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FESTIVAL EUCHARIST

**SATURDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2025
9.30AM**



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CHORAL EUCHARIST

PRESIDENT & PREACHER

The Rt Rev'd Mariann Edgar Budde, Bishop of Washington



DEACON

The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark



SUBDEACON

Canon Kathryn Fleming, Precentor



CHOIR

The Cathedral Consort *directed by* Helen Smee



SETTING

Missa brevis

G. P. da Palestrina (c. 1525-1594)



MUSIC BEFORE THE SERVICE

Trio super Allein Gott in der Höh, BWV 664

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

At 9.25am, **The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark** welcomes the congregation.

Please stand as the Procession enters.

THE ENTRANCE HYMN



Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his word –
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same –
his holy name: the Lord, the Mighty One.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by;
proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure:
tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore!

TUNE: WOODLANDS

Walter Greatorex (1877-1949)

TEXT:

Timothy Dudley Smith (1926-2024)

THE GATHERING

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

All **Amen.**

Peace be with you
and also with you.

The Bishop welcomes the congregation and introduces the celebration.

THE PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Let us confess to God
the sins and shortcomings of the world;
its pride, its selfishness, its greed;
its evil divisions and hatreds.

Let us confess our share in what is wrong
and our failure to seek and establish that peace
which God wills for God's children.

Silence is kept.

Lord Jesus, you wept over the sins of your city.
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you heal the wounds of sin and division, anger and bitterness.
Christ, have mercy.

All **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you bring pardon and peace.
Lord, have mercy.

All **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.**

THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Eternal God,
in whose perfect realm
no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness,
and no strength known but the strength of love:
so guide and inspire the work of those who seek your kingdom
that all your people may find their security
in that love which casts out fear
and in the fellowship revealed to us
in Jesus Christ our Saviour.

All **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING

1 Timothy 2.1-8

Read by **David Shervington, Publishing Director, Hymns Ancient & Modern**

A reading from the First Letter of Timothy.

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God;

there is also one mediator between God and humankind,
Christ Jesus, himself human,
who gave himself a ransom for all

—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

I desire, then, that in every place the men should pray, lifting up holy hands without anger or argument;

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!

Prepare the way of the Lord.

Make his paths straight and all people shall see the salvation of our God.

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE GOSPEL

Luke 7.1-10

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

After Jesus had finished all his sayings in the hearing of the people, he entered Capernaum. A centurion there had a slave whom he valued highly, and who was ill and close to death. When he heard about Jesus, he sent some Jewish elders to him, asking him to come and heal his slave. When they came to Jesus, they appealed to him earnestly, saying, 'He is worthy of having you do this for him, for he loves our people, and it is he who built our synagogue for us.' And Jesus went with them, but when he was not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to say to him, 'Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; therefore I did not presume to come to you. But only speak the word, and let my servant be healed. For I also am a man set under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, "Go", and he goes, and to another, "Come", and he comes, and to my slave, "Do this", and the slave does it.' When Jesus heard this he was amazed at him, and turning to the crowd that followed him, he said, 'I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith.' When those who had been sent returned to the house, they found the slave in good health.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

The Rt Rev'd Mariann Edgar Budde, Bishop of Washington

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 **Lesley Black, Southwark Cathedral Congregation***

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

God calls us to peace: in God's justice is our peace.
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



Inspired by love and anger, disturbed by need and pain,
Informed of God's own bias, we ask him once again:
"How long must some folk suffer? How long can few folk mind?
How long dare vain self-interest turn prayer and pity blind?"

From those forever victims of heartless human greed,
Their cruel plight composes a litany of need:
"Where are the fruits of justice? Where are the signs of peace?
When is the day when prisoners and dreams find their release?"

From those forever shackled to what their wealth can buy,
The fear of lost advantage provoke the bitter cry:
"Don't query our position! Don't criticise our wealth!
Don't mention those exploited by politics and stealth!"

To God, who through the prophets proclaimed a different age,
We offer earth's indifference, its agony and rage:
"When will the wronged by righted? When will the kingdom come?
When will the world be generous to all instead of some?"

God asks, "Who will go for me? Who will extend my reach?
And who, when few will listen, will prophesy and preach?
And who, when few bid welcome, will offer all they know?
And who, when few dare follow, will walk the road I show?"

Amused in someone's kitchen, asleep in someone's boat,
Attuned to what the ancients exposed, proclaimed and wrote,
A saviour without safety, a tradesman without tools
Has come to tip the balance with fishermen and fools.

TUNE: SALLEY GARDENS

Irish folk melody arr. John Bell (b. 1949)

TEXT:

John Bell (b. 1949)
and Graham Maule (b. 1958)

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Pour upon the poverty of our love,
and the weakness of our praise,
the transforming fire of your presence.

All **Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

All The Lord be with you
 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.**

Father, you made the world and love your creation.
You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour.
His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death.

And now we give you thanks
Because we are your new creation in Christ:
You fill us with your Spirit,
To bring good news to the poor,
To heal the broken-hearted,
To announce release to captives
And freedom to prisoners,
To proclaim the death of Christ until he comes again.

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:

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 Bishop 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.

Praise to you Lord Jesus:

**All Dying you destroyed our death
Rising you restored our life,
Lord Jesus, 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.

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

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 said:
'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst
to see right prevail;
they shall be satisfied.'

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.

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

Os justi • Anton Bruckner (1824-1896)

Os justi meditabitur
sapientiam,
et lingua ejus loquetur
judicium.
Lex Dei ejus in corde ipsius:
et non supplantabuntur
gressus ejus.
Alleluia.

The mouth of the righteous
utters wisdom,
and his tongue speaks
what is just.
The law of his God is in his heart;
and his steps
will not be impeded.
Alleluia.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand.

