

The Eucharist

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 26 July 2020 11.00am

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.

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Organist

Ian Keatley, Director of Music

Cantor

Joshua Pacey, Lay Clerk

Voluntary

We stand for the entrance of the clergy and altar party.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

Welcome in the name of Christ.
God's grace, mercy and peace be with you
All and also with you.

Introduction to the confession

May your loving mercy come to me, O Lord, and your salvation according to your word: Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Your word is a lantern to my feet and a light to my path: Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

O let your mercy come to me that I may live, for your law is my delight: Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive you your sins, open your eyes to God's truth, strengthen you to do God's will and give you the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Gloria

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

Let us pray.

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

We sit for the readings

First Reading

1 Kings 3. 5-12

Read by Sally McCormick.

A reading from the first book of Kings.

At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, 'Ask what I should give you.' And Solomon said, 'You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in

righteousness, and in uprightness of heart towards you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?'

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, 'Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 119. 129-136

Response Order my steps by your word.

Your testimonies are wonderful; therefore my soul keeps them. The opening of your word gives light; it gives understanding to the simple. **R**

I open my mouth and draw in my breath, as I long for your commandments.

Turn to me and be gracious to me, as is your way with those who love your name. **R**

Order my steps by your word, and let no wickedness have dominion over me. Redeem me from earthly oppressors so that I may keep your commandments. **R**

Show the light of your countenance upon your servant and teach me your statutes.

My eyes run down with streams of water, because the wicked do not keep your law. **R**

Second Reading

Romans 8. 26-39

Read by Paddy Gormley.

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand

of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

'For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.'

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

We stand for the reading of the Gospel

All Alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said, 'The kingdom of God is among you'

All Alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 13. 31-33, 44-52

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.'

He told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.'

'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. 'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

'Have you understood all this?' They answered, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit for

Homily

The Reverend Canon Mandy Ford, Chancellor

We keep silence and then stand

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.

We sit or kneel for the prayers

Prayers of Intercession

Led by Lesley Black.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near.

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

We sit for

Anthem

Verbum supernum, mode viii (269)

We stand for the Eucharistic Prayer

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you All and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. From sunrise to sunset this day is holy, for Christ has risen from the tomb and scattered the darkness of death with light that will not fade. This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people, unfolds for us your word, and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread. And though the night will overtake this day you summon us to live in endless light, the never-ceasing sabbath of the Lord. And so, with choirs of angels and with all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join their unending song of praise:

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.

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.

Great is the mystery of faith.

All Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

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 Mary the Mother of Jesus, 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

As our Saviour taught us so we pray.

All 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.

Breaking of the Bread

Amen.

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.

Invitation to Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins 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 makes their communion saying

The Body of Christ

We respond

All Amen.

The Blood of Christ

We respond

All Amen.

Please follow the directions of the Stewards. Communion is given in one kind only and in silence. If you would like to receive a blessing please bow your head. The blessing will be given in silence. Please return to your seat by the side aisles and respect your distance at all times.

Anthem

Agnus Dei: Missa in simplicitate · Jean Langlais

Please stand for the final prayers

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life,

ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup,

we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love;

for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

All Amen.

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.

Please sit for

Notices

Please stand for the blessing and dismissal

The Dismissal

The Lord be with you All and also with you.

The Lord bless you and watch over you, the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you, the Lord look kindly on you and give you peace; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

Please leave the cathedral by the north-west doors and the Millennium Courtyard. Please support us by giving using the contactless donation points if you have not set up a regular payment.

Thank you for joining us. We look forward to welcoming you back.

