

SOUTHWARK

◆ CATHEDRAL ◆

CHORAL EUCHARIST

FOR GREEN COMMUNION SUNDAY

HOLY CROSS DAY

SUNDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2025

11.00AM

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WELCOME TO SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL

A MEMBER OF THE



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THE CHURCH'S BAPTISMAL COMMISSION

Today, at this Choral Eucharist, we are delighted to welcome the family and friends of Ray, Raina, Django and Ruby, who have come to baptism. We come to baptism knowing that Jesus died and rose again for us and trusting in the promise that God hears and answers prayer. We pray that, in Jesus Christ, Ray, Raina, Django and Ruby will know the forgiveness of their sins and the new life of the Spirit.

As they mature in faith and discipleship, they will need the help and encouragement of the Christian community. As part of the Church of Christ, we all have a duty to support them by prayer, example and teaching. Therefore let us pray today for them as they continue on their journey of Christian faith.

Faithful and loving God,
bless Ray, Raina, Django and Ruby
and grant them your gifts of love, wisdom and faith.
Pour upon them your healing and reconciling love
and protect their home from all evil.
Fill them with the light of your presence
and establish them in the joy of your kingdom,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

CHORAL EUCHARIST

PRESIDENT

Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian

DEACON

Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean and Pastor

SUBDEACON & PREACHER

Canon Kathryn Fleming, Precentor

CHOIR

The Cathedral Choir
directed by **Helen Smeë**

SETTING

Mass for five voices
William Byrd (c. 1540-1623)

MUSIC BEFORE THE SERVICE

Fugue in B minor, BWV 579
Da Jesus an dem Kreuze stund, BWV 621
J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Please stand as the Procession enters.

THE ENTRANCE HYMN

NEH 440



Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:

All ye who hear,
Now to his temple draw near,
Praise him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth:

Hast thou not seen
All that is needful hath been
Granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work, and defend thee;
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;

Ponder anew
All the Almighty can do,
He who with love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who, when tempests their warfare are waging,
Who, when the elements madly around thee are raging,

Biddeth them cease,
Turneth their fury to peace,
Whirlwinds and waters assuaging.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him!

Let the Amen
Sound from his people again:
Gladly for ay we adore him.

TUNE: LOBE DEN HERREN

17th century German
from *The Chorale Book for England* 1863

TEXT:

German, Joachim Neander (1650-1680)
tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878) et al.

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.

Members of Junior Xpress come forward for a blessing before departing for their worship and activities.

THE PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Creation groans in pain
and our sin disfigures all God has made.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,
trusting in the mercy of God who makes all things new.

Silence is kept.

You crown the earth with goodness,
yet creation bears the weight of our enmity.
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

You reconcile all things in heaven and earth,
yet we tear apart what you have made whole.
Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

You transform all things by your Spirit
yet we resist your new creation.
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

THE ABSOLUTION

May the God of love,
whose glory is revealed in all creation,
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 be seated when the President sits. The Choir sings:

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Gloria in excelsis Deo
et in terra pax
hominibus bonae voluntatis.
Laudamus te,
benedicimus te,
adoramus te, glorificamus te,
gratias agimus tibi propter
magnam gloriam tuam,
Domine Deus, Rex caelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.

Domine Fili unigenite,
Jesu Christe,
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius
Patris,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis;
qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes
ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,
tu solus Dominus,
tu solus Altissimus,
Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu:
in gloria Dei Patris.
Amen.

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace
and goodwill to his people.
We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give thanks to you,
for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father almighty,

O Lord, the only-begotten Son,
Jesus Christ,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
who takes away the sin of the
world: have mercy on us;
You who takes away the sin of the
world, receive our prayer.
you who is seated at the right hand
of the Father:
have mercy on us.

For you alone are Holy,
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.

Silence is kept.

Almighty God,
whose Spirit moved upon the face of the waters
and by whose Word all things were brought to birth:
give us reverence for all that you have made
that, treading lightly upon the earth,
we may seek the wholeness of your creation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING

Numbers 21.4-9

Read by **Constance Boggis-Rolfe**

A reading from the Book of Numbers.