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Merciful God,
we have gathered at the table of your Son.
Hear our prayer for those
who suffer for truth, justice and freedom.
Strengthen their witness
and give us courage to stand with them
until the whole world knows your truth,
and that truth sets us free,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

**All Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

THE NOTICES

Please be seated.

THE BLESSING

Please stand.

All The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Go forth into the world in peace,
be of good courage,
hold fast to that which is good,
render to no-one evil for evil.
Strengthen the fainthearted
support the weak,
help the afflicted,
honour all people,
love and serve the Lord,
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit;
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



Heaven shall not wait for the poor to lose their patience,
the scorned to smile, the despised to find a friend:
Jesus is Lord; he has championed the unwanted;
in him injustice confronts its timely end.

Heaven shall not wait for the rich to share their fortunes,
the proud to fall, the elite to tend the least:
Jesus is Lord; he has shown the master's privilege –
to kneel and wash servants' feet before they feast.

Heaven shall not wait for the dawn of great ideas,
thoughts of compassion divorced from cries of pain:
Jesus is Lord; he has married word and action;
his cross and company make his purpose plain.

Heaven shall not wait for triumphant hallelujahs,
when earth has passed and we reach another shore:
Jesus is Lord; in our present imperfection:
his power and love are for now and then for evermore.

TUNE: HEAVEN SHALL NOT WAIT

John Bell (b. 1949)

TEXT:

John Bell (b. 1949)
and Graham Maule (b. 1958)

THE DISMISSAL

Go out into the world
to walk in God's way,
to reflect God's light,
and to proclaim God's love.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

VOLUNTARY

Toccata • Joseph Jongen (1873-1953)

If you are not staying for the rest of the Festival, please leave the Cathedral by the North West doors and the Millennium Courtyard. Please consider supporting us by giving using the contactless donation points. Thank you for joining us. We look forward to welcoming you back.

If you would like to stay for the Festival of Preaching but have not registered, please visit the registration desk at the West End of the Cathedral.

◆ WHAT'S ON AT THE CATHEDRAL ◆

You can find out more about these events and others on the Cathedral Eventbrite:
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/southwark-cathedral-35795829>

LITTLE RUINS: REBUILDING A LIFE

MONDAY 15 SEPTEMBER, 6.30PM

Join the Sunday Times bestselling author Manni Coe in conversation with the Dean as they discuss Manni's new book *Little Ruins: Rebuilding a Life*. Looking to begin a new chapter, Manni and his partner take a risk and buy a crumbling but beautiful 150-year-old farmstead tucked into a remote valley in Andalusia. As Manni starts to realise that the scars of abuse from his childhood might not have healed at all, a single, terrible event threatens everything they have spent so long building together.

FREEDOM:

AN ART EXHIBITION BY SURVIVORS OF MODERN SLAVERY

THURSDAY 18 SEPTEMBER – MONDAY 27 OCTOBER, THE CATHEDRAL CAFÉ

Visit the Café to view Freedom, a powerful exhibition of artwork by survivors of modern slavery supported by Hestia. Through painting and mixed media, these artists have found healing, self-expression, while reclaiming their voices. Sales from artwork will help survivors and their children access essential items such as clothing, baby supplies, and household goods.

LOWER THAN THE ANGELS:

AN EVENING WITH DIARMAID MacCULLOCH

TUESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER, 7.00PM

To mark the paperback release of *Lower than the Angels: A History of Sex and Christianity*, Diarmaid MacCulloch will be in conversation with the Dean about a 3000-year-long tale of Christians encountering sex, gender and the family. The message of *Lower than the Angels* is simple, necessary and timely: to pay attention to the sheer glorious complexity and contradictions in the history of Christianity.

ANYWHERE BUT HERE: BRITAIN'S BROKEN ASYLUM SYSTEM

THURSDAY 25 SEPTEMBER, 6.30PM

Join us as award-winning journalist and former Home Office insider Nicola Kelly takes us behind the scenes of the small boats crisis and explains how the asylum system designed to help those who aim to cross the channel has all but collapsed.

MIGRATION, ETHICS AND EXPLOITATION

WEDNESDAY 8 OCTOBER, 6.00PM

There are an estimated 50 million potential victims of modern slavery worldwide, including over 120,000 in the UK. Join us as Ben Ryan from The Medaille Trust explores what drives this evil exploitation of human beings, how is it changing and what can we do in our communities and churches to bring it to an end.

INTRODUCTION TO BYZANTINE ICON PAINTING

MONDAY 13 OCTOBER 2025, 9.00AM

Taking place in the Cathedral library, this course introduces all aspects of traditional Byzantine icon painting. The aim is to understand the history and meaning of icons and to gain the skills to be able to draw and paint them. Students will paint the beautiful Virgin Panagia Paramythia, an 8th Century miraculous icon, which can be seen at Mount Athos, Greece.

WHAT IS OURS TO DO? RECONCILIATION IN EVERYDAY LIVING

MONDAY 13 OCTOBER 2025, 6.15PM

An event organised by the Cathedral's Community of the Cross of Nails group in collaboration with St Ethelburga's Centre for Reconciliation and Peace. Hear about the importance of reconciliation, learn more about the behaviours that support reconciliation and how to express them within everyday situations be that at home, at work, with neighbours or in the local community.

THE BIG CATHEDRAL KNIT

SATURDAY 29 NOVEMBER, from 10.00AM

Join us for a cosy day of crafting at the Big Cathedral Knit in partnership with Craft Forward. Join us to help knit and crochet 20x20cm squares to be made in to blankets for those experiencing homelessness across the capital. This year, Craft Forward have expanded their project nationwide and are aiming to produce more blankets than ever.

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SOUTHWARK

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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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