

SOUTHWARK
◆ CATHEDRAL ◆

The Eucharist

Welcome to Southwark Cathedral

Set on the south bank of the River Thames in one of the most vibrant and diverse communities in London, this building has been a constant witness in a place of change.

The first church was built on this site around the year 606. First a convent, then a monastery, it became in 1106 the Augustinian Priory of St Mary Overie. With Westminster Abbey and St Bartholomew the Great in Smithfield it is one of the three remaining great monastic churches of London. At the Reformation the Priory became a parish church and it remains so for the people of Bankside. In 1905, as south London was rapidly expanding, the church was consecrated as the cathedral for the new Diocese of Southwark.

As well as a place of constant witness to our faith in Jesus Christ, this church has a momentous and proud history and has had links with many famous and influential characters including St Thomas Becket, Geoffrey Chaucer, William Shakespeare and Charles Dickens.

In the 20th century this cathedral was at the heart of the new movement in theology termed 'South Bank Religion'. This movement asked challenging questions of people about faith in the modern age which continue to be explored at Southwark Cathedral which describes itself as 'inclusive: faithful: radical'.

Whatever has brought you here today, you are most welcome. Become part of the life here if you can; it will change your life as you encounter with us our living God.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andrew Nunn". The letters are stylized and connected, with a long, sweeping flourish extending from the end of the name.

Andrew Nunn
Dean of Southwark

Whilst we are unable to offer you printed material at our services we hope that this will help you to join us in worship.

When it comes to the time of Communion please form a single line down the centre of the nave. Please maintain a responsible distance between you and the person in front. Communion is in one kind only and will be given in silence. You may come for a blessing which will also be given in silence. After receiving the host please return to your seat via the side aisles.

You are most welcome and thank you for joining us.

Stand **The Greeting**

President In the name of the Father
and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit

All **Amen.**

All The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Prayers of Penitence

The President invites the congregation to call to mind their sins and their need of God's forgiveness with these or other words

All Let us confess our sins to Almighty God in penitence and in faith
Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

Kyrie Eleison

May be said.

All Lord have mercy
Lord have mercy

All Christ have mercy
Christ have mercy

All Lord have mercy
Lord have mercy

The Absolution

The President declares God's forgiveness.

The Gloria

Said on major feast days.

All

**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

The President collects together the intentions of the people with a special prayer for the day or the week.

The Liturgy of the Word

Sit

First Reading

At the end, the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel

The Lord be with you

All

and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ
according to N

At the end, the reader says

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

Prayers of Intercession

Each section of the prayers ends with

Lord in your mercy

All

hear our prayer.

or

Lord, hear us.

All

Lord, graciously hear us.

The President concludes the prayers with these or other words

All

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Stand

The Peace

The President introduces the peace and then says

All

The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

The Preparation of the Table

As bread and wine are placed on the altar, the President may use prayers which conclude with the following response

Blessed be God for ever

The Eucharistic Prayer

All The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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

All Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

The President prays the preface, after which we all say

All **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.**

*The Eucharistic prayer continues. One of
the following Acclamations may be used*

All Great is the mystery of faith:
**Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

or

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

*At the end of the Eucharistic prayer, the
congregation says*

All **Amen.**

or

All **Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

All

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray.
**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.**

All

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Agnus Dei

May be said.

All

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.**

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

or

**Jesus, Lamb of God,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world,
grant us peace.**

*The President invites the congregation to
make their communion using these words*

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.**

The president will then say 'The body of Christ' and 'The blood of Christ' after which you are invited to say

All Amen.

Stand **Prayer after Communion**

A brief silence is kept. The President then prays a Post Communion prayer, after which the following prayer may be said

**All Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your
 Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls
 and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen.**

The Dismissal

*The President pronounces God's blessing
and the congregation replies*

All **Amen.**

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

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