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CHORAL EUCHARIST**

WELCOME TO SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL

A MEMBER OF THE



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Photography and video recording of the Choir is not permitted.

You are welcome to take photographs of the Cathedral but please do not take any photographs or videos during the service.

HEARING LOOP

Please switch your device to 'T'.

POSTURE

The instructions in this booklet are not prescriptive. Please do sit if that is more appropriate for you.

LIVESTREAMING

Please note that some of our services are livestreamed. If you would prefer not to appear in the livestream, please sit in the North Transept.

COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS

During the service, a collection will be taken for the maintenance, mission and worship of the Cathedral.

Cash donations may be placed in the baskets brought around by the stewards.

If you are a UK taxpayer we would be grateful if, before the service begins, you would complete the yellow envelope provided, since this enables us to claim a further 25% from the Inland Revenue.

Contactless donations can be made by tapping the terminal provided by the stewards. This is set at £10 but the stewards would be happy to alter this amount for you.



Alternatively, either before or after the service, there are several donation points in the Cathedral where you can make your donation, or you can simply scan the QR code, or text SOUTHWARK (Amount) to 70085 (one standard rate message is also charged). Thank you very much for your generous support of the Cathedral.

You can also support the Cathedral by buying your books from the ethical online bookseller bookshop.org and designating Southwark Cathedral shop for the 30% of purchase price donation they offer us.

CHORAL EUCHARIST

Please stand as the Procession enters.

◆ Please see the weekly sheet for **THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

THE GATHERING

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.

THE PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Christ the light of the world has come
to dispel the darkness of our hearts.
In his light let us examine ourselves and confess our sins.

All Come let us return to the Lord and say:
Lord our God
in our sin we have avoided your call.
Our love for you is like a morning cloud,
like the dew that goes away early.
Have mercy on us;
deliver us from judgement;
bind up our wounds and revive us;
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Please remain standing as the Choir sings:

KYRIE ELEISON

Kyrie eleison.
Christe eleison.
Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

THE ABSOLUTION

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

- ◆ *Please turn to the weekly sheet for* **THE COLLECT**
followed by **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

Then, please be seated for:

THE SERMON

Please stand for:

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

In the power of the Spirit
and in union with Christ,
let us pray to the Father.

Please be seated or kneel.

One of these responses may be used:

Maranatha.

All Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

All

Let us pray to the Lord,
Lord, have mercy.

At the end one the following may be used:

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

All

Hasten, Lord, the day
when people will come
from east and west,
from north and south,
and sit at your table
in your kingdom
where we shall see
your Son in glory.
Amen.

All

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Please stand.

THE PEACE

In the tender mercy of our God
the dayspring from on high shall break upon us
to give light to those who dwell in darkness
and the shadow of death,
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Please remain standing. Bread and wine are presented at the Altar. A collection is taken (cash or contactless as detailed on page 2). Please use this QR code to donate online.



◆ *Please see the weekly sheet for* **THE OFFERTORY HYMN**

Then, this prayer may be used:

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Look upon us in mercy not in judgement;
draw us from hatred to love;
make the frailty of our praise
a dwelling place for your glory.

All **Amen.**

Please remain standing for:

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.

◆ **from 17 DECEMBER**
go to page 9.

◆ **until 16 DECEMBER**

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise,
almighty God and everlasting Father,
through Jesus Christ your Son.

For when he humbled himself to come among us in human flesh,
he fulfilled the plan you formed before the foundation of the world
to open for us the way of salvation.

Confident that your promise will be fulfilled,
we now watch for the day
when Christ our Lord will come again in glory.

And so we join our voices with angels and archangels
and with all the company of heaven
to proclaim your glory
for ever praising you and singing:

The Choir sings:

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus
Dominus Deus Sabaoth
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria
tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.

(Benedictus qui venit
in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.)

Holy, holy, holy
Lord God of Sabaoth.
Heaven and earth are full of thy
glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

(Blessèd is he that cometh
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.)

Please turn to page 10.



from 17 DECEMBER

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise,
almighty God and everlasting Father,
through Jesus Christ your Son.

He is the one foretold by all the prophets,
whom the Virgin Mother bore with love beyond all telling.
John the Baptist was his herald
and made him known when at last he came.
In his love Christ fills us with joy
as we prepare to celebrate his birth,
so that when he comes again he may find us watching in prayer,
our hearts filled with wonder and praise.

And so, with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your glory,
and join in their unending hymn of praise:

The Choir sings:

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus	Holy, holy, holy
Dominus Deus Sabaoth	Lord God of Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.	Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Hosanna in excelsis.	Hosanna in the highest.

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at all services

the President continues:

We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command,
send your Holy Spirit,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he praised you.
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:
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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

Christ is the bread of life.

All

**When we eat this bread and drink this cup
We proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.**

Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving 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.
Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup
All we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessèd 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.**

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. Please do not dip the host into the chalice. If you would like to receive a blessing please bow your head.

- ◆ *During the distribution, the Choir sings*
AGNUS DEI and THE COMMUNION ANTHEM
(see weekly sheet)

Please stand for:

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand.

Let us pray.

All Generous God
You have fed us at your heavenly table.
Set us on fire with your Spirit
That when Christ comes again
We may shine like lights before his face,
Who with you and the Spirit lives for ever.
Amen.

Please be seated for:

THE NOTICES

- ◆ *Please see the weekly sheet for printed* **NOTICES**

Please stand for:

THE BLESSING

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

The President gives a blessing using these or other appropriate words:

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you
Scatter the darkness from before your path
And make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory;
And the blessing of God Almighty,
The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
Be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

(or)

May God the Father,
Who loved the world so much that he sent his only Son,
Give you grace to prepare for life eternal.

All Amen.

May God the Son, who comes to us as redeemer and judge
Reveal to you the path from darkness to light.

All Amen.

May God the Holy Spirit,
By whose working the Virgin Mary conceived the Christ
Help you to bear the fruits of holiness.

All Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty,
The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
Be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.



*Please see the weekly sheet for **THE FINAL HYMN***

Please remain standing for:

THE DISMISSAL

Our Lord says, "I am coming soon".

All Amen. Come Lord Jesus.

May the Lord, when he comes, find us watching and waiting.

All Amen.



Please see the weekly sheet for **THE VOLUNTARY**

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.

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SOUTHWARK

◆ CATHEDRAL ◆

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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