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom, but the people became discouraged on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." So Moses made a serpent of bronze and put it upon a pole, and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

THE SECOND READING

Romans 8.18-25

Read by **Gill Reynolds, Senior Non-Executive Member of Chapter**

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

This is the word of the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please stand and turn to face the Gospel as the Procession moves into the Nave.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Christ humbled himself and became obedient unto death,
even death on a cross.

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE GOSPEL

John 3.13-17

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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

No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him.

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

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

Canon Kathryn Fleming, Precentor

THE LITURGY OF BAPTISM

Please stand. The President stands at the Font with Ray, Raina, Django, Ruby and their families.

THE PRESENTATION

The President addresses the whole congregation.

We thank God for Ray, Raina, Django and Ruby, who have come to be baptised today. Christ loves them and welcomes them into his Church.

So I ask you all:

Will you support them on their journey of faith?

All We will.

Will you help them to live and grow within God's family?

All We will.

THE DECISION

The President addresses those being baptised.

We all wander far from God and lose our way:
Christ comes to find us and welcomes us home.
In baptism we respond to his call.

Therefore I ask:

Do you turn away from sin?

I do.

Do you reject evil?

I do.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

I do.

Do you trust in him as Lord?

I do.

THE SIGNING WITH THE CROSS

The President anoints baptisand with the Oil of Baptism, making the sign of the cross on their foreheads, saying:

Christ claims you for his own.
Receive the sign of his cross.

Then the President says:

Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

**All Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ
 against sin, the world and the devil,
 and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness,
restore in you the image of his glory,
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.

All Amen.

THE PRAYER OVER THE WATER

The President pours water into the Font and says:

We praise you, loving Father,
for the gift of your Son Jesus.
He was baptised in the River Jordan,
where your Spirit came upon him
and revealed him as the Son you love.
He sent his followers
to baptise all who turn to him.

Now, Father, we ask you to bless this water,
that those who are baptised in it
may be cleansed in the water of life,
and, filled with your Spirit,
may know that they are loved as your children.
safe in Christ for ever.

All Amen.

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

The President addresses the whole congregation.

Let us affirm,
together with Ray, Raina, Django and Ruby,
who are being baptised,
our common faith in Jesus Christ.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist?

All I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again?

All I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?

All I believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

All This is our faith.

**We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

THE BAPTISM

The President baptises Ray, Raina, Django and Ruby in turn, saying:

N, I baptise you
in the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

Then, the President anoints each of them with the Oil of Chrism and says:

May God, who has received you by baptism into his Church,
pour upon you the riches of his grace,
that within the company of Christ's pilgrim people
you may daily be renewed by his anointing Spirit,
and come to the inheritance of the saints in glory.

All Amen.

THE WELCOME

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
Ray, Raina, Django and Ruby,
by one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.

**All We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;
we are children of the same heavenly Father;
we welcome you.**

The newly-baptised are welcomed with applause. Then, all return to their places.

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 Sarah Mann

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 EUCHARIST

Please stand.

THE PEACE

You shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

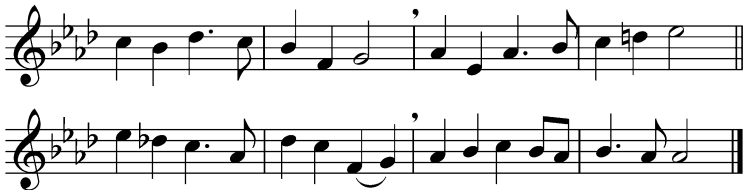
During the Hymn, bread and wine are presented at the Altar. A collection is taken (cash or contactless as detailed on page 2). Please use this QR code or the link to donate online.

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THE OFFERTORY HYMN

CP 259 (t. CP 574)



Morning glory, starlit sky,
Soaring music, scholar's truth,
Flight of swallows, autumn leaves,
Memory's treasure, grace of youth:

Open are the gifts of God,
Gifts of love to mind and sense;
Hidden is love's agony,
Love's endeavour, love's expense

Love that gives, gives evermore,
Gives with zeal, with eager hands,
Spares not, keeps not, all outpours,
Ventures all, its all expends.



