

SOUTHWARK
◆ CATHEDRAL ◆

CHORAL EUCHARIST

THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

SUNDAY 2 AUGUST 2026

11.00AM

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WELCOME TO SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL

A MEMBER OF THE



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Please switch your device to 'T'.

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

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

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CHORAL EUCHARIST

PRESIDENT

Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian

DEACON

Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean & Pastor

SUBDEACON & PREACHER

Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor

CHOIR

Vivamus

SETTING

Mass in G
Francis Poulenc (1899-1963)

MUSIC BEFORE THE SERVICE

Cantabile *from* **Trois Pièces pour Grand Orgue**
César Franck (1822-1890)

Please stand as the Procession enters.

THE ENTRANCE HYMN

NEH 436



Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
To his feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who like me his praise should sing?
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise the everlasting King!

Praise him for his grace and favour
To our fathers in distress;
Praise him still the same forever,
Slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like he tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame he knows;
In his hands he gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Widely as his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him;
Ye behold him face to face;
Sun and moon bow down before him,
Dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise with us the God of grace!

TUNE: PRAISE, MY SOUL

John Goss (1800-1880)

TEXT:

H. F. Lyte (1793-1847)

THE GATHERING

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

All Amen.

The Lord be with you.

All and also with you.

The President welcomes the congregation and introduces the celebration.

THE PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart God will not despise.

Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion,
and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

Silence is kept.

**All Father eternal, giver of light and grace,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour,
in what we have thought,
in what we have said and done,
through ignorance, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We have wounded your love,
and marred your image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed,
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 lead us out from darkness
to walk as children of light.
Amen.**

THE ABSOLUTION

May the Father of all mercies
cleanse you from your sins,
and restore you in his image
to the praise and glory of his name,
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.

Please stand.

THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Almighty God,
who sent your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of your Church:
open our hearts to the riches of your grace,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love and joy and peace;
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 55.1-5

Read by **Constance Boggis-Rolfe**

A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Ho, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and you that have no money,
come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.
Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labour for that which does not satisfy?
Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.
Incline your ear, and come to me;
listen, so that you may live.
I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.

See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.
See, you shall call nations that you do not know,
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

THE RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 145.14-end



The response is:

The Lord upholds all those who fall
and lifts up all those who are bowed down.
The eyes of all wait upon you O Lord,
and you give them their food in due season. **R**

You open wide your hand
and fill all things living with plenty.
The Lord is righteous in all his ways
and loving in all his works. **R**

The Lord is near to those who call upon him,
to all who call upon him faithfully.
He fulfils the desire of those who fear him,
he hears their cry and saves them. **R**

The Lord watches over those who love him,
but all the wicked shall he destroy.
My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord
and let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever. **R**

THE SECOND READING

Romans 9.1-5

Read by **Michael Butscher**

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit— I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen.

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 14.13-21

The Lord be with you

All **and also with you.**

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

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

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.' Jesus said to them, 'They need not go away; you give them something to eat.' They replied, 'We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.' And he said, 'Bring them here to me.' Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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 **Dandison Allen-Thomas**

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

May the God of peace sanctify you:
may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness
that you may be blameless before him
at the coming of our Lord Jesus with his saints.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

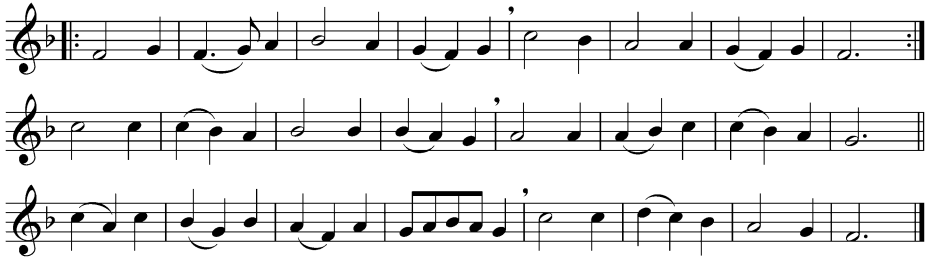
During the Hymn, bread and wine are presented at the Altar. A collection is taken (cash or contactless as detailed on page 2). Please use this QR code or the link to donate online.

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THE OFFERTORY HYMN

NEH 271



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

Richard Huw Pritchard (1811-1887)

TEXT:

W. Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Wise and gracious God,
you spread a table before us;
nourish your people with the word of life
and the bread of heaven.

