

SOUTHWARK

◆ CATHEDRAL ◆

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PENTECOST

SUNDAY 24 MAY 2026

9.00AM

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WELCOME TO SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL

A MEMBER OF THE



ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Please ensure that all electronic devices are switched to silent.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Photography and video recording of the Choir is not permitted.

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

HEARING LOOP

Please switch your device to 'T'.

POSTURE

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

COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS

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

Cash donations may be placed in the baskets provided.

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

Contactless donations can be made by selecting your donation amount and tapping the terminal provided by the stewards.



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

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

Please stand as the President, **The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark,** enters.

THE GATHERING

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

All Amen.

The Lord be with you.

All and also with you.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The President welcomes the congregation.

Jesus Christ, whom we worship, is our crucified, risen and ascended Lord, and we have walked with him through his journey of love. We have faced the agony of his suffering and death on a cross. We have rejoiced at his bursting free from the bonds of death. We have enjoyed his risen presence with us and his revelation of himself through the breaking of bread. We have seen his return to the throne before which every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that this Jesus is Lord.

So now, with the followers of his own time, let us pray for the coming of the promised Holy Spirit, his gift to his people, through whom we make Christ known to the world.

As we wait in silence,

All fill us with your Spirit.

As we listen to your word,

All fill us with your Spirit.

As we worship you in majesty,

All fill us with your Spirit.

As we long for your refreshing,

All fill us with your Spirit.

As we long for your renewing,

All fill us with your Spirit.

As we long for your equipping,

All fill us with your Spirit.

As we long for your empowering,

All fill us with your Spirit.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

All **Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
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.

God, who as at this time
taught the hearts of your faithful people
by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit:
grant us by the same Spirit
to have a right judgement in all things
and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort;
through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour,
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

Acts 2.1-21

Read by the Duty Verger

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

"In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.
Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

THE RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The response is:

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live.

O Lord, how manifold are your works!
In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.
There is the sea, spread far and wide,
and there move creatures beyond number, both small and great. **R**

There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan
which you have made to play in the deep.
All of these look to you
to give them their food in due season.
When you give it them, they gather it;
you open your hand and they are filled with good. **R**

When you hide your face they are troubled;
when you take away their breath,
they die and return again to the dust.
When you send forth your spirit, they are created,
and you renew the face of the earth. **R**

May the glory of the Lord endure for ever;
may the Lord rejoice in his works;
He looks on the earth and it trembles;
he touches the mountains and they smoke. **R**

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;
I will make music to my God while I have my being.
So shall my song please him
while I rejoice in the Lord.
Let sinners be consumed out of the earth
and the wicked be no more.
Bless the Lord, O my soul. **R**

THE SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 12.3-13

Read by **Matthew Peck**

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptised into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

This is the word of the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

All Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL

John 20.19-23

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

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 **Mark Harrington***

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

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace.
If we live in the Spirit, let us walk in the Spirit.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Bread and wine are presented at the Altar. We receive a collection at the end of the service, but you can also donate by following the QR code.



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

The Lord be with you
All **and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and everlasting God,
through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord.

And now we give you thanks
That, after he had ascended far above all heavens,
And was seated at the right hand of your majesty,
He sent forth upon the universal Church your holy and life-giving Spirit;
That through his glorious power the joy of the everlasting gospel
Might go forth into all the world.

Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels,
and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells,
to proclaim the glory of your name,
for ever praising you and saying:

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

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

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
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.

All Great is the mystery of faith:
**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary
and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through 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

Being made one by the power of the Spirit,
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.**

AGNUS DEI

All **Lamb of God
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God
you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Please be seated. If you wish to receive Holy Communion or a blessing, please follow the directions of the Stewards. Please do not dip the host into the chalice. If you would like to receive a blessing, please bow your head.

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

THE NOTICES

Please stand.

THE COMMISSION

For fifty days we have celebrated the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ over the powers of sin and death. We have proclaimed God's mighty acts and we have prayed that the power that was at work when God raised Jesus from the dead might be at work in us. As part of God's Church here in Southwark, I call upon you to live out what you proclaim.

The President addresses the congregation.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit
will you dare to walk into God's future
trusting Him to be your guide?

All **By the Spirit's power, we will.**

Will you dare to embrace each other
and grow together in love?

All **We will.**

Will you dare to share your riches in common
and minister to each other in need?

All **We will.**

Will you dare to pray for each other
until your hearts beat with the longings of God?

All **We will.**

Will you dare to carry the light of Christ
into the world's dark places?

All **We will.**

THE BLESSING & DISMISSAL

Please remain standing.

The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

May the Spirit,
who hovered over the waters
when the world was created,
breathe into you the life he gives.

All Amen.

May the Spirit,
who overshadowed the Virgin
when the eternal Son came among us,
make you joyful in the service of the Lord.

All Amen.

May the Spirit,
who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost,
bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ.

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.

Filled with the Spirit's power,
go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Please leave the Cathedral by the North West doors and the Millennium Courtyard.

