

SOUTHWARK
◆ CATHEDRAL ◆

CHORAL EUCHARIST

THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
26 OCTOBER 2025

11.00AM

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CHORAL EUCHARIST

PRESIDENT

Canon Kathryn Fleming, Precentor



DEACON

The Rev'd Shannon Preston, Succentor



SUBDEACON & PREACHER

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



CHOIR

The Exonian Choir directed by Tom Muggeridge



SETTING

Collegium Regale

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Please stand as the Procession enters.

THE ENTRANCE HYMN

NEH 137



Come down, O Love divine,
Seek thou this soul of mine,
And visit it with thine own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
Within my heart appear,
And kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,
Till earthly passions turn
To dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
And let thy glorious light
Shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity
Mine outward vesture be,
And lowliness become mine inner clothing;
True lowliness of heart,
Which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong,
With which the soul will long,
Shall far outpass the power of human telling;
For none can guess its grace,
Till it become the place
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

TUNE: DOWN AMPNEY

R. Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

TEXT:

Italian, Bianco da Siena (d. 1434)
tr. R. F. Littledale (1833-1890)

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

The Spirit of the Lord fills the world
and knows our every word and deed.
Let us then open ourselves to the Lord
and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Silence is kept.

**All We confess to you our selfishness and lack of love:
fill us with your Spirit.
Lord, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy.

We confess to you our fear and failure in sharing our faith:
fill us with your Spirit.
Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

We confess to you our stubbornness and lack of trust:
fill us with your Spirit.
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

THE ABSOLUTION

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

All Amen.

Please be seated when the President sits. The Choir sings:

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory be to God on high
And in earth peace, goodwill towards men,

We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee, for thy great glory
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost,
art most high
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:
help us so to hear them,
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them
that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word,
we may embrace and for ever hold fast
the hope of everlasting life,
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ,
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

Ecclesiasticus 35.12–17

Read by Paddy Gormley

A reading from The Book of Ecclesiasticus.

Give to the Most High as he has given to you,
and as generously as you can afford.
For the Lord is the one who repays,
and he will repay you sevenfold.
Do not offer him a bribe, for he will not accept it;
and do not rely on a dishonest sacrifice;
for the Lord is the judge,
and with him there is no partiality.
He will not show partiality to the poor;
but he will listen to the prayer of one who is wronged.
He will not ignore the supplication of the orphan,
or the widow when she pours out her complaint.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

Psalm 84.1-8



How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts
My soul has a desire and longing to enter the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
The sparrow has found her a house
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young;
at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. **R**

Blessed are they who dwell in your house:
they will always be praising you.
Blessed are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion,
Who going through the barren valley find there a spring,
and the early rains will clothe it with blessing.
They will go from strength to strength
and appear before God in Zion. **R**

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer;
listen, O God of Jacob.
Behold our defender, O God,
and look upon the face of your anointed. **R**

THE SECOND READING

2 Timothy 4.6–8, 16–18

Read by **Michael Butscher**

A reading from the Second Letter of Timothy.

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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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!

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening:
you have the words of eternal life.

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE GOSPEL

Luke 18.9–14

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: 'Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax-collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, "God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax-collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income." But the tax-collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

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

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 Philip Feakin

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 REDEDICATION OF SERVERS

The Dean moves to the top of the Tower Steps and is joined by the Precentor. Those rededicating themselves as Servers come to the front of the Nave.

I will go to the altar of God.
All Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.
All Who has made heaven and earth.

The Precentor says:

Mr Dean, I present to you the Guild of Servers of this Cathedral and Collegiate Church for the rededication of their call to serve.

The Dean says:

A Server assists the clergy in presenting and offering the worship of Almighty God and enabling the congregation to share in the liturgy. They do so with reverence and respect, knowing that the things they touch are holy and that the one we serve is the Lord and servant of all.

Will you rededicate yourselves to the ministry you share?

We will.

Will you continue to serve God in his sanctuary and so help others to worship in spirit and in truth?

We will.

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

O God, our Gracious Father: bless the servers of your church that they may serve before your earthly altar in reverence and holiness, that they may attain, with all your saints and angels, the joy of serving and worshipping you before your Heavenly Altar; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Please stand.

