



The Diocese of  
**Southwark**

## **THE ORDINATION OF DEACONS**

**AND THE RECEPTION OF HOLY ORDERS OF A PRIEST**

**PETERTIDE  
SATURDAY 27 JUNE 2026  
11.00AM**

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Missa brevis • Jonathan Dove (b. 1959)

## MUSIC BEFORE THE SERVICE

Praeludium in G • Nicolaus Bruhns (1665-1697)  
Wir glauben all an einen Gott, BWV 680 • J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

## TO BE ORDAINED

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Sam BAKER	Christ Church, Gipsy Hill
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## FOR RECEPTION OF HOLY ORDERS

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Álvaro SÁNCHEZ HURTADO St John the Divine, Kennington  
St Faith, North Dulwich

*Álvaro was ordained Deacon and Priest in the Roman Catholic Church and his Holy Orders are to be received by the Church of England.*

# THE ORDINATION OF DEACONS AND THE RECEPTION OF HOLY ORDERS OF A PRIEST

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*Before the service, The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark, welcomes the congregation.*

*Please stand as the Procession enters.*

## THE ENTRANCE HYMN

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O for a thousand tongues to sing  
My dear Redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King,  
The triumphs of his grace!

Jesus—the name that charms our fears,  
That bids our sorrows cease;  
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,  
'Tis life, and health, and peace.

He breaks the power of cancelled sin,  
He sets the prisoner free;  
His blood can make the foulest clean;  
His blood availed for me.

He speaks; and, listening to his voice,  
New life the dead receive,  
The mournful broken hearts rejoice,  
The humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,  
Your loosened tongues employ;  
Ye blind, behold your Saviour come;  
And leap, ye lame, for joy!

My gracious Master and my God,  
Assist me to proclaim  
And spread through all the earth abroad  
The honours of thy name.

**TUNE: LYNHAM**

Thomas Jarman (1776-1862)

**TEXT:**

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

*Please remain standing.*

## **THE GREETING**

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**All**      Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
**Blessèd be his kingdom, now and for ever.**  
**Amen.**

**All**      There is one body and one spirit.  
**There is one hope to which we were called.**

**All**      One Lord, one faith, one baptism,  
**one God and Father of all.**

**All**      Peace be with you  
**and also with you.**

God calls his people to follow Christ, and forms us into a royal priesthood, a holy nation, to declare the wonderful deeds of him who has called us out of darkness into his marvellous light.

The Church is the Body of Christ, the people of God and the dwelling-place of the Holy Spirit. In baptism the whole Church is summoned to witness to God's love and to work for the coming of his kingdom.

To serve this royal priesthood, God has given a variety of ministries. Deacons are ordained so that the people of God may be better equipped to make Christ known. Theirs is a life of visible self-giving. Christ is the pattern of their calling and their commission; as he washed the feet of his disciples, so they must wash the feet of others.

## THE PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

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As we stand together before God,  
and trusting in his grace alone,  
let us join with these ordinands in confessing our sins.

*Silence is kept.*

**All** Most merciful God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned  
in thought, word and deed.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
In your mercy  
forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be;  
that we may do justly,  
love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God.  
Amen.

## THE ABSOLUTION

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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.

*Please be seated.*

## **THE PRESENTATION**

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*The Diocesan Director of Ordinands presents the candidates to the Bishop.*

**DDO** Reverend Father in God, I present these ordinands to be ordained to the office of deacon in the Church of God.

I also present to you Álvaro José Sánchez Hurtado, whose Holy Orders are to be received that he may serve in the parishes of St John the Divine, Kennington and St Faith, North Dulwich.

*The Bishop asks these questions of the Diocesan Director of Ordinands:*

**Bishop** Have those whose duty it is to know these candidates and examine them found them to be of godly life and sound learning?

**DDO** They have.

**Bishop** Do they believe them to be duly called to serve God in this ministry?

**DDO** They do.

*The Bishop turns towards the candidates and asks:*

**Bishop** Do you believe that God is calling you to this ministry?

**Ordinands** I do so believe.

*The Bishop addresses the Registrar.*

**Bishop** I invite the Registrar to confirm that the candidates have taken the necessary oaths and made the Declaration of Assent.

