



CATHEDRAL EUCHARIST The Eucharist Unfolded

Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Sunday 21 September 2025 10.00am

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The President of the Eucharist is the Revd Prof. Alison Milbank, *Canon Theologian*. The Deacon and the addresses are given by the Revd Dr Richard Frith, *Canon Precentor*.

The congregation is invited to join in all texts printed in **bold**.

As part of our service today, we are invited to share the Peace in a way that we, and those around us, feel comfortable with.

This service will be live-streamed to the internet, and will be available at www.southwellminster.org/worship-online and on the Minster's YouTube channel for one week. Live-streaming allows those joining from home to participate in the same act of worship as those in the Cathedral.

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The Eucharist Unfolded

Today, as part of our *Exploring Worship* season, our Cathedral Eucharist is a 'Teaching Eucharist'. There will be no sermon, but instead a series of short addresses at different points in the service, exploring the drama of the Eucharist as we celebrate it together.

Further events in this series during the coming weeks are as follows:

- **Sunday 28 September** at 4.45pm in the State Chamber: 'Creative Connections: public and personal prayer' with Canon Angela Ashwin.
- **Sunday 19 October,** following the Cathedral Eucharist, in the State Chamber: 'Living Generously' with the Interim Dean.
- **Sunday 26 October** at 4.45pm in the State Chamber: 'Heart and Soul: prayer drawing us in' with the Acting Canon Pastor.
- **Sunday 23 November** at 4.45pm in the State Chamber: 'The Eucharist: being the body, sharing the body' with the Canon Precentor.

Minster Kids

During the first hymn, children (up to age 11) in the congregation are warmly invited to leave the main service for separate children's activities — please look out for our children's leaders and follow them at this point of the service. They will return in time for the Offertory Hymn. (If this is the first time your child has gone out to the group please could an adult initially accompany them so as to complete a registration form. Children under 5 will be welcome if accompanied throughout the session by an adult.) We also have a Children's Chapel next to the font, and young children and their carers are encouraged to explore it.

Music at this service

The Cathedral Choir is directed by Paul Provost, Rector Chori.

The organ is played by Jonathan Allsopp, Assistant Director of Music.

The setting for the Eucharist is the *Missa brevis Capella Regalis* by Anthony Caesar (1924-2018).

Organ Music before the service

Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr, BWV 662

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

ORDER OF SERVICE

The President welcomes the congregation.

THE GATHERING

Please stand at the start of the opening hymn.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN during which the altar party enters, and children leave for their own activities.



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; And still he is nigh: his presence we have; The great congregation his triumph shall sing, Ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

Salvation to God who sits on the throne! Let all cry aloud, and honour the Son. The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, 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.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-88)

Tune: PADERBORN NEH 476

Paderborn Gesangbuch 1765

President

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

GREETING

The Lord be with you and also with you.

The President introduces the Eucharist.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Deacon

We run the race set before us, surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses. Therefore let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which clings so closely, bringing them to Jesus in penitence and faith.

Silence is kept.

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.

ABSOLUTION

President

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.

Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Choir

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 peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT

President Let us pray.

Amen.

Silence is kept.

O Almighty God, whose blessed Son called Matthew the tax collector to be an apostle and evangelist: give us grace to forsake the selfish pursuit of gain and the possessive love of riches that we may follow in the way of your Son Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

THE EUCHARIST UNFOLDED (PART ONE)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING read by Joan Broughton

2 Corinthians 4: 1–6

A reading from second letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practise cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God. And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please remain seated

PSALMODY Psalm 119: 65–72



Choir Blessed are you, O Lord, teach me your statutes.All Blessed are you, O Lord, teach me your statutes.

You have dealt graciously with your servant, according to your word, O Lord.

O teach me true understanding and knowledge, for I have trusted in your commandments.

Before I was afflicted I went astray, but now I keep your word.

You are gracious and do good;

O Lord, teach me your statutes.

All Blessed are you, O Lord, teach me your statutes.

The proud have smeared me with lies,
but I will keep your commandments with my whole heart.
Their heart has become gross with fat,
but my delight is in your law.
It is good for me that I have been afflicted,
that I may learn your statutes.
The law of your mouth is dearer to me
than a hoard of gold and silver.