THE PEACE

God is love
and those who live in love live in God
and God lives in them.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

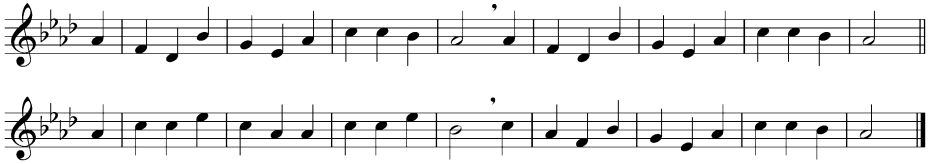
During the Hymn, bread and wine are presented at the Altar. A collection is taken (cash or contactless as detailed on page 2). Please use this QR code or the link to donate online.

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THE OFFERTORY HYMN

NEH 377



Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish but naught changeth thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all praise we would render, O help us to see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

TUNE: ST DENIO

Adapted from a Welsh son set to a hymn
in John Robert's *Caniadau y Cyssegr*
1839

TEXT:

W. Chalmers Smith (1824-1908)

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Blessèd be God,
who feeds the hungry,
who raises the poor,
who fills our praise.

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.

You are worthy of our thanks and praise,
Lord God of truth,
for by the breath of your mouth
you have spoken your word,
and all things have come into being.

You fashioned us in your image
and placed us in the garden of your delight.
Though we chose the path of rebellion
you would not abandon your own.
Again and again you drew us into your covenant of grace.
You gave your people the law and taught us by your prophets
to look for your reign of justice, mercy and peace.

As we watch for the signs of your kingdom on earth,
we echo the song of the angels in heaven,
evermore praising you and singing:

The Choir sings:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord most High.

The President continues:

Lord God, you are the most holy one,
enthroned in splendour and light,
yet in the coming of your Son Jesus Christ
you reveal the power of your love
made perfect in our human weakness.

Embracing our humanity,
Jesus showed us the way of salvation;
loving us to the end,
he gave himself to death for us;
dying for his own,
he set us free from the bonds of sin,
that we might rise and reign with him in glory.

On the night he gave up himself for us all
he took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith:

All

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Therefore we proclaim the death that he suffered on the cross,
we celebrate his resurrection, his bursting from the tomb,
we rejoice that he reigns at your right hand on high
and we long for his coming in glory.

As we recall the one, perfect sacrifice of our redemption,
Father, by your Holy Spirit let these gifts of your creation
be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
form us into the likeness of Christ
and make us a perfect offering in your sight.

Look with favour on your people
and in your mercy hear the cry of our hearts.
Bless the earth,
heal the sick,
let the oppressed go free
and fill your Church with power from on high.

Gather your people from the ends of the earth
to feast with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints
at the table in your kingdom,
where the new creation is brought to perfection
in Jesus Christ our Lord;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty 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... Отец 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 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

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
Grant us thy peace.

Followed by:

THE COMMUNION ANTHEM

Media Vita • Kerensa Briggs (b.1991)

(b.1991)

Media vita in morte sumus
quem quaerimus adiutorem
nisi te, Domine,
qui pro peccatis nostris
juste irasceris?

Sancte Deus,
sancte fortis,
sancte et misericors Salvator:
amarae morti ne tradas nos.

In the midst of life we are in death
of whom may we seek for succour,
but of thee, O Lord,
who for our sins
art justly displeased?

Holy God,
Holy mighty,
Holy and merciful Saviour,
deliver us not unto bitter death.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand.

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

God of all grace,
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry
with the bread of his life
and the word of his kingdom:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your true and living bread;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

All Amen.

**All Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory,
Amen.**

THE NOTICES

Please be seated.

THE BLESSING

Please stand.

The Lord be with you
All and also with you.

Christ, who has nourished us with himself the living bread,
make you one in praise and love,
and raise you up at the last day;
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

NEH 490



Thou, whose almighty word
chaos and darkness heard,
and took their flight;
hear us, we humbly pray,
and where the gospel-day
sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light.

Thou, who didst come to bring
on thy redeeming wing
healing and sight,
health to the sick in mind,
sight to the inly blind,
O now to all mankind
let there be light.

Spirit of truth and love,
life-giving, holy Dove,
speed forth thy flight;
move on the water's face,
bearing the lamp of grace,
and in earth's darkest place
let there be light.

Holy and blessèd Three,
glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, Love, Might;
boundless as ocean's tide
rolling in fullest pride,
through the earth far and wide
let there be light.

