

SOUTHWARK

◆ CATHEDRAL ◆

CHORAL EUCHARIST

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

SUNDAY 12 JULY 2026

11.00AM

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CHORAL EUCHARIST

PRESIDENT

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



DEACON

The Rev'd Canon Deacon Frances Hiller, Honorary Minor Canon



SUBDEACON & PREACHER

Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor



CHOIR & MUSICIANS

The Cathedral Choir
Helen Smee, Director of Music
Simon Hogan, Cathedral Organist



SETTING

Messe solennelle
Louis Vierne (1870-1937)



MUSIC BEFORE THE SERVICE

Prélude, Fugue et Variation, Op. 18
César Franck (1822-1890)

Please stand as the Procession enters.

THE ENTRANCE HYMN

NEH 466



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 to all humankind
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.

Blessèd and holy Three,
Glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, Love, Might,
Boundless as ocean's tide
Rolling in fullest pride,
Through the world far and wide
Let there be light.

TUNE: MOSCOW

Adapted from a tune by F. Giardini (1716-1796)
in Madan's *Collection* 1769

TEXT:

John Marriott (1780-1825)

THE GATHERING

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

All Amen.

The Lord be with you.

All and also with you.

The President welcomes the congregation and introduces the celebration.

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

THE PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

God so loved the world
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ
to save us from our sins,
to be our advocate in heaven,
and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments
and to live in love and peace with all.

Silence is kept.

**All Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name.
Amen.**

THE ABSOLUTION

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Please sit when the President sits. The choir sings:

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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

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

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

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

O Lord, the only-begotten Son,
Jesus Christ,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
who takes away the sin of the
world: have mercy on us;
You 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.

THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
through 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.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 55.10-13

Read by **Linda Hutchinson**

A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

As the rain and the snow come down from heaven,
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

THE SECOND READING

Romans 8.1-11

Read by **Andrew Downey**

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

This is the word of the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23

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.

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!'

'Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

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

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor

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 **Kristin Ruby, Cathedral Warden***

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

We are the body of Christ.
In the one Spirit we were all baptised into one body.
Let us then pursue all that makes for peace
and builds up our common life.

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 408i



Love Divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in thee,
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

TUNE: BLAENWERN

William Rowlands (1860-1937)

TEXT:

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Blessèd be God,
by whose grace creation is renewed,
by whose love heaven is opened,
by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of 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.**

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

From sunrise to sunset this day is holy,
for Christ has risen from the tomb
and scattered the darkness of death
with light that will not fade.

This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people,
unfolds for us your word,
and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread.
And though the night will overtake this day,
you summon us to live in endless light,
the never-ceasing sabbath of the Lord.

And so, with choirs of angels
and with all the heavenly host,
we proclaim your glory
and join their unending song of praise:

The Choir sings:

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

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

The President continues:

We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command,
send your Holy Spirit,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he praised you.
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:

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Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary,
and all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour taught us so we pray.

Please pray in whichever language you feel most comfortable.

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

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

All **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessèd are those who are called to his supper.

All **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

Please be seated. If you wish to receive Holy Communion or a blessing, please follow the directions of the Stewards. If you wish to receive from the chalice, please go to the point of administration after receiving the host. Receiving Communion in one kind is still receiving Communion in full. Please do not dip the host into the chalice.

If you would like to receive a blessing, please bow your head.

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

During the distribution of Communion, the Choir sings:

AGNUS DEI

Agnus Dei, qui tollis
peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis
peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

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

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

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

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

Followed by:

THE COMMUNION ANTHEM

O salutaris hostia • Marcel Dupré (1886-1971)

O salutaris hostia
quae caeli pandis ostium;
bella premunt hostilia.
Da robur, fer auxilium.
Uni trinoque Domino
sit sempiterna Gloria,
qui vitam sine termino
nobis donet in patria.
Amen.

O saving victim,
who opens wide the door of heaven,
hostile armies press on us,
Give strength; bring aid.
To the One and Triune Lord,
may there be everlasting glory;
who gives life without end
in our true homeland.
Amen.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand.

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

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

THE NOTICES

Please be seated.

THE BLESSING

Please stand.

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

May the God of hope fill you
with all joy and peace in believing;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Please turn to face the Font at the West End as the Cross passes.

