

SOUTHWARK
◆ CATHEDRAL ◆

CHORAL EUCHARIST

THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

SUNDAY 9 AUGUST 2026

11.00AM

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CHORAL EUCHARIST

PRESIDENT

Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor



DEACON

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



SUBDEACON & PREACHER

Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean & Pastor



CHOIR

The Choir of St Mary of Charity, Faversham



SETTING

**Missa brevis Sancti Ioannis de Deo
Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)**

Please stand as the Procession enters.

THE ENTRANCE HYMN

NEH 433



O worship the King
All glorious above;
O gratefully sing
His power and his love:
Our Shield and Defender,
The Ancient of days,
Pavilioned in splendour,
And girded with praise.

O tell of his might,
O sing of his grace,
Whose robe is the light,
Whose canopy space.
His chariots of wrath
The deep thunder-clouds form,
And dark is his path
On the wings of the storm.

This earth, with its store
Of wonders untold,
Almighty, thy power
Hath founded of old:
Hath stablished it fast
By a changeless decree,
And round it hath cast,
Like a mantle, the sea.

Thy bountiful care
What tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air,
It shines in the light;
It streams from the hills,
It descends to the plain,
And sweetly distils
In the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust,
And feeble as frail,
In thee do we trust,
Nor find thee to fail;
Thy mercies how tender!
How firm to the end!
Our Maker, Defender,
Redeemer, and Friend.

O measureless Might,
Ineffable Love,
While angels delight
To hymn thee above,
Thy humbler creation,
Though feeble their lays,
With true adoration
Shall sing to thy praise.

TUNE: HANOVER

Melody and bass by William Croft
(1678-1727)

TEXT:

Robert Grant (1779-1838)

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

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 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

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.

Please stand.

THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Let your merciful ears, O Lord,
be open to the prayers of your humble servants;
and that they may obtain their petitions
make them to ask such things as shall please you;
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

1 Kings 19.9-18

Read by **Daniel Chumbley**

A reading from the First Book of Kings.

At that place Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there.

Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.'

He said, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by.' Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword.'

I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.' Then the LORD said to him, 'Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.'

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

THE RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 85.8-13

The response is:



I will listen to what the Lord God will say,
for he shall speak peace to his people and to the faithful,
that they turn not again to folly.
Truly his salvation is near to those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land. **R**

Mercy and truth are met together,
righteousness and peace have kissed each other;
Truth shall spring up from the earth
and righteousness look down from heaven. **R**

The Lord will indeed give all that is good,
and our land will yield its increase.
Righteousness shall go before him
and direct his steps in the way. **R**

THE SECOND READING

Romans 10.5-15

Read by **Odette Penwarden**

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.' But the righteousness that comes from faith says, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?"' (that is, to bring Christ down) 'or "Who will descend into the abyss?"' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

'The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart'

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'

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 14.22-33

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.

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.'

Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean & Pastor

THE CREED

Please stand.

**All We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.**

Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

Please be seated or kneel.

The prayers are led by Philip Feakin

These responses may be used:

Lord, in your mercy,
All hear our prayer.

(or)

Lord, hear us.
All Lord, graciously hear us.

And at the end:

Merciful Father,
**All accept these prayers
 for the sake of your Son,
 our Saviour Jesus Christ.
 Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Please stand.

THE PEACE

May the God of peace make you perfect and holy,
that you may be kept safe and blameless
in spirit, soul and body,
for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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 338



At the name of Jesus
Every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess him
King of glory now;
'Tis the Father's pleasure
We should call him Lord,
Who from the beginning
Was the mighty Word.

At his voice creation
Sprang at once to sight,
All the angel faces,
All the hosts of light,
Thrones and dominations,
Stars upon their way,
All the heavenly orders,
In their great array.

Humbled for a season,
To receive a name
From the lips of sinners
Unto whom he came,
Faithfully he bore it
Spotless to the last,
Brought it back victorious
When from death he passed:

Bore it up triumphant
With its human light,
Through all ranks of creatures,
To the central height,
To the throne of Godhead,
To the Father's breast;
Filled it with the glory
Of that perfect rest.

In your hearts enthrone him;
There let him subdue
All that is not holy,
All that is not true:
He is God the Saviour,
He is Christ the Lord,
Ever to be worshipped,
Trusted, and adored.

TUNE: EVELYNS

W. H. Monk (1823-1889)

TEXT:

Caroline Noel (1817-1877)

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.**

Blessèd are you, Lord God,
our light and our salvation;
to you be glory and praise for ever.

From the beginning you have created all things
and all your works echo the silent music of your praise.
In the fullness of time you made us in your image,
the crown of all creation.

You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels
and all the powers of heaven
we may find a voice to sing your 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:

How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord.
As a mother tenderly gathers her children,
you embraced a people as your own.
When they turned away and rebelled
your love remained steadfast.

From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary,
to be the living bread,
in whom all our hungers are satisfied.

He offered his life for sinners,
and with a love stronger than death
he opened wide his arms on the cross.

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

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, 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.

All

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Father, we plead with confidence
his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross;
we remember his dying and rising in glory,
and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you
these gifts of your creation;
may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence,
form us in the likeness of Christ,
and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Remember, Lord, your Church in every land.
Reveal her unity, guard her faith,
and preserve her in peace.

Bring us at the last with the Blessèd Virgin Mary
and all the saints
to the vision of that eternal splendour
for which you have created us;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
by whom, with whom, and in whom,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

All

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour taught us so we pray.