TUNE: MOSCOW

Adapted from a tune by F. Giardini
1716-96

TEXT:

John Marriot (1780-1825)

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

VOLUNTARY

Finale from Symphony No. 6 • Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

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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SUNDAY 26 OCTOBER • THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.30am	Morning Prayer*
9.00am	Eucharist <i>The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark</i>
9.30am	Eucharist at St Hugh's <i>The Rev'd Delorine Green</i>
11.00am	Choral Eucharist* <i>The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark</i>
3.00pm	Choral Evensong <i>The Rev'd Shannon Preston, Succentor</i>
6.00pm	Compline & Benediction*

MONDAY 27 OCTOBER – FRIDAY 31 OCTOBER

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
5.30pm	Evening Prayer

SATURDAY 1 NOVEMBER

9.00am	Morning Prayer*
9.30am	Eucharist
4.00pm	Choral Evensong

SUNDAY 2 NOVEMBER • ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS

8.30am	Morning Prayer*
9.00am	Eucharist <i>Canon Michael Rawson, Sub-Dean and Pastor</i>
9.30am	Eucharist at St Hugh's <i>The Rev'd Delorine Green</i>
11.00am	Choral Eucharist* <i>Canon Michael Rawson, Sub-Dean and Pastor</i>
3.00pm	Requiem Eucharist <i>Canon Jeremy Clark-King, Treasurer</i>
6.00pm	Compline with Time for Remembrance*

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 5, 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.

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 many 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

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL PODCAST

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15th ANNUAL ROBES SLEEP OUT

This year will be the 15th Annual Robes SleepOut here at the Cathedral!

Please hold the date:

Friday 21 November 2025 starting at 7.00pm

This is one week earlier than usual, so please make a note

Robes Project is one of the Cathedral's highest priority charity partners. You can participate by **signing up to sleep out and get sponsors to donate** on your behalf: <https://robes.org.uk/sleepout-robes/>

We need everyone's support to make sure the SleepOut is a great success. There are **many ways to volunteer**:

- Participate on the night of the SleepOut (in so many ways)
- Come in early to cook and serve morning breakfast
- Support the SleepOut committee with social media and fundraising support
- Help coordinate plans for the entertainment

To find out more and find the right option for you, please reach out to Kristin Ruby (klruby2006@yahoo.com) or Maggie Still (smeetowers@gmail.com).

THE FRIENDS OF SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL

SOUTHWARK VIEWS: AN ILLUSTRATED TALK WITH GUY ROWSTON SATURDAY 1 NOVEMBER, 11.00AM

From medieval illumination to French Impressionists, artists have depicted the Thames around the area of London Bridge and the Pool of London for six centuries. Some strove for accuracy (and sometimes failed) others for artistic achievement. An hour's artistic feast with our friend, Guy Rowston.

Coffee and tea will be available from 10.45am.

Tickets: £7.50 available via Eventbrite or from the Friends office.

STATIONERS HALL MONDAY 3 NOVEMBER, 12.15PM

The Stationers' Company originated in 1403 when the Mayor of the City of London approved the formation of a stationers' guild, whose members were text writers and illuminators of manuscript books, booksellers, bookbinders and suppliers of parchment, pens and paper. A stationer was one who traded from a 'stationery' stall around St Paul's Cathedral.

Our tour will last approximately 75 minutes. During this visit to the unique and historic Hall we'll learn more about the work of this ancient City of London Livery Company and its pivotal role in the history of the book trade over the past six centuries.

Tickets £25 per person includes tea and coffee at the end of the tour via Eventbrite or contact the Friends office

BECOME A FRIEND

We'd love to welcome you. The Friends play a vital part in contributing to the future of the Cathedral and its missions. 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
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ALL SOULS' REQUIEM EUCHARIST

SUNDAY 2 NOVEMBER, 3.00PM

If you would like to contribute names for the Commemoration of the Departed at our All Souls' Requiem, do please use the sign-up sheets available at the back of the Nave.

The names of those who have died in the past year will be read aloud during the service, but all names will be placed upon the altar and carried to God in our prayers.

YOUNG ADULTS CONNECT GROUP

MONDAY 3 NOVEMBER, 620-800PM

Young adults of the Cathedral are welcome to come along for an evening of getting to know each other, discussion around a specific topic (no previous knowledge needed!), and snacks.