Drained is love in making full,
Bound in setting others free,
Poor in making many rich,
Weak in giving power to be.

Therefore he who shows us God
Helpless hangs upon the tree;
And the nails and crown of thorns
Tell of what God's love must be.

Here is God, no monarch he,
Throned in easy state to reign;
Here is God, whose arms of love,
Aching, spent, the world sustain.

TUNE: NORTHAMPTON

C. J. King (1859-1934)

TEXT:

W. H. Vanstone (1923-1999)

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Blessèd are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this bread to set before you,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

All Blessèd be God for ever.

Blessèd are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this wine to set before you,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All Blessèd be God for ever.

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 right indeed to give you thanks most loving God,
through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer,
the first born from the dead,
the pioneer of our salvation,
who is with us always,
one of us, yet from the heart of God.

For with your whole created universe,
we praise you for your unfailing gift of life.
We thank you that you make us human
and stay with us
even when we turn from you to sin.

**All God's love is shown to us:
while we were yet sinners,
Christ died for us.**

In that love, dear God,
righteous and strong to save,
you came among us in Jesus Christ,
our crucified and living Lord.
You make all things new.
In Christ's suffering and cross
you reveal your glory
and reconcile all peoples to yourself,
their true and living God.

In your mercy you are now our God.
Through Christ you gather us,
new-born in your Spirit,
a people after your own heart.
We entrust ourselves to you,
for you alone do justice
to all the earth.

**All Now is the acceptable time,
now is the day of salvation.**

Therefore with all that has life and breath,
in the heavens above,
the earth beneath,
and the waters under the earth,
we join in the eternal hymn of your praise:

The Choir sings:

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

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

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.

Jesus Christ is Lord:

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

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

Standing at the foot of the cross,
as our Saviour taught us so we pray.

Please pray in whichever language you feel most comfortable.

All	Our Father in heaven,	Baba wa...
	hallowed be your name,	Notre Père...
	your kingdom come,	天におられる私たちの父よ...
	your will be done,	Nna anyi...
	on earth as in heaven.	Fader vår...
	Give us today our daily bread,	Pai nosso...
	Forgive us our sins	हे हमारे स्वर्गबासी पिता...
	as we forgive those who sin against us.	Padre nuestro...
	Lead us not into temptation	我們在天上的父...
	but deliver us from evil.	Отче наш...
	For the kingdom, the power,	하늘에 계신 우리 아버지...
	and the glory are yours	Πάτερ ἡμῶν...
	now and for ever.	اے ہمارے باپ
	Amen.	

THE 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.

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. Receiving Communion in one kind is still receiving Communion in full. 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 come forward for a blessing.

During the distribution of Communion, the Choir sings:

AGNUS DEI

Agnus Dei, qui tollis
peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis
peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis
peccata mundi,
dona nobis pacem.

O Lamb of God, who takes away the
sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, who takes away the
sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, who takes away the
sin of the world,
grant us thy peace.

Followed by:

THE COMMUNION ANTHEM

Crux fidelis • John IV of Portugal (1604-1656)

Crux fidelis, inter omnes
arbor una nobilis;
Nulla silva talem profert,
fronde, flore, germine.
Dulce lignum, dulces clavos,
dulce pondus sustinet.
Amen.

Faithful cross, above all others,
noblest of trees,
nothing so blessed has grown there,
not branches or blossoms.
Sweet wood, sweet nails,
sweet burden it sustains.
Amen.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand.

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Faithful God,
whose Son bore our sins in his body on the tree
and gave us this sacrament
to show forth his death until he comes:
give us grace to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,
for he is our salvation, our life and our hope,
who reigns as Lord, now and for ever.

All Amen.

THE NOTICES

Please be seated.

THE BLESSING

Please stand.

The Lord be with you
All and also with you.

May God the Father,
who made the heavens and the earth,
strengthen you in faith and hope.

All Amen.

May God the Son,
by whom all things were reconciled,
establish you in peace and love.

All Amen.

May God the Holy Spirit,
who renews the face of the earth,
inspire you to walk in God's way.

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.

THE FINAL HYMN

CP 499



Refrain

*Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
'til all the world adores his sacred name.*

Come, brethren, follow where our captain trod,
our King victorious, Christ the Son of God.

