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◆ CATHEDRAL ◆

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THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY 22 DECEMBER 2024

9.00AM

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HEARING LOOP

Please switch your device to 'T'.

POSTURE

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

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.

Please stand as the President, Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian, enters.

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 President welcomes the congregation and introduces the celebration.

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.

Silence is kept.

**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.**

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.

THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

God our redeemer,
who prepared the Blessèd Virgin Mary
to be the mother of your Son:
grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour,
so we may be ready to greet him
when he comes again as our judge;
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 be seated.

THE FIRST READING

Micah 5.2-5a

Read by the Duty Verger

A reading from the Book of Micah.

But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah,
who are one of the little clans of Judah,
from you shall come forth for me
one who is to rule in Israel,
whose origin is from of old,
from ancient days.

Therefore he shall give them up until the time
when she who is in labour has brought forth;
then the rest of his kindred shall return
to the people of Israel.

And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD,
in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God.

And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great
to the ends of the earth;
and he shall be the one of peace.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

THE ADVENT PROSE

The response is:

**Drop down, ye heavens, from above,
and let the skies pour down righteousness.**

Be not wroth very sore, O Lord,
neither remember iniquity forever:
thy holy cities are a wilderness,
Sion is a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation:
our holy and our beautiful house,
where our fathers praised thee. **R**

We have sinned, and are as an unclean thing,
and we all do fade as a leaf:
and our iniquities, like the wind,
have taken us away:
thou hast hid thy face from us:
and hast consumed us, because of our iniquities. **R**

Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord,
and my servant whom I have chosen:
that ye may know me and believe me:
I, even I, am the Lord,
and beside me there is no Saviour:
and there is none that can deliver out of my hand. **R**

Comfort ye, comfort ye my people,
my salvation shall not tarry:
I have blotted out as a thick cloud
thy transgressions: Fear not, for I will save thee:
For I am the Lord thy God,
the Holy One of Israel, thy Redeemer. **R**

THE SECOND READING

Hebrews 10.5-10

Read by **Caroline Bennett**

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said,
'Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired,
but a body you have prepared for me;
in burnt-offerings and sin-offerings
you have taken no pleasure.
Then I said, "See, God, I have come to do your will, O God"
(in the scroll of the book it is written of me).'

When he said above, 'You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt-offerings and sin-offerings' (these are offered according to the law), then he added, 'See, I have come to do your will.' He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

All Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL

Luke 1.39-55

All The Lord be with you
and also with you.

All Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Glory to you, O Lord.

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

And Mary said,
'My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,
for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant.
Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;
for the Mighty One has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.
His mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.
He has shown strength with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.
He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,
and lifted up the lowly;
he has filled the hungry with good things,
and sent the rich away empty.
He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,
according to the promise he made to our ancestors,
to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

All This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian

THE CREED

Please stand.

**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.

THE 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.

The prayers are led by **Linda Ridgers-Waite**

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,

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

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.

All

Amen.

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.

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 or the link to donate online.

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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.**

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 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:

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

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 Blessèd 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.

Please pray in whichever language you feel most comfortable.

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.	Baba wa... Notre Père... 天におられる私たちの父よ... Nna anyị... Fader vår... Pai nosso... हे हमारे स्वर्गबासी पिता... Padre nuestro... 我們在天上的父... ОТЧЕ НАШ... 하늘에 계신 우리 아버지... Πάτερ ἡμῶν... اے ہمارے باپ
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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.**

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.**

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 be seated. If you wish to receive Holy Communion or a blessing, 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.

Members of all Christian churches are welcome to receive Communion. Whatever your faith tradition or background, you are most welcome to draw near for a blessing.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand.

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

**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.**

THE NOTICES

Please be seated.

THE BLESSING & DISMISSAL

Please stand.

The Lord be with you
All and also with you.

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.

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 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, INCLUDING THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS

Services marked with an * are livestreamed on the Cathedral's YouTube page:
<https://www.youtube.com/@southwarkcathedral2224/streams>

Services marked with a † are only available online.

Preachers are indicated in italics.

