thy love imparts,
But that which thou desirest,
Our humble, thankful hearts:
*All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above,
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all his love.*

NEH 262

Words: German, Matthias Claudius (1740-1815)

Music: WIR PFLÜGEN Melody by J. A. P. Schulz (1747-1800)

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 Lift up your eyes,
and see that the fields are ripe for harvesting.
Gather the fruit for eternal life.

All **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

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

When they found Jesus on the other side of the sea, the crowd said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' Then they said to Jesus, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat."' Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.' Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

John 6.25-35

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

A short organ fanfare is played as the Gospel procession returns.

Harvest Reflection

Please sit at the invitation of the speaker.

After the sermon, please stand with the president.

Affirmation of Faith

President Let us declare our faith in God.

All **We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Please sit.

Prayers of Intercession

President Let us ask the God of creation to send a blessing upon us.

Please sit.

This response is used after each petition:

Intercessor We ask in faith:
All **we ask you to hear us, good Lord.**

And at the end:

President We ask you to hear us, good Lord,
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

All **Amen.**

Please stand.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

President The harvest of the Spirit is love, joy, peace,
 patience, kindness, goodness,
 faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

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 to those around 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. Card readers will be
brought round for those who prefer to give by card.
Alternatively, please use this QR Code.*



**God, the maker of the heavens,
and the planet that we share,
show us how to live, like Jesus,
lives of gratitude and care.
Make us mindful of the footprints
from the lives that we pursue.
Make us partners in your mission:
you are making all things new.**

**God, the gardener of Eden,
teach us how to tend this earth,
learning from the changing seasons,
times of fallow and new birth.
Lord have mercy when we're careless,
rich resources we misuse.
Use our hands to heal creation:
you are making all things new.**

God of labour and vocation,
Lord of science, trade and art,
take our efforts and our passions
make them mirrors of your heart.
Every habitat and creature
loved and valued, God, by you.
May our lives reveal your Kingdom:
you are making all things new.

Words: Sam Hargreaves (b. 1979)

Music: BLAENWERN William Rowlands (1860-1937) (NEH 408)

Taking of the Bread and Wine

President As the grain once scattered in the fields
and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside
are now reunited on this table in bread and wine,
so Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together
from the corners of the earth into your kingdom.
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.**

Lord of all life,
you created the universe,
where all living things reflect your glory.

You give us the fish in the sea,
the birds of the air,
and every plant and tree;
the life that sleeps in the winter earth,
and awakens again in the spring.

You made us all,
each wonderfully different,
to join with the angels and sing 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.*

We thank you, loving Father,
because, when we turned away, you sent Jesus, your Son.
He gave his life for us on the cross
and shows us the way to live.

Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine
may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

On the night before he died,
when darkness had fallen,
Jesus took bread.
He gave thanks, broke it,
and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my body, given for you.
Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine,
gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many,
for the forgiveness of sins.'

So Father, with this bread and this cup
we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life.
As you feed us with these gifts,
send your Holy Spirit,
and change us more and more
to be like Jesus our Saviour.

Help us, Father, to love one another,
as we look forward to that day
when suffering is ended,
and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.
And now with The Blessed Virgin Mary,
St Peter, St Wilfrid and all your saints
we give you glory, through Jesus Christ,
in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever.

Amen.

A//

Please sit.

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 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 minister.*

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

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is:
blest is the man that trusteth in him.

*Words: Ps. 34.8
Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)*

Prayer after Communion

President Eternal God,
 you crown the year with your goodness
 and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season:
 grant that we may use them to your glory,
 for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
All **Amen.**

Notices

Notices may be given, after which, please stand.

The Dismissal

The Blessing

President May God our creator, who clothes the lilies
 and feeds the birds of the air, bestow on you his care
 and increase the harvest of your righteousness;
 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

Now thank we all our God,
with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things hath done,
in whom his world rejoices;
who from our mother's arms
hath blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours to-day.

O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us in his grace,
and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills
in this world and the next

All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given,
the Son, and him who reigns
with them in highest heaven,
the One eternal God,
whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore. Amen.

NEH 413

Words: German, Martin Rinkart (1586–1649), tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827–78)

Music: NUN DANKET from Johann Crüger's Praxis pietatis melica c. 1647

Deacon Tend the earth, care for God's good creation,
and bring forth the fruits of righteousness.
Go in the peace of Christ
A// **Thanks be to God.**

Organ Voluntary

Fugue (*from* Sonata No. 3)

Josef Gabriel Rheinberger (1839-1901)

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