**Registrar** They have duly taken the oath or a solemn affirmation of allegiance to the Sovereign and the oath or solemn affirmation of canonical obedience to the Bishop. They have affirmed and declared their belief in 'the faith which is revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the catholic creeds and to which the historic formularies of the Church of England bear witness'.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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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,  
goodwill to all people.  
We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks  
for your great glory.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son,  
Jesus Christ,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
Son of the Father,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sin of the world:  
receive our prayer.

You are 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.

*Please stand.*

## **THE COLLECT**

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Let us pray for these our brothers and sisters to be ordained deacon,  
and for the ministry of the whole people of God.

*Silence is kept.*

Almighty God,  
whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul  
glorified you in their death as in their life:  
grant that your Church,  
inspired by their teaching and example,  
and made one by your Spirit,  
may ever stand firm upon the one foundation,  
Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**All      Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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## THE FIRST READING

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**2 Timothy 4.6-8, 17-18**

*Read by The Rev'd Yunghee Koh, Vicar, St Michael, East Wickham*

A reading from the Second Letter of Paul to 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.

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.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand.*

## **THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The words that I have spoken to you are spirit  
and they are life, says the Lord.

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

## **THE GOSPEL**

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**Matthew 16.13-19**

All The Lord be with you  
and also with you.

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

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessèd are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated after the opening prayer.*

## **THE SERMON**

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**The Ven Dr Chigor Chike, Archdeacon of Lewisham & Greenwich**

*Please stand.*

## THE CREED

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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 LITURGY OF ORDINATION

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## THE DECLARATIONS

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*The ordinands stand. The Bishop addresses the congregation.*

Deacons are called to work with the Bishop and the priests with whom they serve as heralds of Christ's kingdom. They are to proclaim the gospel in word and deed, as agents of God's purposes of love. They are to serve the community in which they are set, bringing to the Church the needs and hopes of all the people. They are to work with their fellow members in searching out the poor and weak, the sick and lonely and those who are oppressed and powerless, reaching into the forgotten corners of the world, that the love of God may be made visible.

Deacons share in the pastoral ministry of the Church and in leading God's people in worship. They preach the word and bring the needs of the world before the Church in intercession. They accompany those searching for faith and bring them to baptism. They assist in administering the sacraments; they distribute communion and minister to the sick and housebound.

Deacons are to seek nourishment from the Scriptures; they are to study them with God's people, that the whole Church may be equipped to live out the gospel in the world. They are to be faithful in prayer, expectant and watchful for the signs of God's presence, as he reveals his kingdom among us.

*The Bishop addresses the ordinands directly.*

We trust that you are fully determined, by the grace of God, to give yourself wholly to his service, that you may draw his people into that new life which God has prepared for those who love him.

And now, in order that we may know your mind and purpose, you must make the declarations we put to you.

- Bishop** Do you accept the Holy Scriptures as revealing all things necessary for eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ?
- Ordinands** I do so accept them.
- Bishop** Will you be diligent in prayer, in reading Holy Scripture, and in all studies that will deepen your faith and fit you to bear witness to the truth of the gospel?
- Ordinands** By the help of God, I will.
- Bishop** Do you believe the doctrine of the Christian faith as the Church of England has received it, and in your ministry will you expound and teach it?
- Ordinands** By the help of God, I will.
- Bishop** Will you strive to make the love of Christ known through word and example, and have a particular care for those in need?
- Ordinands** By the help of God, I will.
- Bishop** Will you be a faithful servant in the household of God, after the example of Christ, who came not to be served but to serve?
- Ordinands** By the help of God, I will.
- Bishop** Will you endeavour to fashion your own life and that of your household according to the way of Christ, that you may be a pattern and example to Christ's people?
- Ordinands** By the help of God, I will.
- Bishop** Will you work with your fellow servants in the gospel for the sake of the kingdom of God?
- Ordinands** By the help of God, I will.
- Bishop** Will you accept the discipline of this Church and give due respect to those in authority?
- Ordinands** By the help of God, I will.
- Bishop** Will you then, in the strength of the Holy Spirit, continually stir up the gift of God that is in you, to grow in holiness and grace?
- Ordinands** By the help of God, I will.

*The congregation stands and the ordinands turn to face them.*

*The Bishop continues:*

People of God, you have heard how great is the charge that these ordinands are ready to undertake, and you have heard their declarations.

Is it now your will that they should be ordained?

**All**     **It is.**

Will you continually pray for them?

**All**     **We will.**

Will you uphold and encourage them in their ministry?