THE FINAL HYMN

NEH 476



Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
And publish abroad his wonderful name:
The name all-victorious of Jesus extol:
His kingdom is glorious, and rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save;	Salvation to God who sits on the throne!
And still he is nigh, his presence we have:	Let all cry aloud, and honour the Son:
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,	The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
Ascribing salvation to Jesus our King,	Fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give him his right:
All glory and power, all wisdom and might,
All honour and blessing, with angels above,
And thanks never-ceasing, and infinite love.

TUNE: PADERBORN

Paderborn Gesangbuch

TEXT:

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

All in the name of Christ. Amen.

VOLUNTARY

Allegro con brio from **Sonata 8 • Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911)**

Please leave the Cathedral by the North West doors and the Millennium Courtyard.
Please consider supporting us by giving using the contactless donation points if you
have not set up a regular payment. Thank you for joining us. We look forward to
welcoming you back.

◆ NOTICES ◆

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 12 JULY • THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.30am	Morning Prayer*
9.00am	Eucharist <i>Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor</i>
9.30am	Eucharist at St Hugh's <i>Iris Tomlins, LLM</i>
11.00am	Choral Eucharist* <i>Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor</i>
3.00pm	Choral Evensong with Chorister Valedictions* <i>The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark</i>
6.00pm	Compline†

MONDAY 13 — FRIDAY 17 JULY

9.00am	Morning Prayer*
9.30am	Eucharist (Tuesday only)
12.00pm	Vigil for Peace (Friday only)
12.30pm	Midday Prayer with the Litany of Reconciliation (Friday only)
12.45pm	Eucharist
5.30pm	Evening Prayer

SATURDAY 18 JULY

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

SUNDAY 19 JULY • THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY, CROSSBONES

8.30am	Morning Prayer*
9.00am	Eucharist <i>Canon Jeremy Clark-King, Treasurer</i>
9.30am	Eucharist at St Hugh's <i>Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean & Pastor</i>
11.00am	Choral Eucharist* <i>Canon Jeremy Clark-King, Treasurer</i>
1.00pm	Act of Regret, Remembrance & Restoration at Crossbones Graveyard
3.00pm	Choral Evensong <i>Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian</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:

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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. 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 available on the Cathedral website.

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
London Bridge
London, SE1 9DA

LIVING FAITHFULLY & SOCIAL JUSTICE

The new Living Faithfully and Social Justice Literacy Programme leaflets are now available from around the Cathedral and on the website. Please take one home and join us for these exciting programmes.

SHARDA ROZENA

I am delighted to announce that following a review of Sharda's work as Volunteers Officer and in recognition of her increased responsibilities Sharda's job title is now Volunteers Manager.

She will continue to work the same hours each week. I am really grateful to Sharda for all that she does in encouraging, supporting and recruiting our amazing volunteer team.

CHORISTER VALEDICTIONS

TODAY, 3.00PM

This afternoon we say farewell to choristers from the Cathedral Choir who will be finishing their time with us. We wish them all well as they continue their musical journeys. Do join us, if you can.

BISHOP CHRISTOPHER'S FAREWELL EUCHARIST

SATURDAY 18 JULY 2026, 12.00PM

Please join us to give thanks for Bishop Christopher's ministry as he retires from his role as the tenth Bishop of Southwark.

The service will be followed by a drinks reception in the Cathedral Churchyard.

- With regret, due to space constraints, only visiting Bishops and ecumenical dignitaries are invited to robe
- For those who wish and are able, contributions towards a diocesan gift for Bishop Christopher may be made via bank transfer to South London Church Fund (60-60-04 / 70380740). Please use the reference *Chessun.720*.

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.

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.

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

PRAYING FOR A NEW BISHOP OF SOUTHWARK

Bishop Christopher sadly retires later this summer and work is progressing on 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:

**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.**

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL PODCAST

EPISODE 18

LARA MAIKLEM ON MUDLARKING AND THE HIDDEN HISTORY OF THE THAMES

In this episode, Sub Dean Michael Rawson speaks with author and renowned mudlark Lara Maiklem about uncovering the hidden stories of the tidal Thames. From its origins among Victorian river scavengers to today's thriving community of mudlarks, Lara explores how objects revealed by the river's tides offer remarkable insights into London's past.