Thank you for joining us. We look forward to welcoming you back.



RETIRING COLLECTION

The stewards will be on hand to collect monetary donations, gift aid envelopes and contactless donations. Alternatively, you can donate by following the QR code.

◆ NOTICES ◆

WORSHIP

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

Services marked with a † are only available online.

Preachers are indicated in italics.

SUNDAY 24 MAY • PENTECOST

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>Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean & Pastor</i>
11.00am	Choral Eucharist* <i>The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark</i>
3.00pm	Choral Evensong <i>Canon Jeremy Clark-King, Treasurer</i>
6.00pm	Compline & Benediction*

MONDAY 25 MAY

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

TUESDAY 26 — FRIDAY 29 MAY

9.00am	Morning Prayer*
9.30am	Eucharist (Tuesday only)
12.30pm	Midday Prayer with the Litany of Reconciliation (Friday only)
12.45pm	Eucharist
5.00pm	Evening Prayer (Friday only)
5.30pm	Evening Prayer (Tue, Wed, Thu) or Choral Eucharist (Fri)

SATURDAY 30 MAY

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

SUNDAY 31 MAY • TRINITY SUNDAY

8.30am	Morning Prayer*
9.00am	Eucharist <i>The Ven Greg Prior, Archdeacon of Croydon</i>
9.30am	Eucharist at St Hugh's <i>The Ven Jonathan Sedgwick, Archdeacon of Southwark</i>
11.00am	Choral Eucharist* <i>The Ven Greg Prior, Archdeacon of Croydon</i>
3.00pm	Choral Evensong <i>Canon Kathryn Fleming, Precentor</i>
6.00pm	Compline[†]

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 Officer (CSO) or Representatives (CSRs) in the first instance:

CSO	Neil Morter neil.morter@southwark.anglican.org
CSRs	Cherry James cherry.james@southwark.anglican.org Jill Tilley jill.tilley@southwark.anglican.org Russell Silverwood russell.silverwood@southwark.anglican.org

Concerns can be brought to any member of the clergy.

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. The next meeting is 14 June. Please speak to the Sub Dean for more information: michael.rawson@southwark.anglican.org

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.

THE FRIENDS OF SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL

The Spring edition of the Friends newsletter is now available on the Cathedral website.

VISIT TO THE MUSEUM OF THE HOME, WEDNESDAY 27 MAY, 10.30AM

Join the Friends for a special visit to the Museum of the Home in Hoxton, just north of the City of London. Information is in our newsletter which you'll find on the Cathedral website and tickets: £22 available via Eventbrite.

https://Friends_museum_of_the_home.eventbrite.co.uk

WINE TASTING, FRIDAY 5 JUNE

Do you know your prosecco from your cava? And what on earth should you be looking for when buying a bottle of Champagne? Why not come and find out the answer to these, and all your fizz-related questions at this fun, informal wine tasting event?

Sample at least 6 wines, all with a bit of sparkle and learn some interesting facts on the way, which will leave you more confident to talk about that most special of wines - sparkling! After the highly popular wine tasting last year, we are pleased to welcome back Erica from Taste of the Vine to guide our evening

Tickets £29.50 each or a table of 6 £165

Tickets available via Ticket Tailor.

<https://buytickets.at/thefriendsofsouthwarkcathedral/2094415>

SAVE THE DATE, CÈILIDH IN THE CATHEDRAL, FRIDAY 9 OCTOBER

After the success of last year we will be holding our Ceilidh again this year. Tickets will go on sale in the summer but please keep the date and share with your friends.

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 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
Southwark Cathedral
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A RETREAT ON THE ISLE OF IONA

MONDAY 7 – SATURDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2026

The Dean will be leading a retreat on Iona this 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, W. H. Auden, Emily Dickinson, R. S. 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>

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.

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL PODCAST

We encourage you to listen to it wherever you access your podcasts.

<https://southwarkcathedralpodcast.podbean.com/>

PARISH PICNIC

SUNDAY 21 JUNE

We have good news! A Summer Parish Picnic will take place on Sunday 21 June in the Cathedral churchyard after the 11.00am service, and everyone is invited. Please put the date in your diary, and we look forward to sharing with you all the practical arrangements in the weeks ahead.

PRAYING FOR THE NEW BISHOP OF SOUTHWARK

Bishop Christopher sadly retires later this summer and work is now underway to begin the discernment process for the appointment of a bishop to succeed him and to build on all that Bishop Christopher has achieved.

Please join in the Diocese's prayer over the coming weeks and months:

**God of all times and places,
send us a Bishop who will lead us faithfully
through days of rejoicing
and nights of challenge,
with prayer and Scripture,
with love and laughter,
with bread and wine.
Send your Holy Spirit
to guide those entrusted with this process.
May they recognise the person of your choice,
with ears that are open
and hearts that are wise.
Make us thankful for all that has gone before,
ready and hopeful for all that lies ahead,
led by a Bishop whose ministry is a blessing
to everyone in Southwark Diocese,
as we hear the good news of Jesus
and delight in the love of God.
Amen.**

USING A DEVICE TO READ THE SERVICE SHEET

As you came into church, one of our stewards will have asked you if you wanted to take the service sheet on your phone. By reading the service sheet in this way you are helping us each week reduce our paper use and our printing costs. Thank you for playing your part. Every copy we don't have to print saves us a couple of pounds and also helps us become more sustainable by using less paper. We will always have paper copies for those who prefer it, but if you can think about switching to using your device, we would be grateful.