**All**     **We will.**

*The ordinands turn back to face the Bishop, who continues, addressing them:*

In the name of our Lord, we bid you remember the greatness of the trust in which you are now to share: the ministry of Christ himself, who for our sake took the form of a servant. Remember always with thanksgiving that the people among whom you will minister are made in God's image and likeness. In serving them you are serving Christ himself, before whom you will be called to account.

You cannot bear the weight of this calling in your own strength, but only by the grace and power of God. Pray therefore that your heart may daily be enlarged and your understanding of the Scriptures enlightened.

Pray earnestly for the gift of the Holy Spirit.

*Please kneel or be seated. The ordinands kneel and silence is kept.*

## THE LITANY

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In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,  
let us pray to the Father.

*The response is:*



Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world,  
for the welfare of the Holy Church of God,  
and for the unity of all,  
let us pray to the Lord. **R**

For all the members of the Church in their vocation and ministry,  
that they may serve him in truth and love,  
let us pray to the Lord. **R**

For Christopher our bishop,  
and for all bishops, presbyters and deacons,  
that they may hunger for truth and thirst after righteousness,  
let us pray to the Lord. **R**

For Sam, Dami, Mike, Alice, Anna, Jacqueline, Gemma, June, Josh,  
Anne, Amelia and Archie, called to be deacons in his Church,  
let us pray to the Lord. **R**

For Álvaro, called to continue his ministry as a priest  
in the Church of England,  
let us pray to the Lord. **R**

For the mission of the Church,  
that in faithful witness we may proclaim the gospel of reconciliation  
to the ends of the earth,  
let us pray to the Lord. **R**

For the unity of the Church,  
that we may be one in Christ, according to his will,  
let us pray to the Lord. **R**

For those who do not yet believe,  
that they may receive the light of the gospel,  
and for those whose faith has grown cold,  
let us pray to the Lord. **R**

For the sick and suffering,  
for the aged and infirm,  
for the lonely and neglected,  
and for all who remember and care for them,  
let us pray to the Lord. **R**

For the poor and the hungry,  
for the homeless and the oppressed,  
for all prisoners and captives,  
and for our brothers and sisters  
who are persecuted for their faith,  
let us pray to the Lord. **R**

For Charles our King,  
for the leaders of the nations,  
and for all in authority,  
let us pray to the Lord. **R**

For ourselves,  
for grace to repent and amend our lives,  
that we may be pardoned and absolved from all our sins,  
let us pray to the Lord. **R**

Remembering all who have gone before us in faith,  
and in communion with the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
St Peter, St Paul, and all the saints,  
we commit ourselves, one another,  
and our whole life to Christ, our God;

*All sing:*



To you, \_ O Lord.

## THE ORDINATION PRAYER

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*The ordinands continue to kneel before the Bishop, who stands to pray.*

We praise and glorify you, almighty Father,  
because, in your infinite love,  
you have formed throughout the world  
a holy people for your own possession,  
a royal priesthood,  
a universal Church.

We praise and glorify you  
because you sent your only Son Jesus Christ  
to take the form of a slave;  
he humbled himself for our sake,  
and in obedience accepted death,  
even death on a cross.

We praise and glorify you  
because in every age you send your Spirit  
to fill those whom you have chosen,  
to equip your holy people for the work of ministry,  
for the building up of the body of Christ.

And now we give you thanks  
that you have called these your servants,  
whom we ordain in your name,  
to share as deacons in the ministry of the gospel of Christ,  
who came not to be served but to serve,  
and to give his life as a ransom for many.

Therefore, Father, through Christ our Lord we pray:

*The Bishop lays his hands on the head of each ordinand, saying:*

Send down the Holy Spirit on your servant **N**,  
for the office and work of a deacon in your Church.

*When the Bishop has finished the laying on of hands, the prayer continues:*

Through your Spirit, heavenly Father,  
give these your servants grace and power to fulfil their ministry.  
Make them faithful to serve  
and constant in advancing your gospel in the world.

May they follow the example of Jesus Christ your Son,  
who washed the feet of his disciples,  
and set the needs of others before his own.

May their life be disciplined and holy,  
their words declare your love  
and their actions reveal your glory,  
that your people may walk with them in the way of truth  
and be made ready for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ;  
to whom, with you and your Holy Spirit,  
belong glory and honour, worship and praise,  
now and for ever.

