

SOUTHWARK
◆ CATHEDRAL ◆

Eucharist

The Third Sunday of Easter

Sunday 18 April 2021

9.00am

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.

The Easter Season

The climax of the Christian Year is Easter Day and the period that follows it, Eastertide, continues this celebration. Easter is the start of the story of our faith, as far as Christians are concerned, and the reason why Sunday, the first day of the week, became the day on which Christians meet together, unlike our Jewish brothers and sisters who meet on the Sabbath, the last day of the week. On the evening of the resurrection and a week later – the eighth day – the disciples met in the place where they were to encounter the risen Lord. Since that day, Christians have met and marked the paschal events week by week, Sunday by Sunday. The first day of the week has become a regular celebration of the resurrection. It does not matter whether a Sunday falls in the Christmas season, or during Lent or Ordinary Time: it is always the resurrection that is being celebrated.

Eastertide as a season of the Church's year lasts for fifty days. Pentecost is celebrated on the fiftieth day. This corresponds with St Luke's chronology of events, for he tells of Jesus ascending forty days after the resurrection and the Spirit descending upon the church ten days later. This shape to the season was not established, however, until the end of the fourth century. Before that, the Ascension and Pentecost were celebrated on the fiftieth day as one event.

The whole of the fifty days preceding it were seen as both Easter and Pentecost, taking their shape and understanding from St John's account of these events in which the resurrection, ascension and gift of the Spirit are more closely connected in time.

The liturgy encourages us in our celebration of Eastertide over the whole of these fifty days. We wear the very best vestments; the Alleluia is added to responses and greetings throughout the service, and the Paschal Candle, lit at the Easter Vigil, burns brightly in the sanctuary for the whole of the Easter season, reminding us of the real presence of Christ among his people. After it is extinguished on the Feast of Pentecost, this candle is placed beside the font to be lit at baptisms and funerals, the two rites of passage in which we are brought into direct contact with the death and resurrection of Jesus – the journey from sin, the journey to life.

The joy of Easter is that it overturns all our understanding of the way in which life and death work and opens to us a new future. The implications of this Good News are what we continue to discover as together we live out Christ's risen life.

All stand as the President enters.

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

All Amen.

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The President introduces the celebration.

Prayers of Penitence

Christ our passover lamb has been sacrificed for us.
Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice
and evil
and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins.

Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you feed us with the living bread.
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

May the Father of all mercies
cleans 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

**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.

Almighty Father,
who in your great mercy
gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord:
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,
that we may be strengthened
and sustained by his risen life
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;
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.

The Liturgy of the Word

Please sit.

First Reading

Acts 3. 12–19

Read by the Duty Verger.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter addressed the people, ‘You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

‘And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.’

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

1 John 3. 1–7

Read by Juanita Fan.

A reading from the First Letter of John.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one

who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel

Luke 24. 36b–48

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

While the eleven and their companions were talking, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’ They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, ‘Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.’ And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to

them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Canon Leanne Roberts, Treasurer

Please 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.**

Please sit or kneel.

Prayers of Intercession

Led by Jessica Kingsley.

These responses may be used:

Lord, in your mercy
All hear our prayer.

(or)

Lord of life,
All in your mercy, hear us.

And at the end

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Please stand.

The Peace

The two disciples told what had happened on the
road to Emmaus,
and how Jesus had been made known to them
in the breaking of the bread. Alleluia.

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

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 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.

**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

Rejoicing in God's new creation,
as our Saviour has 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.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

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.**

Agnus Dei

**All 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,
have mercy on us.**

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

Invitation to Communion

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The President makes their Communion saying

The body of Christ.

All Amen.

The blood of Christ.

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 central aisle and respect your distance at all times.

Please stand.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

Living God,
your Son made himself known to his disciples
in the breaking of bread:
open the eyes of our faith,
that we may see him in all his redeeming work;
who 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.

Notices

Please stand.

The Blessing and Dismissal

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

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.