All **Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

All The Lord be with you
 and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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,
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,

All

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 Blessèd 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. 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

Panis angelicus • César Franck (1822-1890)

Panis angelicus
fit panis hominum.
Dat panis coelicus
figuris terminum,
O res mirabilis!
Manducat Dominum
pauper, pauper
servus et humilis

The angel's bread
becomes the bread of humankind.
The heavenly bread
is the end of all symbols,
Oh, miraculous thing!
The body of the Lord will nourish
the poor, poor
and humble servant

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand.

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Holy Father,
who gathered us here around the table of your Son
to share this meal with the whole household of God:
in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace,
gather people of every race and language
to share in the eternal banquet 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
All and also with you.

Christ, who has nourished us with himself the living bread,
make you one in praise and love,
and raise you up at the last day;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

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

THE FINAL HYMN

NEH 368



Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty,
Hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through:
Strong Deliverer,
Be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell's Destruction
Land me safe on Canaan's side:
Songs of praises
I will ever give to thee.

TUNE: CWM RHONDDA

John Hughes (1873-1932)

TEXT:

Welsh, William Williams (1717-1791)
tr. Peter Williams (1727-1796) et al.

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

VOLUNTARY

Fanfare from Four Extemporisations • Percy Whitlock (1903-1946)

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welcoming you back.

◆ NOTICES ◆

WORSHIP

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Services marked with a † are only available online.

Preachers are indicated in *italics*.

SUNDAY 2 AUGUST • THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.30am	Morning Prayer*
9.00am	Eucharist <i>Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor</i>
9.30am	Eucharist at St Hugh's <i>The Rev'd Canon Dr Alun Ford, Chaplain to the Bishop of Southwark</i>
11.00am	Choral Eucharist* <i>Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor</i>
3.00pm	Choral Evensong <i>Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean & Pastor</i>
6.00pm	Compline†

MONDAY 3 — FRIDAY 7 AUGUST

9.00am	Morning Prayer*
9.30am	Eucharist (Tuesday only)
12.00pm	Vigil for Peace in the Holy Land
12.30pm	Midday Prayer with the Litany of Reconciliation (Friday only)
12.45pm	Eucharist
4.00pm	Evening Prayer

SATURDAY 8 AUGUST

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

SUNDAY 9 AUGUST • THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.30am	Morning Prayer*
9.00am	Eucharist <i>Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean & Pastor</i>
9.30am	Eucharist at St Hugh's <i>Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor</i>
11.00am	Choral Eucharist* <i>Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean & Pastor</i>
3.00pm	Choral Evensong <i>The Rev'd Canon Deacon Frances Hiller, Honorary Minor Canon</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 and YOUTH XPRESS are on their summer break and resume again on Sunday 13 September.

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.

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.

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:

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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.

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/bdздpuhp>. 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.

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/>

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 on Tuesday 4 August 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 20 • WILL TOSH ON SHAKESPEARE'S QUEER LIVES

In this episode of the Southwark Cathedral podcast, the Dean speaks with Dr Will Tosh, Director of Education at Shakespeare's Globe, about his book *Straight Acting: The Many Queer Lives of William Shakespeare*. They explore how Shakespeare's works depict intimacy, desire and identity, and why modern ideas of sexuality do not easily map onto the early modern world.

[Listen wherever you get your podcasts.](#)
<https://southwarkcathedralpodcast.podbean.com/>

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

VISIT FROM ROUEN CATHEDRAL

FRIDAY 23 — SUNDAY 25 OCTOBER 2026

The Cathedral Unity Group is looking forward to hosting visitors from our twinned Cathedral in Rouen over the weekend of 23-25 October. We are hoping that some members of the congregation might be willing to offer hospitality by providing accommodation for our guests. Over the years many friendships have been made and sustained in this way. The Unity Group hosts visits from Rouen and Bergen Cathedrals every other year, so in addition to requesting offers of accommodation on this occasion, we would like to build up a bank of parishioners who would like to help with this in the future.

If you are interested supporting our ecumenical relationships in this way, please could you speak to Frances Hiller or any other member of the Unity Group, or else email franceschiller@gmail.com

PASTORAL MINISTRY IN THE CATHEDRAL

Peppy Meunier-Brock has been recommended to train as a Commissioned Pastoral Lay Minister over the coming twelve months and will be licensed in the autumn of 2027. She will join Heather Boothe in working alongside the Sub Dean in pastoral care. Congratulations, Peppy!

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.