Notices

Worship at the Cathedral

Sunday 26 July The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

- 9.00am Morning Prayer (online)
 Officiant Canon Mandy Ford
- 11.00am Cathedral EucharistPreacher Canon Mandy Ford, Chancellor
- 3.00pm Evensong
 Preacher The Reverend David Adamson, Curate
- 8.00pm Night Prayer (online)
 Officiant The Dean

Monday 27 July - Saturday 1 August

- 9.00am Morning Prayer (online)
- 12.30pm Prayer during the Day (in the Cathedral)
- 12.45pm The Eucharist (in the Cathedral)
- 8.00pm Night Prayer (online)

Sunday 2 August The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

- 9.00am Morning Prayer (online)Officiant Canon Jay Colwill, Missioner
- 11.00am Cathedral Eucharist
 Preacher Canon Jay Colwill, Missioner
- 3.00pm Evensong with the Licensing of the Reverend Dr Alun Ford as Chaplain to the Bishop Preacher – The Bishop of Southwark
- 8.00pm Night Prayer (online)
 Officiant The Dean

New Canon Chancellor

We are delighted to be able to announce that the Bishop of Southwark announced last week that he has appointed The Reverend Canon Wendy Robins as the new Diocesan Director of Discipleship, Lay Ministry and Continuing Ministerial Development. This role is held jointly with the role of Canon Chancellor at Southwark Cathedral. She succeeds the Reverend Canon Mandy Ford, who has been appointed Dean of Bristol. This is a newly constituted role, following a review of the Department. The Director's role now has a particular focus on lay

ministry and continuing ministerial development and a separate role has been created for the development of curates. Wendy and her family are of course well known to us all. In the Diocesan press release to announce this appointment the Dean said

"I am delighted at the appointment of Canon Wendy Robins as Canon Chancellor. Wendy, with family, have been part of the Cathedral community for many years and she has served the Cathedral over this time as an assistant priest and has contributed already in many ways to our life. As Chancellor she can take her place in the life of the Chapter and bring even more of her many skills to enrich our life and further our mission."

There isn't a date yet for Wendy's installation. Please keep her and Alan, William and Robyn in your prayers as she makes this huge change in her ministry.

Opening to Visitors

We are delighted to be able to announce that the Cathedral will be fully open to visitors from Monday 3 August. Opening times will remain from 10am until 3pm but people will be able to visit the whole of the Cathedral as well as the churchyard. An added attraction will be the recently installed statue of Shakespeare musing on a bench. We are actively

encouraging visitors to come to the Churchyard to sit with and take photo with the bard, using the hashtag #withthebard on our social network platforms, Twitter @Southwarkcathed and Instagram southwark_cathedral.

The Cafe will be open from Wednesday 5 August and will be open from Wednesday to Sunday each week. From 1 August we are able to accept room bookings. So if you know of people needing meeting space then please direct them to the Cathedral. We will make sure they have a room of the correct size to enable social distancing.

Special Appeal

Do you have an old mobile phone with a charger that you no longer need? Our friends at ArtPeace who create such wonderful pieces we sell through the shop like the one above named 'Lion protecting Woman', need phones. Their old mobiles have seen better days when and many have given up the ghost. They need phones in good working order with a charger (this is important). iPhones do not appear to work terribly well in Zimbabwe for some reason. Ideally phones should be around 3 years old or thereabouts – from experience problems set in if they are older and batteries fade – even a modest repair costs a minimum of 25\$ – well above their

means. Mobiles are not a luxury as people can't afford computers and so this is their only digital access point. If you have a phone you could donate please bring it to the Cathedral and give it to the Welcomer on duty.

The Bard in the Yard

Southwark Cathedral are delighted to host *Bard in the Yard*, a new play by Will & Co theatre company. William Shakespeare, aka "The Bard", is stuck in London during the plague quarantine of 1605. Quite literally stuck. While everyone's expecting him to write a masterpiece, he's spending his time baking sourdough bread and reading up on Ben Jonson's latest run around the Tower. Fasten your face masks as the Bard takes you on a roller-coaster ride through his classics and uses you, the audience, to help rekindle the fire of his Muse!

There are five performances of *Bard in the Yard* taking place on 7 and 8 August. See the website for booking details.

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