

# CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL

**SUNDAY 17 AUGUST**  
**NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

## **11.15am Sung Eucharist**

**Celebrant:** The Dean, The Very Revd Dr Edward Dowler

**Preacher:** The Revd Canon Vanessa Baron, Treasurer

## **ENTRANCE HYMN**

Light's abode, celestial Salem,  
vision dear whence peace doth spring,  
brighter than the heart can fancy,  
mansion of the highest King;  
O, how glorious are the praises  
which of thee the prophets sing!

There for ever and for ever  
Alleluia is outpoured;  
for unending, for unbroken  
is the feast-day of the Lord;  
all is pure and all is holy,  
that within thy walls is stored.

There no cloud nor passing vapour  
dims the brightness of the air;  
endless noon-day, glorious noon-day,  
from the Sun of suns is there;  
there no night brings rest from labour,  
there unknown are toil and care.

O how glorious and resplendent,  
fragile body, shalt thou be,  
when endued with so much beauty,  
full of health, and strong, and free,  
full of vigour, full of pleasure  
that shall last eternally!

Now with gladness, now with courage,  
bear the burden on thee laid,  
that hereafter these thy labours  
may with endless gifts be paid,  
and in everlasting glory  
thou with joy may'st be arrayed.

Laud and honour to the Father,  
laud and honour to the Son,  
laud and honour to the Spirit,  
ever Three and ever One,  
One in love, and One in splendour,  
while unending ages run. Amen.

Words: *15th century Latin, tr. J. M. Neale (1818-1866);*  
Music: REGENT SQUARE, *Henry Smart (1818-1879)*

## **COLLECT**

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. **Amen.**

## **FIRST READING** Jeremiah 23: 23-29

Am I a God near by, says the Lord, and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the Lord. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the Lord. Is not my word like fire, says the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

## **PSALM 82**

God standeth in the congregation of princes : he is a Judge among gods. How long will ye give wrong judgement : and accept the persons of the ungodly? Defend the poor and fatherless : see that such as are in need and necessity have right. Deliver the outcast and poor : save them from the hand of the ungodly. They will not be learned nor understand, but walk on still in darkness : all the foundations of the earth are out of course. I have said, Ye are gods : and ye are all the children of the most Highest. But ye shall die like men : and fall like one of the princes. Arise, O God, and judge thou the earth : for thou shalt take all heathen to thine inheritance.

## **SECOND READING** Hebrews 11: 29-12: 2

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets— who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became

mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, without us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son.

### GOSPEL READING Luke 12: 49-56

Jesus said to his disciples, 'I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided:

father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

He also said to the crowds, 'When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, "It is going to rain"; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, "There will be scorching heat"; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

### OFFERTORY HYMN

Let all mortal flesh keep silence  
and with fear and trembling stand;  
ponder nothing earthly-minded,  
for with blessing in his hand  
Christ our God to earth descendeth,  
our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,  
as of old on earth he stood,  
Lord of lords, in human vesture,  
in the body and the blood:  
he will give to all the faithful  
his own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven  
spreads its vanguard on the way,  
as the Light of light descendeth  
from the realms of endless day,  
that the powers of hell may vanish  
as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph;  
cherubim with sleepless eye  
veil their faces to the Presence,  
as with ceaseless voice they cry,  
Alleluia, Alleluia,  
Alleluia, Lord most high!

Words: *Liturgy of St James*  
tr. Gerard Moultrie (1829-1885)

Music: PICARDY, *French carol melody in Chansons*  
*Populaires Vol. 4 (Paris 1860)*

### COMMUNION HYMN—*please remain seated*

O for a closer walk with God,  
a calm and heavenly frame;  
a light to shine upon the road  
that leads me to the Lamb!

Return, O holy Dove, return,  
sweet messenger of rest;  
I hate the sins that made thee mourn,  
and drove thee from my breast.

The dearest idol I have known,  
whate'er that idol be,  
help me to tear it from thy throne,  
and worship only thee.

So shall my walk be close with God,  
calm and serene my frame;  
so purer light shall mark the road  
that leads me to the Lamb.

Words: William Cowper (1731-1800)  
Music: CAITHNESS, *Melody from the Scottish Psalter*  
(1635)

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.  
**Amen.**

## FINAL HYMN

O praise ye the Lord!  
praise him in the height;  
rejoice in his word,  
ye angels of light;  
ye heavens adore him  
by whom ye were made,  
and worship before him  
in brightness arrayed.

O praise ye the Lord!  
praise him upon earth,  
in tuneful accord,  
ye sons of new birth;  
praise him who has brought you  
his grace from above,  
praise him who has taught you  
to sing of his love.

O praise ye the Lord!  
all things that give sound;  
each jubilant chord,  
re-echo around;  
loud organs, his glory  
forth tell in deep tone,  
and sweet harp, the story  
of what he has done.

O praise ye the Lord!  
thanksgiving and song  
to him be outpoured  
all ages along:  
for love in creation,  
for heaven restored,  
for grace of salvation,  
O praise ye the Lord! Amen, Amen.

Words: *H. W. Baker (1821-1877)*

Music: LAUDATE DOMINUM, *from the anthem Hear my words, C. Hubert H. Parry (1848-1918)*

## TODAY'S MUSIC

Sung by **All the King's Men, Manitoba, Canada**

**Mass setting:** Mass for Four Voices  
*William Byrd (1540-1623)*

**Motet:** Adoro te devoto  
*Richard Lloyd (1933-2021)*

**Closing Music:** A Voluntarie for My Lady Nevell  
*William Byrd*

## SERVICES THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

### Monday-Saturday

7.45am **Morning Prayer**

8.00am **Holy Communion**

5.30pm **Choral Evensong**

### Sunday 24 August

8.00am **Holy Communion** (BCP)

9.15am **Eucharist** for children, families and caregivers

10.15am **Choral Mattins**

11.15am **Choral Eucharist**

3.00pm **Choral Evensong**

We are delighted to have **All the King's Men** (Director: Charles Horton; Organist: Lottie Ens Braun) with us to sing our services this weekend, from Winnipeg, Manitoba.