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

QUARTER PEAL TO MARK +CHRISTOPHER'S RETIREMENT

The Cathedral bellringers will ring a quarter peal today after the 11.00am Choral Eucharist to mark the retirement of +Christopher.

VACANCY FOR YOUTH XPRESS LEADERS

We are looking for volunteer leaders for Youth Xpress, our programme for young people in Year 6 - Year 11 (ages 10/11 to 15/16). Youth Xpress meets once a month in term-time at the same time as the 11.00am service, and discusses a broad range of topics and issues within a Christian context in an informal setting. Volunteers would be expected to commit to one Sunday a term (so maximum of three across the year) and work with the other leader to prepare the session and then lead it.

Find out more from the Sub Dean michael.rawson@southwark.anglican.org

Please apply to Cathedral.Volunteers@southwark.anglican.org

NEW COMMUNITY OF THE CROSS OF NAILS NEWSLETTER

The Community of the Cross of Nails are setting up a new newsletter. Members of the Cathedral congregation are encouraged to sign up to receive this here:

<https://gmail.us5.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=907e322e169fbb8e827bd5a1b&id=afd25b5cd7>

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/>

SERVICE AT CROSSBONES CEMETERY

SUNDAY 19 JULY, PROCESSION LEAVES THE CATHEDRAL AT 12.30PM

Following the 11.00am Choral Eucharist next Sunday, we will process to Crossbones Graveyard where we will join with local dignitaries for an act of regret, remembrance and restoration of those who are buried in the graveyard. Do join us for this important symbolic act. The Procession leaves the Cathedral at 12.30pm.

The service is followed by The Bards - performances of songs, music and poetry led by John Constable/Crow. Audience members are invited to offer a performance to honour the garden's outcast dead, all are welcome to participate.

12.30pm	Clergy leave Southwark Cathedral
12.45pm	Arrival at Crossbones Graveyard
1.00-2.00pm	Act of Regret
2.00-4.00pm	The Bards
4.30pm	Crossbones Graveyard closes

This event is free and all are welcome, but please book a [free ticket via Eventbrite](#).



Summer Organ Festival

Join us for a summer of organ music as we host five organ recitals on the renowned T.C Lewis organ of Southwark Cathedral.

3 August | Zuzana Ferjenčíkova (Paris)
10 August | Colin Walsh (Lincoln)
17 August | Simon Hogan (Southwark)
24 August | Martin Schmeding (Germany)
31 August | Jean-Baptiste Monnot (France)

Tickets from £5 available on Eventbrite



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.

CALL FOR CHORISTER AUDITIONS

Interested in becoming a chorister here at Southwark? Now is your last chance!

We're currently auditioning boys and girls in Year 3 to start this September. World-class, life-changing musical opportunities are on offer! Deadline for applications is Sunday at midday. You can apply here:



PARISH PICNIC

We had a great time at the Parish Picnic recently after the Sunday Eucharist. It was such a good opportunity for everyone to meet new people. And lovely to have a little more time to get to know people we already knew a little bit better.

And of course a big thank you to everyone who brought food, helped set up, helped serve, helped clear up on one of the hottest days we've had this year. We truly couldn't have done it without everyone pitching in. The next one is in October!

Kristin and Maggie, Cathedral Wardens

◆ PRAYER LIST ◆

THE SICK

Michael W, Dee Dee HS, Franki G, Rob B, Frances G, Julie A, Justine M, Sarah M, Andy B, Jack C, Joan M, Madeleine L, Cyril B, Andrew C, Judy, Tom J, Carla S, Bryan S, Susan P, Margaret B, Maggie T, Mary G, Luke D, Charlie R, Jean P, Pam M, Shireen, Dinah K, Sarah R, Sally P, Sam J, Elizabeth H, Christopher KD, Santou BC, Caroline C, Paul DF

THE DEPARTED

Joseph Gilbert, Stephen Williams, Margaret Martin, Arthur McHale

YEAR'S MIND

Jim Wilson, Bryan Trevor, Robert McConnell, Derek Bartlett, Eileen Weston, Christopher Ogilvie Jones, Graham Smith, David Freeman

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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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