

SOUTHWARK
◆ CATHEDRAL ◆

Eucharist

The Sixth Sunday of Easter
Rogation Sunday

Sunday 22 May 2022
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.

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 welcomes the congregation and
introduces the celebration.*

Prayers of Penitence

In baptism we died with Christ,
so that as Christ was raised from the dead,
we might walk in newness of life.
Let us receive new life in him
as we confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Silence is kept.

The President prays over a vessel of water.

God our Father,
your gift of water
brings life and freshness to the earth;
in baptism it is a sign
of the washing away of our sins
and the gift of life eternal.
Sanctify this water, we pray.
Renew the living spring of your life within us,
that we may be free from sin
and filled with your saving health;
through Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The President and people are sprinkled.

May the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from all your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in 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.**

Please remain standing.

The Collect

Let us pray.

God our redeemer,
you have delivered us from the power of darkness
and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:
grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life,
so by his continual presence in us he may raise us
to eternal joy;
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 16. 9–15

Read by the Duty Verger.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon us.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 67

The response is

**Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.**

God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face
to shine upon us,
that your way may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations. **R**

O let the nations rejoice and be glad,
for you will judge the peoples righteously
and govern the nations upon earth. **R**

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase,
and God our own God will bless us.
God will bless us,
and all the ends of the earth shall fear him. **R**

Second Reading

Revelation 21. 10, 22–22. 5

Read by Nigel Paine.

A reading from the Revelation of St John.

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

The Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia.

Jesus said, 'I am the resurrection and the life.

Those who believe in me, even though they die,
will live,

and everyone who lives and believes in me will
never die.

All Alleluia.

Gospel

John 14. 23–29

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according
to John.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples, ‘Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

‘I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, “I am going away, and I am coming to you.” If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit.

Sermon

Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor

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.**

Prayers of Intercession

Led by Mark Harrington.

These responses may be used:

Lord, in your mercy,
All hear our prayer.

(or)

Lord, hear us.
All Lord, graciously 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 risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.'

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.
Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

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,
it is our duty and our joy,
at all times and in all places
to give you thanks and praise,
holy Father, heavenly King,
almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

And now we give you thanks
because Christ our paschal sacrifice
has made us children of the light,
rising to new and everlasting life.
He has opened the gates of heaven
to receive his faithful people.
His death is our ransom from death,
his resurrection is our rising to life.
The joy of the resurrection renews the whole world,
while the choirs of heaven sing for ever to your glory.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and singing:

**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.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and as we follow his example and obey his command,
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us his body and his blood;

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.

Therefore, heavenly Father,
we remember his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross;
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and
glorious ascension;
we look for the coming of your kingdom,
and with this bread and this cup
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Jesus Christ is Lord:

**All Lord, by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts
in the presence of your divine majesty,
renew us by your Spirit,
inspire us with your love
and unite us in the body of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise:

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

The Lord's Prayer

Rejoicing in God's new creation, 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.
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.**

Invitation to Communion

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Please follow the directions of the Stewards. If you wish to receive from the chalice please go to the point of administration after receiving the host. We are not permitting intinction. If you would like to receive a blessing please bow your head. Please return to your seat by the side aisles and respect your distance at all times.

Please stand.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

God our Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life:
may we thirst for you,
the spring of life and source of goodness,
through him 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

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

The God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
that great shepherd of the sheep,
through the blood of the eternal covenant,
make you perfect in every good work to do his will,
working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

The Dismissal

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 22 May

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

8.30am Morning Prayer (online and in person)
Officiant – Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor

9.00am Eucharist (in person)
Preacher – Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor

11.00am Choral Eucharist (online and in person)
Preacher – Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor

3.00pm Choral Evensong (in person)
Preacher – Canon Andrew Zihni, Precentor

6.00pm Compline and Benediction (online only)
Officiant – Canon Andrew Zihni, Precentor
Sung by the Merbecke Choir

Monday 23 – Wednesday 25 and Friday 27 May

9.00am Morning Prayer (online and in person)

9.30am Eucharist (in person and Tuesday only)

12.30pm Midday Prayer (in person only)
with the Litany of Reconciliation of the Community
of the Cross of Nails (Fridays only)

12.45pm Eucharist (in person only)

5.30pm Choral Evensong (in person only)

Thursday 26 May **Ascension Day**

8.00am Worship up the Tower for Ascension Day

9.00am Morning Prayer (online and in person)

12.30pm Midday Prayer (in person only)

12.45pm Eucharist (in person only)
Preacher – The Dean

5.00pm Evening Prayer (in person only)

5.30pm Choral Eucharist (online and in person)
Preacher – The Dean

Saturday 28 May

9.00am Morning Prayer (online and in person)

9.30pm Eucharist (in person only)

4.00pm Evening Prayer (in person only)

Sunday 29 May

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

8.30am Morning Prayer (online and in person)

Officiant – The Dean

9.00am Eucharist (in person)

Preacher – The Dean

11.00am Choral Eucharist (online and in person)

Preacher – The Dean

3.00pm Choral Evensong (in person)

Preacher – Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor

6.00pm Compline (online only)