Refrain

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine.

Refrain

This is the sign which Satan's legions fear
and angels veil their faces to revere:

Refrain

Let every race and every language tell
of him who saves our souls from death and hell.

Refrain

From farthest regions let them homage bring
and on his cross adore their Saviour King.

Refrain

Set up thy throne, that earth's despair may cease
beneath the shadow of its healing peace.

Refrain

For thy blest cross which doth for all atone
creation's praises rise before thy throne:

Refrain

TUNE: CRUCIFER

Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947)

TEXT:

George William Kitchin (1827-1912)

THE GIVING OF A LIGHTED CANDLE

The President presents the newly-baptised with a candle.

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and has given us a place with the saints in light.

Ray, Raina, Django and Ruby,
you have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.

**All Shine as a light in the world,
to the glory of God the Father.**

THE DISMISSAL

Go in the light and peace of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Praeludium in D minor • Dieterich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

*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 ◆

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Services marked with a † are only available online.

Preachers are indicated in italics.

SUNDAY 14 SEPTEMBER • HOLY CROSS DAY

8.30am	Morning Prayer*
9.00am	Eucharist <i>Canon Kathryn Fleming, Precentor</i>
9.30am	Eucharist at St Hugh's <i>The Rev'd Henry Akingbemisilu</i>
11.00am	Choral Eucharist with Baptisms* <i>Canon Kathryn Fleming, Precentor</i>
3.00pm	Choral Evensong with the Installation of Helen Smees as Director of Music* <i>Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean & Pastor</i>
6.00pm	Compline†

MONDAY 15 — FRIDAY 19 SEPTEMBER

9.00am	Morning Prayer*
9.30am	Eucharist (Tuesday only)
12.30pm	Midday Prayer <i>with The Litany of Reconciliation</i> (Friday only)
12.45pm	Eucharist
4.00pm	Evening Prayer or Choral Evensong

SATURDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

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

SUNDAY 21 SEPTEMBER • MATTHEW

8.30am	Morning Prayer*
9.00am	Eucharist <i>Canon Jeremy Clark-King, Treasurer</i>
9.30am	Eucharist at St Hugh's <i>The Rev'd Delorine Green</i>
11.00am	Choral Eucharist* <i>Canon Jeremy Clark-King, Treasurer</i>
3.00pm	Choral Evensong with Presentation of the Lancelot Andrewes Medal <i>The Bishop of Southwark, The Rt Rev'd Christopher Chessun</i>
6.00pm	Compline†

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 is for children in Reception to Year, gathering each week in term time 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 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 are invited to join Youth Xpress for discussion and debate around Christian themes. Breakfast is provided. We meet one Sunday every month at 10.45am in the Cathedral Library. **The next session is on Sunday 21 September.**

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.

GIVING TO THE CATHEDRAL

We are encouraging everyone to join the Parish Giving Scheme. If you need any help signing up online or if you would prefer to have a paper copy of the application form please speak with our wardens, Linda and Kristin or contact Canon Michael Rawson.

The Cathedral is keen to change to a more ethical and environmentally friendly bank and the move from a large number of standing orders to one monthly transfer from the Parish Giving Scheme makes this aspiration achievable.

You can sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/bdzdpuhp>. You will need your personal bank account details; the name of our parish: **Southwark Cathedral**; the PGS code for our parish: **370637001**; and whether you are eligible for Gift Aid.

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.

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

THE FRIENDS OF SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL

FRIENDS' CÈILIDH AT THE CATHEDRAL, FRIDAY 17 OCTOBER 2025

The Ceilidh takes place on Friday 17 October. Joining us will be The Ceilidh Tree providing live music and helpful instruction as we dance in the beautiful Cathedral. Reduced price tickets are available via Ticket Tailor.

PILGRIMAGE TO WINCHESTER

The pilgrimage continues and the group walk together on the third Saturday of each month. All tickets can be purchased via the Friends' pages on Eventbrite.

VISIT TO LINDISFARNE

We are planning a Spring weekend away to visit Lindisfarne from 30 April to 3 May. If you are interested in joining please contact Kate in the Friends office for more information.