SUNDAY 22 DECEMBER ♦ THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8.30am	Morning Prayer*
9.00am	Eucharist <i>Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian</i>
9.30am	Tots' Carol Service at St Hugh's
11.00am	Choral Eucharist* <i>Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian</i>
3.00pm	Evening Prayer
6.00pm	Cathedral Carol Service I*

MONDAY 23 DECEMBER

9.00am	Morning Prayer*
12.30pm	Midday Prayer
12.45pm	Eucharist
5.30pm	Evening Prayer
6.00pm	Cathedral Carol Service II

TUESDAY 24 DECEMBER ♦ Christmas Eve

9.00am	Morning Prayer*
9.30am	Eucharist
12.30pm	Midday Prayer
12.45pm	Eucharist
3.00pm	Crib Service
5.30pm	Evening Prayer
8.30pm	The First Eucharist of Christmas* <i>The Bishop of Southwark, The Rt Rev'd Christopher Chessun</i>

WEDNESDAY 25 DECEMBER ♦ CHRISTMAS DAY

- 8.30am Morning Prayer***
9.00am Eucharist with Carols
The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark
- 9.30am Quiet Christmas Day Communion at St Hugh's**
The Rev'd Dr Thomas Sharp, Succentor
- 11.00am Choral Eucharist***
The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark
- 1.00pm Cathedral closes**
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**THURSDAY 26 DECEMBER — SATURDAY 28 DECEMBER
STEPHEN, JOHN & THE HOLY INNOCENTS**

- 9.00am Morning Prayer***
9.30am Eucharist
4.00pm Evening Prayer
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SUNDAY 29 DECEMBER ♦ THE FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

- 8.30am Morning Prayer***
9.00am Eucharist *Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor*
9.30am Eucharist at St Hugh's *Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian*
11.00am Choral Eucharist* *Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor*
3.00pm Choral Evensong *Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean & Pastor*
6.00pm Compline[†]
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MONDAY 30 DECEMBER

- 9.00am Morning Prayer***
9.30am Eucharist
4.00pm Evening Prayer
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TUESDAY 31 DECEMBER ♦ New Year's Eve

- 9.00am Morning Prayer***
9.30am Eucharist
4.00pm Evening Prayer
10.30pm Watchnight Gathering at St Hugh's
11.15pm Watchnight Service at St Hugh's
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**WEDNESDAY 1 JANUARY ♦ THE NAMING AND CIRCUMCISION OF JESUS
New Year's Day**

- 9.00am Morning Prayer***
9.30am Eucharist
4.00pm Evening Prayer

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

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 Chapter Room for accompanied children under 4.

JUNIOR XPRESS

Junior Xpress are on break until Sunday 12 January.

Junior Xpress is for children in Reception to Year 6 gathers each week in the Cathedral and after a prayer and blessing will go for worship and activities before rejoining the rest of the congregation for the Lord's Prayer and Holy Communion. Children are warmly invited to join Junior Xpress, especially if this is their first time. More details can be obtained from the Sub Dean michael.rawson@southwark.anglican.org

YOUTH XPRESS

Young people in Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 are invited to join Youth Xpress for discussion and debate around Christian themes. Breakfast will also be provided! We meet one Sunday every month at 10.45am in the Cathedral Library.

CATHEDRAL LISTENING TEAM

Would you like to talk to someone confidentially? Is something/one on your heart? The Cathedral Listening team are volunteers, who sit in the Retrochoir behind the High Altar after the Choral Eucharist on a Sunday, ready to listen to anyone who would like to talk in confidence. They are available from after the service until 1.00pm. If you would like to talk to a Cathedral Listener, please approach them directly or sit nearby if they are already occupied.

A SAFE CHURCH

Canon Kathryn Fleming, Precentor, is Chapter Lead for Safeguarding. Any issues relating to the safeguarding of children or vulnerable adults should be directed to the Cathedral Safeguarding Officers in the first instance:

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.

CHRISTMAS EVE & CHRISTMAS DAY PARKING

Parking in the Green Market will be available thanks to our friends at Borough Market from 7.00-10.00pm on Christmas Eve and from 08.30am-1.30pm on Christmas Day. For safety reasons drivers should take the first entrance into the market on Bedale Street by The Globe pub and exit via the arch.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

There will be a table for the congregation to leave Christmas cards for friends in the South Transept today, Sunday 22 December.

HELP DURING THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

If you need to contact one of the Cathedral clergy you can do so via the Vergers phone number 020 7367 6712

Christmas can be a difficult time for many people and it's important to know there's always someone you can talk to. For details of helplines please see <https://christmascountdown.uk/christmas-day-helplines/>

ARE YOU NEW TO THE CATHEDRAL?

We would love to get to know you, so please complete a Newcomer form, available from the stewards or contact the Sub Dean michael.rawson@southwark.anglican.org

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY AT ST HUGH'S

THURSDAYS, 7.30PM

The Thursday Bible Study at St Hugh's, Bermondsey SE1 3PT is inclusive, friendly and perfect for beginners or growing your confidence.