If you would like to attend or find out more please email

shannon.preston@southwark.anglican.org

ANNUAL LECTURE

FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER, 6:30PM

Members of the congregation are invited to join the College of Canons for Evensong on Friday 14th November at 5.30pm, followed by the Annual Lecture at 6.30pm. This will be given by Bijan Omrani, the author of the recent '*God Is an Englishman : Christianity and the Creation of England*', which has received very positive reviews. His book explores the profound influence of Christianity in shaping England's identity, politics, and culture. From the Romano-British period through the Anglo-Saxon conversion and beyond, Omrani traces how Christian thought fundamentally shaped the institutions and character of what would become England. Weaving together historical research, archaeological evidence, and literary analysis, Omrani presents a compelling narrative of how religious belief served as the foundation upon which English identity was built. More may be found about Omrani here: <https://www.bijanomrani.com/> Please RSVP to Rosie Ward if you intend to come along: rosie.ward@southwark.anglican.org by **10th November**.

SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY

SUNDAY 16 NOVEMBER

On this year's Safeguarding Sunday, we will introduce Neil Morter, our new Cathedral Safeguarding Officer, and commission our volunteer Safeguarding reps during the 11.00 service. 2026 will be a big year for Safeguarding here in the Cathedral, and there will be a short presentation both between the services at 10.00 in the library and after the 11.00 in the nave to begin to prepare us for this as a community. Please do aim to be here if you can.

LIVING FAITHFULLY: WHAT IS THE CAMINO?

SUNDAY 23 NOVEMBER, 9:30AM

Today the shrine of St James in Santiago attracts half a million pilgrims a year, rising from a mere 67 in 1972. It is said that walking the Camino changes you - it's a chance to find a new version of yourself. Neil Tryner thought it was just a walking route when he walked his first in 2015. Seven Camino journeys later he has changed his mind. Neil will share his journey, what has changed, what he left behind and rediscovered.

A RETREAT ON THE ISLE OF IONA

7-12 SEPTEMBER 2026

The Dean will be leading a retreat on Iona next September entitled: '**Astonished by Love: with poetry as our guide**'. The retreat is shaped by four human themes - love of creation, love of justice, love of God, and love of love. We will encounter classic poets such as Hafiz, John Donne, George Herbert, WH Auden, Emily Dickinson, RS Thomas, and Seamus Heaney, and be introduced to more contemporary ones such as Raymond Antrobus, Jen Hadfield, Kei Miller, Zaffar Kunial, and Carol Ann Duffy. No prior knowledge of poems or poets is required. For more information: <https://www.stcolumba-hotel.co.uk/groups-retreats/mark-oakley>

ROBES SHELTER VOLUNTEERS

FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER, 6:30PM

Our Robes team will be hosting 20 guests one night a week from Friday 23rd January providing food, welcome, laundry and hospitality for 12 weeks.

If you would like to join the team either on Friday evening, Friday night or Saturday morning please contact Neil Tryner, nptryner@gmail.com one of the team leaders who can explain what is involved.

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/>

ORGAN RECITALS

MONDAYS, 1.20PM

Join us for our regular weekly organ recitals. Entrance is free.

27 October	Peter Wright	formerly Southwark Cathedral
3 November	Jonathan Allsopp	Southwell Minster
10 November	Simon Hogan	Southwark Cathedral
17 November	Leander van den Bos	The Netherlands
24 November	Anthony Gritten	Royal Academy of Music

CHANGE IN OUR COMMUNION STATIONS

You may spot that the third Communion station has moved. Once the Subdeacon has communicated the Choir and anyone seated in the North Transept, that team will move to the font – so if you are seated towards the back of the Cathedral, you may be invited to make your Communion there. We hope this will improve the flow of the service and will trial this until Christmas. We are grateful for your patience as we explore different options, and grateful to the stewards who enable all things to run smoothly.

◆ PRAYER LIST ◆

THE SICK

Christopher KD, Dee Dee HS, Tom, Errol H, Sr Sue CSF, Ida D, Caroline C, Jeremy B, Sam J, Hugo S, Marcia W, Julie R, Phyllida P, Phyllida P, Santou BC, Catherine S, Justine M, Leo T, Pauline S, Tricia L, Francis

THE DEPARTED

David Homewood, Dave Church, Margaret Den Brinker, Colin Andrews

YEAR'S MIND

Bert Still, Colin Branch, Andrew Hutchinson

CLERGY AWAY

Canon Michael Rawson, Sub-Dean and Pastor (Rouen Cathedral, Normandy)
Canon Jeremy Clark-King, Treasurer (St Philip, Norbury)
Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian (St James, Merton)

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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