BECOME A FRIEND

Still thinking of joining us? We'd love to welcome you. The Friends play a vital part in contributing to the future of the Cathedral and its mission and membership costs from £25 a year. [Join the Friends today!](#)

CONTACT FRIENDS' OFFICE

You can email the Friends: Kate.dean@southwark.anglican.org, call 020 7367 3724 or post to:

The Friends of Southwark Cathedral
Southwark Cathedral
London Bridge
London, SE1 9DA

COMMUNITY OF THE CROSS OF NAILS GROUP

25 SEPTEMBER, 4.30-6.00PM, ZOOM

The Community of the Cross of Nails (CCN) group at Southwark Cathedral exists to raise awareness and to equip members of the cathedral community to be reconcilers and peace makers. One bi-product of reconciliation and peace making can be forgiveness. Our friends at the [Forgiveness Project](#) provide opportunities and resources for people to explore the complexities of forgiveness such as participative online gatherings (Forgiveness Cafe) which explore forgiveness in a communal, discussion-based setting. The next Forgiveness Cafe is on 25 September, online (Zoom) 4.30-6.00pm. To book, head to [The Forgiveness Project](#). See you there!

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL PODCAST

Hosted by members of the Southwark Cathedral team, each episode delves into an area of our mission and opens up a side of our work beyond the pulpit.

Listen to our latest episode here: <https://southwarkcathedralpodcast.podbean.com/>

ECUMENICAL PILGRIMAGE TO ROME & ASSISI

2-9 MARCH 2026

This Ecumenical Pilgrimage for the Diocese of Southwark and the Archdiocese of Southwark will be led by Bishop Christopher; Bishop Paul Hendricks, Auxiliary Bishop of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark; The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark; and Canon Michael Branch, Dean of St George's Cathedral, Southwark. Full details and booking information on our website:

<https://cathedral.southwark.anglican.org/worship-and-music/pilgrimage/southwark-ecumenical-pilgrimage-rome-and-assisi/>

FAC COMMITTEE

The Care of Cathedrals Measure requires the Fabric Advisory Committee to be an independent body whose role is to advise Chapter and determine Chapter's applications on the care, conservation, repair and development of the cathedral, its setting and any significant objects it holds. We are seeking new members for the new quinquennium, commencing in Spring 2026, in which period the Cathedral hopes to deliver significant and exciting projects in line with the new vision.

This is a voluntary role for 5 years. The committee meets at least four times a year on a weekday for 2 hours.

Please see the website for further details:

<https://cathedral.southwark.anglican.org/about-us/job-vacancies/>

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. Contact Bukky Omisakim for more information: <https://sthughsbermondsey.org.uk/bible-study/>

LIVING FAITHFULLY

The Autumn Living Faithfully programme is now available on our website.

PEACE WITH CREATION: SOUTHBANK CHURCHES EVENT

MONDAY 15 SEPTEMBER

8.30AM, ST JOHN'S WATERLOO, SE1 8TY

and/or **6.00PM, ST ANDREW'S SHORT STREET, SE1 8LJ**

You and your congregations are warmly invited to Peace with Creation, jointly sponsored by South Bank Churches and the Council of Lutheran Churches.

Refreshments will be available before the service.

Prayers, readings and reflections will celebrate creationtide and pray urgently for peace and restoration. We will be joined online at the evening service by Maro Maua from Nairobi, who is part of Fit for Climate Justice, Kenya.

ARTPEACE WORK FROM ZIMBABWE AVAILABLE IN THE CATHEDRAL SHOP

For almost 15 years Southwark Cathedral Shop has been selling artwork created by artists in the ArtPeace cooperative, based in Harare, Zimbabwe.

The skilled artists work with a variety of hard stones such as verdite and fruit springstone producing carvings which are beautiful and tactile, animals, people, religious objects, all inspired by their lives and the world around them.

Please take time to visit the shop and see the beautiful work by these artists and, if you are able, to purchase something. This is such a practical way of helping our sisters and brothers in Zimbabwe who continue to live under such challenging daily circumstances.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING OFFERINGS

As in previous years we will be supporting our friends at the Manna Centre for the homeless with our harvest offerings for the month of October. If you are able, they would be grateful of the goods below.