<https://sthughsbermondsey.org.uk/bible-study/>

GIVING TO THE CATHEDRAL

At the Annual Parochial Church meeting we launched the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) as a new way of giving to the Cathedral on a regular basis. We encourage everyone to move to this improved system. Visit <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/how-it-works/> or speak to Canon Michael Rawson for more information.

To sign up you will need your personal bank account details; the name of our parish: **Southwark Cathedral**; the PGS code for our parish: **370637001**; whether you are eligible for Gift Aid.

ROBES WINTER NIGHT SHELTER

JANUARY 2025

The Cathedral Robes team will be hosting 20 guests on Friday nights / Saturday mornings from 10 January until 29 March. As part of our hospitality we offer toiletries and also new socks, underwear, hats and gloves for our guests. The majority of our guests are men.

We rely on your generous donations each year and if you are thinking of buying a gift for someone you love for Christmas and are able to buy an extra set for our guests it will make a huge difference. Please leave any gifts with the Vergers.

If you would like to join the team and fancy cooking, welcoming guests and sorting hospitality then please contact one of the team leaders on nptryner@gmail.com.

CHRISTMAS TREES SPONSORED BY THE FRIENDS



We are very grateful to the Friends of Southwark Cathedral for sponsoring the Christmas trees in the Cathedral.

We are always looking for new Friends – you can find out more by visiting [our website](#), using the QR code or contacting Kate Dean: kate.dean@southwark.anglican.org

ADVENT COURSE: WOMEN OF THE NATIVITY

Thank you to everyone who has taken part in our Advent course this year. We hope that you found it to be a helpful and thought-provoking experience. Do let one of the clergy have any comments and we very much hope to see you at our Lent course next year.

MONEY COUNTERS NEEDED

Money counter volunteers help with the financial administration of Southwark Cathedral by counting, detailing and logging monies from each service/collection. The money counters meet every fortnight, usually on a Wednesday, but this can be weekly at busy times like Christmas. Minimum commitment is three months.

For further information please contact the Volunteer Officer Sharda Rozena on 020 737 6739 or email Sharda.Rozena@southwark.anglican.org.

MAKING A RULE OF LIFE

SUNDAY 5 JANUARY 2025, 9.45am

At the beginning of a new year, the Dean will offer some thoughts about how we might make a simple Rule of Life as Christians, giving some shape to the way we live out our faith.

THE BLESSING OF THE RIVER THAMES

SUNDAY 12 JANUARY 2025, 12.15PM

Join us and our friends from St Magnus the Martyr on London Bridge as we bless the River Thames and all those who live and work on and by it.



PRAYER LIST

THE SICK

Norma AW, Diane P, John P, Anne S, Tim D, June B, Pamela H, Helen L, Debbie W, Zak, +Christopher, Vincent M, Alan BF, Baby Benjamin, Alan H, Pippa R, Eddie L, Simon G, Lizzie G, Susan S, Tom, Rose, Helen S, Roxanne W, Pam M, Jean P, John R, Elizabeth H, Sally P, Maurice D, Amanda E, Dinah K, Sarah R, David H

THE DEPARTED

Evelyn Warwick, Jane, Debbie Simmons, Patricia Nebbia, Tim Goad

YEAR'S MIND

Jean Tryner, John Preston Coleman, Ivy Bowles, Lynn Briers, Ron Briggs, Gladys Causer, Jill Harrison, Ruth Grater

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SOUTHWARK

◆ CATHEDRAL ◆

making space for love
with heart, mind, and soul

It is good to welcome you 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 ('over-the-river'). 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.

The Cathedral has a momentous and significant history and has had links with many famous and influential characters including St Thomas Becket, Geoffrey Chaucer, William Shakespeare and Charles Dickens. It has also been a Cathedral for those who feel on the edges of faith or society, our welcome reaching out to all people in their beautiful God-given diversity.

Here, our Christian faith is captured in our vision to 'make space for love: with heart, mind, and soul'. Faith requires our hearts to stand up for social justice, upholding integrity and kindness, and supporting the vulnerable and oppressed. It challenges our thinking, inviting our minds to be enquiring, honest, and generous. Faith also seeks to deepen our inner lives, with the arts and creativity, by sharing in the life of our community, and by learning the arts of prayer and attention. In Jesus Christ we see the human face of God, and our faith in him is our joy and our life.

We really hope you enjoy being here with us today and that we will see you again very soon.

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