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

GIFT AID ON CONTACTLESS

During the collection, our stewards will have offered you a basket or a contactless device. If you gave your collection by contactless, did you know that you can gift aid your donation? To gift aid your donations simply donate one week on the fixed giving points as you came in, perhaps make a small donation one of these devices and it will ask you to enter your details for gift aid and the system will automatically apply gift aid on any future donation with the same card.

FAREWELL TO JAMES GOUGH

James Gough has been appointed as Director of Music at St John the Evangelist Church in Upper Norwood. He leaves Southwark Cathedral after nearly five years as Assistant Organist and Music Administrator to take up the role. On behalf of the Cathedral community, we thank him for all that he has contributed to our musical life, in particular his enterprising and energetic approach to reaching out to the wider community, including a number of organ outreach concerts and the hugely successful summer organ festival. We wish him well in his new role.

CHRISTIAN AID COLLECTION

Thank you very much to all for your generosity on Sunday 10 May. The figure collected for Christian Aid at the moment stands at £1,447.00 and further donations would be very welcome. I would like to thank Bread Ahead for their donation of trays of pastries which were a great encouragement.

Linda Hutchinson

SOUTHWARK VISIT TO BERGEN

A group from Southwark had a wonderful three days with our sister Cathedral in Bergen, Norway last week. We spent time with our friends there praying, discussing our links and enjoying fantastic Norwegian hospitality (and rain!). There will be a short article soon on the website and e-newsletter giving a flavour of our time together.

SAVE THE DATE: PRIDE IN LONDON MARCH 2026

Once again the Cathedral will be taking part in the Pride in London March on Saturday 4 July. Details to follow in due course. We have 50 wristbands so please contact michael.rawson@southwark.anglican.org to reserve yours. First come, first served!

GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK

FILM SCREENING, SUNDAY 7 JUNE, 4.15PM

To mark the Great Big Green Week (6-14 June), we will be hosting a screening of *The People's Emergency Briefing*, a 50-minute film presenting the latest evidence on the climate and nature crisis, featuring expert interviews, celebrity reactions, and insights into impacts on food, cost of living, health, and extreme weather. This will take place in the library and the Bishop of Kingston, The Rt Rev'd Martin Gainsborough, will lead a discussion after the film. Choral Evensong will be at 3.00pm with an environmental theme.

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/>

BE A CHORISTER FOR A DAY

SATURDAY 27 JUNE 2026, 11.45-4.30PM

The Cathedral holds a number of taster events throughout the year for boys, girls, and their families who might be interested in becoming a chorister. These events are open to children in Year 3, 4 and 5.

Each event includes:

- A singing workshop with a member of the Cathedral music department, with musical games and songs to learn
- A Q&A session for parents and carers, with a panel of staff, clergy and current choir parents
- A tour of the Cathedral
- The opportunity for children to sing with the Cathedral Choir at Evensong

The next *Be a Chorister* event takes place on Saturday 27 June. For more information or to register, please contact Helen Smees, Director of Music:

helen.smees@southwark.anglican.org

NEWS FROM THE APCM

Thank you to all of you who were able to attend last Sunday's APCM. It was a very positive meeting, during which the necessary business was conducted together with some updates on the "State of the Nation" and the opportunity to say thank you to so many people who support our life together, among them Linda Hutchinson who stood down from her role as Cathedral Warden after 7 years.

We are delighted that Kristin Ruby and Maggie Still have been elected to serve as Cathedral Wardens for the coming year, and that we have our full quota of members for Deanery Synod:

John Beynon, Guy Rowston, Michael Rawson, Lynne Jones, Sharon Yeoh

◆ PRAYER LIST ◆

THE SICK

Michael W, Dee Dee HS, Franki G, Patricia B, Frances G, Rob B, Anna S, Justine M, Andy B, Sarah M, Joan M, John O, Cyril B, Madeleine L, Judy, Andrew C, Jack C, Julie A, Paul D, Jean P, Pam M, Shireen, Dinah K, Sarah R, Sally P, Sam J, Elizabeth H, Christopher KD, Santou BC, Caroline C

THE DEPARTED

Richard Harries, Margaret Addison, Margaret Clarke, Paula Roche, Rosemary Dawson, Henrietta Ewart, Norman King, Lois King, George Nicholson

YEAR'S MIND

Bob Myers, John Stroop, Harry Coles, Ian Lyons, Elton Greene, Flossie Tucker, Georgina Baker

CLERGY AWAY

Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian (St Mark with St Margaret, Plumstead)

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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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