All Blessed are you, O Lord, teach me your statutes.

Please stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Choir I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you

everything I have learnt from my Father.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Music: Mode vi and Katherine Dienes-Williams (b. 1970)

Please turn to face the Gospel reader

GOSPEL READING Matthew 9: 9–13

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



Glo-ry to you, O Lord.

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him.

And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to you, O Christ.

Please turn back to face the altar, and sit when invited.

THE EUCHARIST UNFOLDED (PART TWO)

Please stand as the President stands to introduce the Nicene Creed.

NICENE CREED

President Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION led by Andrew Johnson

The following response may be used:

God of grace, hear our prayer.

and at the end:

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

Please sit

THE EUCHARIST UNFOLDED (PART THREE)

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Please stand

THE PEACE

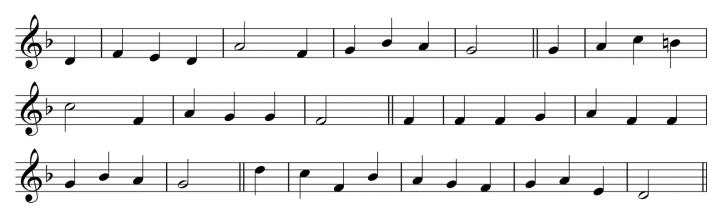
President

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near.

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

The Deacon invites the congregation to share a sign of peace.

OFFERTORY HYMN during which a collection is taken and the table is prepared for Communion



Disposer supreme, and judge of the earth, Who choosest for thine the weak and the poor, To frail earthen vessels, and things of no worth, Entrusting thy riches which ay shall endure;

Throughout the wide world their message is heard, And swift as the wind it circles the earth; It echoes the voice of the heavenly Word, And brings unto mortals the hope of new birth.

Their cry thunders forth, 'Christ Jesus is Lord',
Then Satan doth fear, his citadels fall:
As when those shrill trumpets were raised at thy word,
And one long blast shattered proud Jericho's wall.

O loud be the call, and stirring the sound, To rouse us, O Lord, from sin's deadly sleep; May lights which thou kindlest in darkness around, The dull soul awaken, her vigil to keep.

All honour and praise, dominion and might, To thee, Three in One, eternally be, Who pouring around us thy glorious light, Dost call us from darkness thy glory to see.

Words: Latin, J.B. de Santeuil (1630-1697) trans. Isaac Williams (1802-1865) and Editors of NEH

Tune: OLD 104TH NEH 216 Melody by Thomas Ravenscroft (c. 1590-1633) Harmonised by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Please sit

THE EUCHARIST UNFOLDED (PART FOUR)

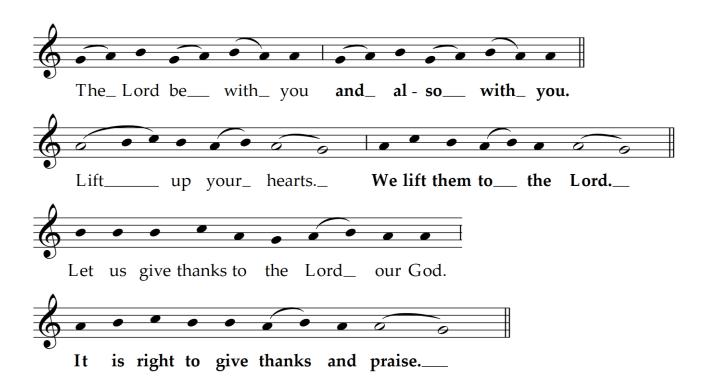
Please stand

PRAYER AT THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

President Let us pray.

Father, accept all we bring before you this day.
Guide us with your love and feed us at your table as you nourish the faith of the Church by the preaching of your apostles.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



It is indeed right and good that we should give you thanks, praise and glory, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

For after his resurrection he sent out his apostles and evangelists to preach the gospel to all nations and lead us in the way of truth. Himself the chief cornerstone, he founded his Church upon the apostles firmly to stand for ever as a sign of your holiness upon earth and a living witness to all of the way that leads to heaven. And so with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we lift our voices and join in their unending hymn of praise:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS sung by the choir

Sanctus, sanctus Holy, holy, holy Lord,
Dominus Deus Sabaoth, God of power and might,

pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in excelsis. Hosanna in the highest.