MOTHERS' UNION NEW BANNER APPEAL

As members of the Mothers' Union here and at St Hugh's, we are proud to be part of the global family of faith that is the Mothers Union, committed to supporting family life in all its forms. It works in bringing transformation, love and hope into families and communities around the world, and this includes our twinned Diocese of Masvingo, where we continue to have a strong connection with the branches there. The Mothers' Union is 150 years old this year, and our branch, which is now ten years old, has been thinking about our visibility. If you like visiting churches, you will often find an MU banner tucked away somewhere. We would like to commission a banner for our branch. This will be a work of art on permanent display, part of the fabric of the Cathedral, and we are happy to be working on the design with the charity, Fine Cell Work, which is committed to the rehabilitation of people in prison. We hope to carry it in procession at Mothers' Union events, along with all the other branch banners, and on other special occasions. We are looking to raise funds towards the cost of this banner, and we hope that members of the congregation would feel able to support us by contributing towards the £5,800 needed for this.

So far we have raised £1,937.50 and we are so grateful for your generosity. If you haven't yet had chance to contribute please help us to raise the remaining £996.50 for the deposit.

Donations may be made using this QR code:



ENGLISH CATHEDRALS EXHIBITION

21 JULY – 31 AUGUST

The Peter Marlow Foundation exhibition, 'The English Cathedral' featuring Peter Marlow's photographs of the naves of each of England's 42 Anglican cathedrals, will be on display in Southwark Cathedral until the end of August.

In 2008 Peter Marlow was commissioned by Royal Mail on the 300-year anniversary of the completion of St Paul's Cathedral to photograph six cathedrals. These were to be issued as commemorative stamps.

Peter was inspired to continue this pilgrimage and capture all 42 cathedrals of the Church of England using only natural light. This formed an ethereal collection of images, comparing and contrasting the architectural nuances of the Anglican Cathedrals.

PROJECTS IN OUR LINK DIOCESE OF MASVINGO, ZIMBABWE

It was great to see Bishop Osiward and his wife, Jane, from our Link Diocese in Masvingo, Zimbabwe, in the Cathedral on Saturday for Bishop Christopher's farewell and again for the 11.00am Choral Eucharist.

On Sunday 2 August we have a meeting of our Link Group to distribute the money that we have raised for projects since the Bishop's visit in April. So, if you have not already done so please consider giving what you can to help with the projects. The Cathedral soup Kitchen offers hot meals to those in need and this costs just £72 per annum for one person: might you be able to help with the cost of this? Or the schools supplementary feeding programme costs just £20 to feed a child for an academic year. Might you be able to help with this?

If you are able to give please use the QR code here →

Could you please also indicate which project the money that you are giving to is to go towards.

You can do this by emailing Canon Wendy on wendy.robins@southwark.anglican.org and she will make sure that the Finance team make sure that the money is directed in this way.



We would also like to encourage regular donations from members of the congregation so that we can give regular amounts of money to the Diocese of Masvingo for budget support.

Please also be in touch with Canon Wendy or any member of the Link Group if you would like any further information. Thank you.



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



CONNECTED SOCIAL

MONDAY 3 AUGUST, 6.30-8.00PM

Connected, the Cathedral's young adults group, will meet on Monday 3 August from 18.30-20.00pm for a social drink at the Old Thameside Inn (next to the Golden Hinde).

For more information, please contact Jack Fleming on jandrflaming@pm.me or speak to Fr Michael.

ENDING ABUSIVE THEOLOGIES: BEGINNING AGAIN WITH LOVE

THURSDAY 13 AUGUST, 6.30PM

Professor Adrian Thatcher, Honorary Professor of Theology at the University of Exeter, will discuss how harmful interpretations of Christian beliefs can contribute to abuse and damage both individuals and the Church. Drawing on his book *Ending Abusive Theologies*, he explores the links between theology, church abuse scandals and the decline of Christian belief in the West. While confronting difficult themes, including biblical violence and abusive portrayals of God, he points towards a gospel-centred theology rooted in justice, peace and love. The talk begins at 6.30 pm in the Library. Tickets are £5 from Eventbrite (scan the QR code).



◆ 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, Lizzie-Ann, Luke D, Charlie R, Mary H, Frank C, Adrian C, 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

Ann, Margaret Martin, Stephen Williams, Simon Ree, Steve Beal, Rex Satchwell, Sue Blenkinsop

YEAR'S MIND

Mary Bland, Hugh Ellis, Andrew Duff-Cooper, Jonathan Richard Varker, Louis Robert Curcio, Ian Keatley, Daniel Kearns, Barry Cholrton, Derek Blows, Rik Johansson

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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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