Follow the QR code or donate online at:

<https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/7580#!/DonationDetails>



MANNA DAY CENTRE



Harvest Festival list 2025

Needs in order of priority

(Most important items in bold type)

FOOD

Sugar
Tomatoes (Tinned)
Vegetables (Tinned)
Pasta
Rice
Pasta Sauces
Baked Beans
Meat (Tinned)
Corned beef
Chopped ham
Luncheon meats
Fish

Tinned Food

Soup
Stewed steak
Hot Dogs
Fruit
Rice pudding

Non-Tinned Food

Curry Sauces
Porridge oats
Breakfast cereals
Tomato sauce
Jelly
Cooking oil
Biscuits

DRINKS

Coffee
Dilutable drinks
Tea

TOILETRIES

Bodywash
Soap
Deodorants
Shaving Foam
Shampoo
Disposable razors
Toothpaste
Toothbrushes

MEN'S CLOTHING

Jeans (Waist 30-38)
Socks
Jogging bottoms
Trainers
Fleeces / Hoodies
T-shirts
Shoes
Underwear
Trousers (Waist 30-38)
Coats

MISCELLANEOUS

Toilet Rolls
Tea Mugs
Novels
Oyster cards
(Unregistered preferably)

WHAT IS OURS TO DO? RECONCILIATION IN EVERYDAY LIVING

MONDAY 13 OCTOBER, 6.15-8.00PM, ST ETHELBURGA'S CENTRE

This free event is being run in partnership with St Ethelburga's Centre for Reconciliation and Peace. You will discover practical ways of developing reconciliation in our everyday lives.

Guest speaker Jo Berry CBE, founder of Bridge Builders for Peace, will share her journey of reconciliation with Patrick Magee, convicted of planting the IRA bomb in 1984, which killed her father Sir Anthony Berry at the Brighton Conservative Party conference.

[Register here at Eventbrite.](#)

SUPPORT FOR VICTIMS OF AFGHANISTAN EARTHQUAKE

Christian Aid is partnering with OCHR (Organisation for Coordination of Humanitarian Relief) to provide life-saving rescue operations for those trapped under the rubble and to many more in need of drinking water, food, shelter, blankets and cooking sets, and critical medical supplies.

They have created this a prayer for the disaster you can find on their webpage and you can donate at this link to support this relief.

<https://give.christianaid.org.uk/donate/CAM-010726>

◆ PRAYER LIST ◆

THE SICK

Christopher KD, Dee Dee HS, Tom, Errol H, Sr Sue CSF, Millie K, Caroline C, Margaret DB, Sam J, Hugo S, Ann FO, Helen S, Dinah K, Pam M, Jean P, Sally P, Sarah R, John G, Roxanne W

THE DEPARTED

Barry Chorlton, Irene Greensted, Mark Smith, David Homewood, Salam Azank

YEAR'S MIND

Peach Sholeh, Graeme Norwell, John Martin, Susan Cowdell, Emily Carew, Sheila Gilchrist, Roy Williamson, Virginia Davidson, Kevin Mann

CLERGY AWAY

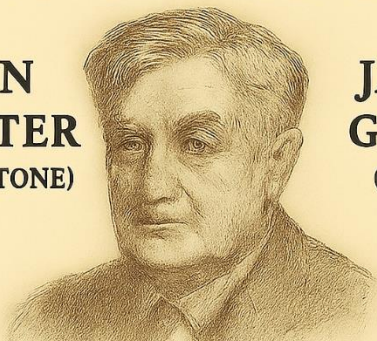
Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor (Ridley Hall, Cambridge)

HOMEWARD BOUND

**A REFLECTION IN SONG
THROUGH LIFE'S JOURNEYS**

**INCLUDING
VAUGHAN WILLIAMS'
SONGS OF TRAVEL**

**BEN
CARTER**
(BARITONE)



**JAMES
GOUGH**
(PIANO)

**SATURDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER, 6PM
ST MATTHEW'S WESTMINSTER**

IN AID OF THE ROBES HOMELESSNESS PROJECT

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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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