**All**      **Amen.**

## **THE WELCOME**

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*Álvaro Sánchez Hurtado stands before the Bishop, who anoints him, saying:*

I anoint you with the oil of gladness  
in your continued ministry as a priest in the Church of God.

*The deacon says to the priest and newly-ordained deacons:*

We preach not ourselves but Christ Jesus as Lord  
and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake.

**All**      **We welcome you as fellow servants in the gospel:  
may Christ dwell in your hearts through faith,  
that you may be rooted and grounded in love.**

*The deacons and priest are welcomed with applause.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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## THE PEACE

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We are all one in Christ Jesus.  
We belong to him through faith,  
heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All may offer one another a sign of peace.*

*During the Hymn, bread and wine are presented at the Altar.*

## THE OFFERTORY HYMN

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Alleluya, sing to Jesus,  
His the sceptre, his the throne;  
Alleluya, his the triumph,  
His the victory alone:  
Hark the songs of peaceful Sion  
Thunder like a mighty flood;  
Jesus out of every nation,  
Hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluya, not as orphans  
Are we left in sorrow now;  
Alleluya, he is near us,  
Faith believes, nor questions how;  
Though the cloud from sight received him  
When the forty days were o'er,  
Shall our hearts forget his promise,  
'I am with you evermore?'

Alleluya, Bread of Angels,  
Thou on earth our food, our stay;  
Alleluya, here the sinful  
Flee to thee from day to day;  
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,  
Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,  
Where the songs of all the sinless  
Sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluya, King eternal,  
Thee the Lord of lords we own;  
Alleluya, born of Mary,  
Earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:  
Thou within the veil hast entered,  
Robed in flesh, our great High Priest;  
Thou on earth both Priest and Victim  
In the Eucharistic Feast.

**TUNE: HYFRYDOL**  
R. H. Pritchard (1811-1887)

**TEXT:**  
W. Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)

## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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**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.**

It is indeed right and good,  
our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks and praise  
through your servant, Jesus Christ our Lord.

At his baptism, he was revealed as your beloved Son.  
Coming among us as one who serves,  
he taught us that the greatest in your kingdom  
are those who make themselves least  
and the servants of all.

Although he was their teacher and their Lord,  
he washed the feet of his disciples  
and commanded us to do the same,  
that we might reveal the power of your love,  
made perfect in our human weakness.

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.

Benedictus qui venit  
in nomine Domini.  
Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy  
Lord God of Sabaoth.  
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.

*The President continues:*

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,  
Peter, Paul 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

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As our Saviour taught us so we pray.

*Please pray in whichever language you feel most comfortable.*

All **Our Father, which art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name.  
Thy kingdom come.  
Thy will be done,  
in earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive them  
that trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil:  
for thine is the kingdom,  
the power, and the glory,  
for ever and 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

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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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

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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. All are welcome to receive either Holy Communion or a blessing. Please wait in your seat until the Stewards direct you. If you wish to receive from the chalice, please go to the point of administration after receiving the host. Do not dip the host into the chalice. If you would like to receive a blessing, please bow your head. If you require a gluten-free host, please queue in the Nave for the Bishop.*

*Baptised persons who are communicant members of other Churches which subscribe to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity are welcome to receive communion. Whatever your faith tradition or background, you are most welcome to come forward for a blessing.*

*During the distribution, the Choir sings:*

## AGNUS DEI

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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

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Set me as a seal upon thine heart • William Walton (1902-1983)

Set me as a seal upon thine heart,  
as a seal upon thine arm:  
for love is strong as death.

Many waters cannot quench love,  
neither can the floods drown it:

Set me as a seal upon thine heart,  
as a seal upon thine arm:  
for love is strong as death.

adapted from Song of Solomon 8.6-7

Then, please remain seated to sing:

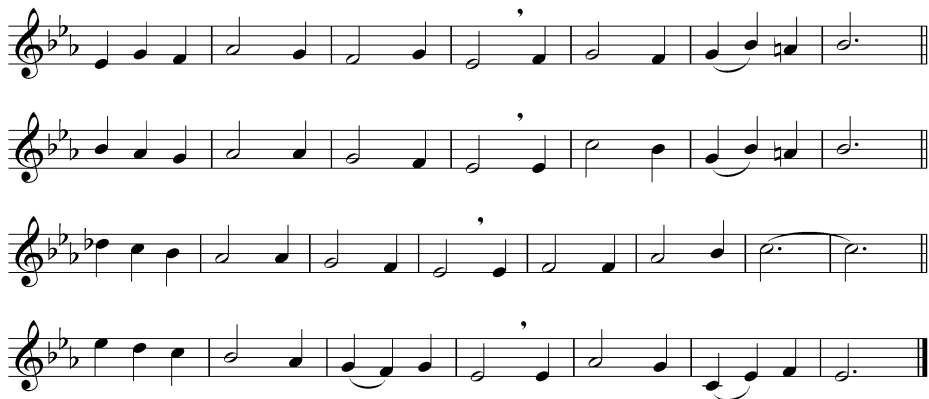
## THE COMMUNION HYMN

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NEH 373 (t. CP 466)



How shall I sing that majesty  
Which angels do admire?  
Let dust in dust and silence lie;  
Sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.  
Thousands of thousands stand around  
Thy throne, O God most high;  
Ten thousand times ten thousand sound  
Thy praise; but who am I?



Thy brightness unto them appears,  
Whilst I thy footsteps trace;  
A sound of God comes to my ears,  
But they behold thy face.  
They sing because thou art their Sun;  
Lord, send a beam on me;  
For where heaven is but once begun  
There alleluyas be.

Enlighten with faith's light my heart,  
Inflame it with love's fire;  
Then shall I sing and bear a part  
With that celestial choir.  
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold,  
With all my fire and light;  
Yet when thou dost accept their gold,  
Lord, treasure up my mite.

How great a being, Lord, is thine,  
Which doth all beings keep!  
Thy knowledge is the only line  
To sound so vast a deep.  
Thou art a sea without a shore,  
A sun without a sphere;  
Thy time is now and evermore,  
Thy place is everywhere.

**TUNE: COE FEN**  
Ken Naylor (1931-1991)

**TEXT:**  
John Mason (c. 1646-1694)

## THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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*Please stand.*

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

Holy and blessed God,  
you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son  
and filled us with your Holy Spirit:  
may we honour you,  
not only with our lips  
but in lives dedicated to the service  
of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

All We thank you, gracious Father,  
for welcoming your children to feast in your kingdom;  
by your love unite us  
and with your Spirit send us,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## THE GIVING OF THE BIBLE

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*The new deacons move to stand at the bottom of the Tower Steps in the Nave in their episcopal areas, and the Area Bishops give the New Testament to each of them, after which the Bishop says:*

Receive this book,  
as a sign of the authority given you this day  
to speak God's word to his people.  
Build them up in his truth  
and serve them in his name.

## THE SENDING OUT

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*The Bishop says:*

All The Lord be with you  
and also with you.

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

All Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
now and for ever. Amen.

*The Bishop pronounces a blessing.*

God who has called you is faithful.  
May the Father, whose glory fills the heavens,  
cleanse you by his holiness  
and send you to proclaim his word.

**All**      **Amen.**

May Christ, who has ascended to the heights,  
pour upon you the riches of his grace.

**All**      **Amen.**

May the Holy Spirit, the comforter,  
equip you and strengthen you in your ministry.

**All**      **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be upon you and remain with you always.

**All**      **Amen.**

*The Deacon dismisses the congregation.*

Go in the light and peace of Christ.

**All**      **Thanks be to God.**

## THE FINAL HYMN

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Go forth and tell! O church of God, awake!  
God's saving news to all the nations take:  
proclaim Christ Jesus, Saviour, Lord and King,  
that all the world his worthy praise may sing.

Go forth and tell! God's love embraces all;  
he will in grace respond to all who call;  
how shall they call if they have never heard  
the gracious invitation of his word?

Go forth and tell! the doors are open wide;  
share God's good gifts, let no one be denied;  
live out your life as Christ your Lord shall choose,  
your ransomed powers for his sole glory use.

Go forth and tell! O church of God, arise!  
Go in the strength which Christ your Lord supplies;  
go till all nations his great name adore  
and serve him, Lord and King for evermore!

**TUNE: WOODLANDS**  
Walter Greatorex (1877-1949)

**TEXT:**  
James Seddon (1915-1983)

## THE VOLUNTARY

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**Grand chœur dialogué • Eugène Gigout (1844-1925)**

*Please remain standing as the Choir and clergy depart.*

*Thank you for joining us on this special occasion. 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. We look forward to welcoming you back.*



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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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