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Please leave the cathedral by the north-west doors and the Millennium Courtyard. Please consider supporting 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

Sunday 18 April **The Third Sunday of Easter**

8.30am Morning Prayer (online and in person)
Officiant – Canon Leanne Roberts, Treasurer

9.00am Eucharist (in person)
Preacher – Canon Leanne Roberts, Treasurer

11.00am Cathedral Eucharist (online and in person)
Preacher – Canon Leanne Roberts, Treasurer
Tickets for the service can be booked on
Eventbrite. Some unreserved seats are
always available.

3.00pm Memorial Evensong in thanksgiving for
the life of His Royal Highness The Prince Philip,
Duke of Edinburgh
Preacher – The Rt Revd Christopher Chessun,
Bishop of Southwark
Tickets for the service can be booked here.
Some unreserved seats are always available.

6.00pm Night Prayer (online)
Officiant – The Dean

Monday 19 – Friday 23 April

9.00am Morning Prayer (online and in person)

12.30pm Midday Prayer (in person only)

12.45pm Eucharist (in person only)

5.30pm Choral Evensong or Evening Prayer
(in person only)

8.00pm Night Prayer (online only)

Saturday 24 April

9.00am Morning Prayer (online and in person)

9.30am Eucharist (in person only)

4.00pm Evening Prayer (in person only)

8.00pm Night Prayer (online only)

Sunday 25 April

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

8.30am Morning Prayer (online and in person)
Officiant – The Dean

9.00am Eucharist (in person)

Preacher – The Dean

11.00am Cathedral Eucharist (online and in person)

Preacher – The Dean

Tickets for the service can be booked here.

Some unreserved seats are always available.

3.00pm Choral Evensong (in person)

Preacher – Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean

6.00pm Night Prayer (online)

Officiant – Canon Andrew Zihni, Precentor

The death of His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh

It was with sadness that we heard of the death of His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh last week. A Requiem Eucharist was celebrated in the Cathedral on Monday and on Sunday there will be a Memorial Evensong in Thanksgiving for his life at 3pm. There will be some seats available for the service which will also be live-streamed. You can find the service at <https://cathedral.southwark.anglican.org/worship-and-music/worship/live-service-stream/>

We have had messages from a number of our links. Bishop Godfrey Tawonezvi in Masvingo, Zimbabwe has sent this message to us

My heartfelt condolences on the passing on of Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh. We give thanks and praise to God for the gift of life given to Prince Philip – 99 years just two months short of having reached the age of 100 years. I have been watching the BBC and indeed he leaves behind a legacy that many people throughout the world will remember. You are in our thoughts and prayers as Britain mourns Prince Philip. May his soul rest in peace and rise to eternal glory.

We have also heard from our friends at Rouen Cathedral.

I would like to assure you of our condolences on the death of Prince Philip. I wonder how the Queen is going to react now that her 'rock' has passed away. Best wishes to the community at Southwark Cathedral.

We continue to pray for Prince Philip and for Her Majesty The Queen and the members of the Royal Family and commend him to God's love and mercy. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

A Prayer for the Duke of Edinburgh

*'Well done, thou good and faithful servant:
enter thou into the joy of thy lord.'* (Matthew 25. 21)

God of majesty,
give rest to your servant Philip
who, having served his Queen and Country,
has passed from this life,
full of years yet strong in spirit.
As we give thanks for his life,
as Prince and husband,
as Consort and family man,
we pray that all that he has done
may continue to bear fruit
in the lives of individuals
and the life of this nation and the Commonwealth,
to your honour and glory,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Annual Report and Accounts and revised date for the APCM

for the year ending 31 December 2020 are now available from the Sacristy, or on the Cathedral website. Copies will also be available, along with a summary of the Accounts, at the APCM. As a consequence of the services we are planning to

mark the death of The Duke of Edinburgh we are rescheduling the APCM to 12.30pm on Sunday 25 April.

The Electoral Roll of the Cathedral has been revised and is now published and available for inspection on the Cathedral website.

Fr David Adamson-Hill

David and Amanda will be leaving us in May for pastures new in Croydon. If you would like to contribute to his leaving gift please put it in an envelope marked Fr David's leaving gift and give it to the Cathedral Wardens or clergy. Thank you.

Cathedral Listeners

Our team of Cathedral listeners will be on duty following the Choral Eucharist every Sunday. You can find them, ready and waiting, in the Retrochoir.

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