Benedictus qui venit Blessed is he who comes in nomine Domini. in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in excelsis. Hosanna in the highest.

President

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

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Deacon Great is the mystery of faith:

All



Christ has died: Christ is ri - sen: Christ will come___

President

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Matthew, and all the saints,

may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All



THE LORD'S PRAYER

President As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

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.

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

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

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

AGNUS DEI sung by the choir whilst the altar party receives communion

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: Lamb of God, you take away the sin

miserere nobis. *of the world; have mercy on us.*

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dona nobis pacem. *of the world; grant us peace.*

All baptised, communicant members of Christian churches are invited to receive Communion.

Holy Communion will be offered in both kinds (bread and wine) both at the communion rail and at the font. If you prefer to receive in one kind please feel free to leave after receiving the bread. The Church teaches that Holy Communion is received fully in either the consecrated wafer or the wine. Please do not intinct (dip your wafer in the wine) as this carries an increased risk of transmitting infection. The administrant will not offer you the chalice to intinct, but only to drink from. Thank you.

Please follow the instructions of Churchwardens to approach to receive Communion.

Gluten-free wafers are available from the President. If you would prefer to receive a blessing (without physical contact), please bring this order of service with you as an indication. If you are unable to move to the altar, please inform a Churchwarden and a minister will come to you.

COMMUNION MOTET sung by the choir

Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face; Here faith can touch and handle things unseen; Here grasp with firmer hand thy grace, And all my weariness upon thee lean.

Here would I feed upon the bread of God; Here drink with thee the royal wine of heaven; Here would I lay aside each earthly load; Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiven.

Words: Horatius Bonar (1808-89)

Music: Percy Whitlock (1903-46)

COMMUNION HYMN. Please remain seated.





- 1. For all thy saints, O Lord, Who strove in thee to live, Who followed thee, obeyed, adored, Our grateful hymn receive.
- 2. For all thy saints, O Lord,
 Who strove in thee to die,
 Who counted thee their great reward,
 Accept our thankful cry.
- 3. O Lord, thy name we bless, And humbly pray that we May follow them in holiness Who lived and died in thee.
- 4. Thine earthly members fit To join thy saints above, In one communion ever knit, One fellowship of love.

5. All praise to thee, O Lord, The Father and the Son And Holy Spirit, God adored While endless ages run. Amen.

Words: Richard Mant (1776-1848)

Tune: MOUNT EPHRAIM NEH 224
Benjamin Milgrove (1713-1810)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

President Let us pray.

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.
Amen.

Notices are given.

THE EUCHARIST UNFOLDED (PART FIVE)

THE DISMISSAL

Please stand

THE BLESSING

President

God, who has prepared for you a city with eternal foundations, bring you, with all the saints, to the eternal and triumphant joy of that city; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Deacon

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

FINAL HYMN during which the altar party leaves in procession.



Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days! A world without saints forgets how to praise. Their faith in acquiring the habit of prayer, Their depth of adoring, Lord, help us to share.

Some march with events to turn them God's way; Some need to withdraw, the better to pray; Some carry the gospel through fire and through flood: Our world is their parish: their purpose is God.

Rejoice in those saints, unpraised and unknown, Who bear someone's cross, or shoulder their own: They shame our complaining, our comforts, our cares: What patience in caring, what courage is theirs!

Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days! A world without saints forgets how to praise. In loving, in living, they prove it is true: The way of self-giving, Lord, leads us to you.

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Tune: HANOVER NEH 433 Melody and bass by William Croft (1678-1727) in A Supplement to the New Version 1708

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Prelude and Fugue in G, BWV 550

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Following the service, all are warmly invited to refreshments in the South Transept.

Please note that Mini Pew News (the abridged version of the Weekly notice sheet), is available as a separate document given out at Minster services each Sunday. The full version of Pew News can be found online at https://www.southwellminster.org/worship/pew-news/. Alternatively, we can e-mail you a link to the latest edition of Pew News as it is published each Friday (please complete the web form at https://www.southwellminster.org/newsletter/ to sign up to receive this regular e-mail).

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