This coming week we welcome **Jubilate Chamber Choir** (Director: Mary Jodice; Organist: D'Arcy Trinkwon) from Boston, Massachusetts, who will sing our services each day except Wednesday.

On Wednesday we welcome the choir of **St James', Piccadilly** to sing Choral Evensong.

There is an additional celebration of **Holy Communion** according to the Book of Common Prayer on Thursdays at 10.30am.

**Please note during the week 25-29 August** Evening Prayer (said) will be at the earlier time of 4.30pm. The normal pattern resumes from Saturday 30 August.

### ***If you are able to make a donation to the Cathedral...***

The Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) is a secure and simple way of giving to the Cathedral by Direct Debit on a regular monthly, quarterly or annual basis. If eligible, you can opt to add Gift Aid and PGS claims this on our behalf, passing it directly back to the Cathedral.

- Online: Visit [www.parishgiving.org.uk](http://www.parishgiving.org.uk) and search for 'Chichester Cathedral'
- By phone: 0333 002 1271, Monday to Friday, 9.00 to 5.00
- By post: Using the PGS application form. A copy is available to collect from the Visitors' Desk or the Vergers' Office.

## NOTICES

**In Conversation with Sir Alexander McCall Smith** Sir Alexander is a much-loved and prolific author whose work has brought joy and reflection to readers across the world. In what promises to be an engaging and thoughtful conversation, the Dean and Sir Alexander will explore his writing, inspirations, and the role of storytelling in a changing world. There will also be an opportunity for questions from the audience. Saturday 25 October, 1.00pm; tickets are £15 each (concessions available for students) via the website.

## The Dean's Lectures 2025

### **Sacred Art at Chichester Cathedral:**

#### **Reflections on the Past, Present and Future**

This series launches on 23 September. As part of the celebrations of our 950th anniversary, these lectures will reflect on aspects of the artistic and cultural heritage of Chichester Cathedral, the ways in which these speak to us amid the challenges and opportunities of our current time, and their relevance for future generations.

- Tuesday 23 September: **What will survive of us is Love: Reflections on Philip Larkin's An Arundel Tomb**, Dr Kieron Winn
- Tuesday 30 September: **The Legacy of Dean Walter Hussey in the Cathedral and the City**, Simon Martin
- Tuesday 7 October: **Nicaea 1700 meets Chichester 950: How the Cathedral Illustrates the Creed**, The Dean
- Tuesday 21 October: **The Hidden Treasures of Chichester Cathedral**, Canon Vanessa Baron

All in Vicars' Hall, 6.30-8.30pm. Full details and tickets (at £10 each, to include a glass of wine or soft drink) are available through the website.

**The Annual Convention of The Dorothy L Sayers Society** has taken place in Chichester this week. Following today's Eucharist participants will give a short talk about the author in George Bell House. All are welcome, no booking is required.

**Chichester950 Light Experience** Tickets are now on sale for our spectacular light show, taking place 24-31 October. The experience will illuminate the Cathedral's iconic interior, featuring thousands of images from our archive, weaving together centuries of history into a stunning display that will bring our 950th anniversary programme to a close. Tickets can be booked via Ticketsource—[www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/lightshow](http://www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/lightshow) or 0333 666 3366

### **Alteration to Sunday Service Times**

From Sunday 7 September the times of our Sunday services will move to on the hour:

- 8am Holy Communion
- 9am Eucharist for Children, Families & Caregivers
- 10am Choral Mattins
- 11am Choral Eucharist
- 3pm Choral Evensong

**The Friends** have organised a **Quiz Night & Fish 'n' Chips Supper** at Fishbourne Centre on Friday 12 September (note the change of date); and a **four-day visit to Paris** (3-6 October) including a tour of the recently reopened Notre Dame Cathedral. Full details and booking information for both are on the website.

**In brief** – please see the website for full details:

- The lunchtime concert series resumes on Tuesday 9 September at 1.10pm with pianist Margaret Fingerhut.
- The Fellowship talks series resumes on Monday 22 September at 2.15pm, 'Christian motifs and themes in the works of Vincent Van Gogh'

### **Match Funding Milestone: £4.4 million raised and counting!**

An update from the Chichester Cathedral Restoration and Development Trust

We're thrilled to announce that as of 1 July, an incredible £4.4 million has been raised towards our initial £5 million target for the Chichester Cathedral Platinum Endowment Trust for Music! Alongside this fantastic progress, we've secured five-year sponsorships for four choristers, a three-year sponsorship for our organ scholar, and vital funding to support the vocal health of our adult choir, the Lay Vicars.

This is a remarkable achievement and a huge thank you goes to everyone who has given so generously so far. But the journey isn't over yet!

Reaching our £5 million goal by March next year will secure the long-term future of music at Chichester Cathedral - supporting Chorister scholarships, the choir, organ scholarships and free lunchtime concerts. Your support will help keep this treasured tradition alive for generations to come.

With match funding still available, there's never been a better time to give. Join us in making your gift go twice as far today!

Find out more or donate at:

[www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/support-music](http://www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/support-music)

### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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