Officiant – Canon Andrew Zihni, Precentor

This week we pray for

Those who are sick

Angie Brown, Barbara Martin, Bea Jones,
Beverley King, Bill Rathbone, Charlotte Davis,
Christine Hill, David Freeman, David Ives,
David Southwell, Dinah Kormi, Duncan Swann,
Elizabeth Hall, Elizabeth Pullen, Frances Crunden,
Gloria Elorriaga Mejia, Godfrey Ashby,

Graeme Clugston, Harriette Kevill-Davies,
Helen Shipley, Hugh Preedy, Ian Ford,
Jean McCarthy, Jo Rumbell, Joan Lawrence,
Jonathan Green, June Smith, Kabby Streater,
Kim Good, Linda Munt, Linda Scott Garnett,
Michelle Shipley, Nan CSF, Naomi Shaw, Neil Clark,
Olu Adams, Patrick Stables, Ron Goddard,
Sarah Rawlins, Soji Temilade, Steph Stevenson,
Sue Blenkinsop, Teddy Thomson-Moore,
Victoria Vashlynn, William Brown.

Those who have died recently

Bill Grainger, John Crockett, Pat Pepper, Sam.

Clergy preaching away

Canon Jay Colwill at All Saints West Dulwich
The Dean at St Luke's Woodside

The APCM

will begin at 12.30 pm in the Nave today.

The Annual Report and Accounts for the year ending 31 December 2021 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 today.

Stewardship and the Cathedral

Look out for the special stewardship leaflet that has been produced for this Sunday as we hold our APCM. We know that these are difficult and uncertain times financially, but we ask you to prayerfully consider your ongoing support of the Cathedral. Thank you for all you already do.

If you are not in the Cathedral you can find the leaflet on the Cathedral website.

Ascension Day

Thursday 26 May

The Feast of the Ascension is celebrated forty days after Easter Day and that is on Thursday 26 May. The day begins with a trip up the tower with the Dean (weather permitting) to sing God's praises, to hear the story from the Acts of the Apostles and to say our prayers looking across the city. (NB it is a real climb so is not suitable for those with mobility or heart or breathing issues). This will be followed by Morning Prayer at 9am. The Dean will be preaching at the Eucharist at 12.45pm and the Choral Eucharist at 5.30pm. We hope that you will join us in person or online.

Children and Young Families

Children and young people are an important part of our Cathedral family and play a vital role in our life together. We would love to encourage your children to join one of our Sunday groups for young people.

Crèche

During the 11.00am Sunday Eucharist crèche facilities are available in the Queen Elizabeth Room for accompanied children under 4.

Junior Xpress

Children meet with two adult leaders at 11.00am on Sundays for a programme of stories and activities designed to help them grow in their faith and understanding. They rejoin their parents in church in time for Holy Communion.

Junior Xpress (School Years 1–6) meets in the Susanna Barford Room (downstairs from Lancelot's Link).

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. So if you would like to speak to someone please go to see them after the service.

If you would like to join our small team of Cathedral listeners please contact the Dean andrew.nunn@southwark.anglican.org

Christian Aid Week

Christian Aid Week is with us once more. While we are grateful that the Covid situation here has markedly improved, many others around the world are still suffering from broader effects of the pandemic. Nations such as Zimbabwe, for example, have been struggling with the combined impact of rising poverty in a slowing post-pandemic economic recovery, conflict, and drought caused by climate change.

Over the next week you will have the opportunity to help in this year's appeal to raise funds for the poorest and those hit hardest from natural and man-made disaster, who drastically need our support. As such, you will see a number of QR codes popping up

around the church over the next several days for you to scan and donate as well. You can donate also by visiting shorturl.at/jAMRO.

Ride London: Road Closures

From Friday 27 to Sunday 29 May 2022, extensive road closures will be necessary in some parts of central London, east London and Essex for the RideLondon festival of cycling. If you live, work or are travelling in these areas during this time, please read the information on the RideLondon website. On Sunday 29 May 2022 there will be more than 100 miles of road closures will be in place throughout the day – significantly impacting central and east London, plus some areas of Essex – for the RideLondon-Essex 100, the mass participation ride that will feature up to 25,000 cyclists.

These foodbanks need your support

This is a time of great, and increasing, hardship for many. Christian charity is needed to help alleviate the suffering.

Food Banks in this area are run by The Trussell Trust. They desperately need volunteer help, in a wide variety of roles, with different commitment levels,

as well as donations of food and money. They can be accessed through their web page or alternatively you can email aliced@btinternet.com for further information.

Close to the Cathedral is the Church of St. George the Martyr. They run a Food Co-operative as well as co-operating with the Trussell Trust. They are also desperately in need of donations of food and money and volunteer labour. They can be contacted at food@stgeorge-themartyr.co.uk or, again, alternatively you can email aliced@btinternet.com for further information.

Please help!

A Safe Church

Any issues relating to the safeguarding of children or vulnerable adults should be directed to the Cathedral Safeguarding Officers:

Cherry James, cherry.james@southwark.anglican.org

Helen Quintrell, hmqmc3@gmail.com

Jill Tilley, jill.tilley@southwark.anglican.org

Concerns can be brought to any member of the clergy.

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