Please pray in whichever language you feel most comfortable.

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

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

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

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

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

Please be seated. If you wish to receive Holy Communion or a blessing, please follow the directions of the Stewards. If you wish to receive from the chalice, please go to the point of administration after receiving the host. 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

Never weather-beaten sail • Charles Wood (1866-1926)

Never weather-beaten sail more willing bent to shore.
Never tired pilgrim's limbs affected slumber more,
Than my wearied sprite now longs to fly out of my troubled breast:
O come quickly, sweetest Lord, and take my soul to rest.

Ever blooming are the joys of Heaven's high Paradise.
Cold age deafts not there our ears nor vapour dims our eyes:
Glory there the sun outshines whose beams the blessed only see:
O come quickly, glorious Lord, and raise my sprite to thee!

Thomas Campion (1567-1620)

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand.

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

God of our pilgrimage,
you have willed that the gate of mercy
should stand open for those who trust in you:
look upon us with your favour
that we who follow the path of your will
may never wander from the way of life;
through 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.**

All Amen.

THE NOTICES

Please be seated.

THE BLESSING

Please stand.

All The Lord be with you
 and also with you.

Go forth into the world in peace;
be of good courage;
hold fast that which is good;
render to no one evil for evil;
strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak;
help the afflicted; honour everyone;
love and serve the Lord,
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit;
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

CP 437 (t. NEH 186)



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 glorious 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 Greathorex (1877-1949)

TEXT:

James E. Seddon (1915-1983)

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

VOLUNTARY

Finale from Sonata No. 5 • Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

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 you again soon.*

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Preachers are indicated in italics.

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†

MONDAY 10 — FRIDAY 14 AUGUST

9.00am	Morning Prayer*
9.30am	Eucharist (Tuesday only)
12.30pm	Midday Prayer with the Litany of Reconciliation (Friday only)
12.45pm	Eucharist
4.00pm	Evening Prayer

SATURDAY 15 AUGUST

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

SUNDAY 16 AUGUST • THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.30am	Morning Prayer*
9.00am	Eucharist <i>Canon Kathryn Fleming, Precentor</i>
9.30am	Eucharist at St Hugh's <i>Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian</i>
11.00am	Choral Eucharist* <i>Canon Kathryn Fleming, Precentor</i>
3.00pm	Choral Evensong <i>Canon Jeremy Clark-King, Treasurer</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

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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).



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

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY AT ST HUGH'S

RETURNING ON THURSDAY 11 SEPTEMBER, 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/>

PRAYING FOR A NEW BISHOP OF SOUTHWARK

Bishop Christopher has now retired 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.**

SILENT PRAYER GROUP

SUNDAY 16 AUGUST, 9.45AM, GARRY WESTON LIBRARY

The Silent Prayer Group will be meeting as usual on the 3rd Sunday in August (16/8) at 9.45.

We gather from 9.45am, with the silent prayer taking place from 10.00-10.30am, in the Garry Weston Library. Please see Lizzie James or Linda Ridgers-Waite for further information.

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL PODCAST

EPISODE 21 | MARK VERNON ON WILLIAM BLAKE AND THE POWER OF THE IMAGINATION

The Dean is joined by writer, psychotherapist and former Anglican priest Mark Vernon to discuss his book *Awake: William Blake and the Power of the Imagination*. Together, they explore Blake's enduring appeal, his mystical Christian vision, and why reason and moralism alone are not enough without inner transformation. Their conversation examines the life and work of the poet and artist William Blake (1757–1827), his dissenting critique of the Church of England, and the prophetic power of his writing.

[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

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

Members of the Mothers' Union are very grateful for the overwhelming generosity of the congregation, in response to the appeal for a new banner. The amount raised to date is £4099 and we have raised the deposit, thus ensuring that the banner can be ordered once the design is approved. The balance of £1714 is now in our sights and it does seem achievable. As well as thanking the congregation we would like to thank Canon Michael for his hard work and support, Eric Collins, Neil Tryner and Ted Halshaw, the Cathedral CFO. We consider ourselves blessed to be surrounded by generous and supportive people. Thank you everyone and we hope to see you at our next fundraising event, which is the cake sale on 6 September after the 11.00am Eucharist.

Donations can still be made using this QR code:



MOTHERS' UNION 150TH ANNIVERSARY DISPLAY

Please do take time to enjoy the Mothers' Union 150th Anniversary display in the Retrochoir.

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 in July for Bishop Christopher's farewell and again for the 11.00am Choral Eucharist the following day.

On Sunday 2 August we had 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.

ORGAN RECITALS

MONDAYS, 1.20PM, FREE ENTRY

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| 7 September | Norman Harper (formerly St George's RC Cathedral, Southwark) |
| 14 September | Ben Sheen (Jesus College, Cambridge) |
| 21 September | Michael Heighway (Westminster School) |
| 28 September | Simon Hogan (Organist, Southwark Cathedral) |

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!



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 Ferjenčíková (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



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, Maggie 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.

◆ 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, Tom D, 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

Sue Blenkinsop, Margaret Martin, Stephen Williams, Simon Ree, Susan Andrew, Rex Satchwell

YEAR'S MIND

David Randall, Michael Pickles

CLERGY AWAY

The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark (Tewkesbury Abbey)
Canon Jeremy Clark-King, Treasurer (St Giles, Camberwell)
Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian (Holy Trinity Roehampton (AM) and Rochester Cathedral Mothers' Union 150th Anniversary Service (PM))

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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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