

CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY 3 AUGUST
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

11.15am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant: The Revd Canon Vanessa Baron, Treasurer

Preacher: The Revd Canon Nigel Ashworth, Priest Vicar

ENTRANCE HYMN

All my hope on God is founded;
he doth still my trust renew.
Me through change and chance he guideth,
only good and only true.
God unknown, he alone
calls my heart to be his own.

Pride of man and earthly glory,
sword and crown betray his trust;
what with care and toil he buildeth,
tower and temple, fall to dust;
but God's power, hour by hour,
is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness aye endureth,
deep his wisdom, passing thought:
splendour, light and life attend him,
beauty springeth out of naught.
Evermore from his store
new-born worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth th'Almighty giver
bounteous gifts on us bestow;
his desire our soul delighteth,
pleasure leads us where we go.
Love doth stand at his hand;
joy doth wait on his command.

Still from man to God eternal
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of Christ his Son.
Christ doth call one and all:
ye who follow shall not fall.

*Words: Robert Bridges (1844-1930),
based on Joachim Neander (1650-1680)
Music: MICHAEL, Herbert Howells (1892-1983)*

COLLECT

Lord of all power and might,
the author and giver of all good things:
graft in our hearts the love of your name,
increase in us true religion,

nourish us with all goodness,
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;
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 Ecclesiastes 1: 2, 12-14; 2: 18-23

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities!
All is vanity. I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in
Jerusalem, applied my mind to seek and to search out by
wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy
business that God has given to human beings to be busy
with. I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and
see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.
I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun,
seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me —
and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet
they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my
wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So I turned and
gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my
labours under the sun, because sometimes one who has
toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all
to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is
vanity and a great evil. What do mortals get from all the
toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? For all
their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even
at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

PSALM 49: 1-9

O hear ye this, all ye people : ponder it with your ears, all
ye that dwell in the world;
High and low, rich and poor : one with another.
My mouth shall speak of wisdom : and my heart shall muse
of understanding.
I will incline mine ear to the parable : and shew my dark
speech upon the harp.
Wherefore should I fear in the days of wickedness : and
when the wickedness of my heels compasseth me round
about?
There be some that put their trust in their goods : and
boast themselves in the multitude of their riches.
But no man may deliver his brother : nor make agreement
unto God for him;
For it cost more to redeem their souls : so that he must let
that alone for ever;
Yea, though he live long : and see not the grave.

SECOND READING Colossians 3: 1-11

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that
are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of
God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on
things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is
hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is
revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.
Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly:

fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth.

GOSPEL READING Luke 12: 13-21

Someone in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.' But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?' And he said to them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.'" But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

OFFERTORY HYMN

Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet, and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing
always, only, for my King;
take my lips, and let them be
filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold;
not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect, and use
every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine:
it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart: it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure-store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

Words: Frances Ridley Havergal (1836-1879)

Music: NOTTINGHAM, Wenzel Müller (1747-1835)

COMMUNION HYMN—please remain seated

Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast,
body of Christ, be thou my saving guest,
blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide,
wash me with water flowing from thy side.

Strength and protection may thy passion be,
O blessed Jesu, hear and answer me;
deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me,
so shall I never, never part from thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign,
in death's dread moments make me only thine;
call me and bid me come to thee on high
where I may praise thee with thy saints for ay.

Words: 14th century Latin

Music: ANIMA CHRISTI, William Maher (1823-1877)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FINAL HYMN

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
be all else but naught to me, save that thou art;
be thou my best thought in the day and the night,
both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,
be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord;
be thou my great Father, and I thy true son;
be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;
be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might;
be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower:
O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise:
be thou mine inheritance now and always;
be thou and thou only the first in my heart,
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun,
O grant me its joys after vict'ry is won;
great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

Words: c. 8th century Irish words,
tr. Mary Byrne (1880-1931),
versified Eleanor Hull (1860-1935)
Music: SLANE, traditional Irish melody
Harmony by Erik Routley (1917-1982)

TODAY'S MUSIC

Sung by the choir of Earley St Peter's Church,

Reading

Mass setting: Communion Service in B flat
Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Motet: Tantum ergo
Gabriel Jackson (b. 1962)

Closing Music: Toccata in B minor
Eugène Gigout (1844-1925)

SERVICES THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

Monday-Saturday

7.45am **Morning Prayer**
8.00am **Holy Communion**
5.30pm **Choral Evensong**
(except Thursday—said Evening Prayer)

Sunday 10 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 welcome the choir of **St Peter's Church, Earley, Reading** to sing our services this week-end; also the **European Cathedral Singers**, Holland, who will be here 4-10 August (not Thursday)

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

Ben Mulcock Today we bid farewell to our Senior Verger Ben. Ben joined the team in 2022 and leaves us to join the Society of St Francis, at their centre in Hilfield, Dorset. We send Ben on his way with our thanks for his reverent service here in Chichester, and our prayers for his continuing journey of faith.

NOTICES

The Dean's Lectures 2025 series, entitled "Sacred Art at Chichester Cathedral: Reflections on the Past, Present and Future" 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, 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, Reverend Dr Edward Dowler
- Tuesday 21 October: The Hidden Treasures of Chichester Cathedral, Reverend 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.

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 or 0333 666 3366

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.

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

Deacon Ish has been a volunteer chaplain at St Richards Hospital for many years and as well as making midweek visits, he also does bedside communions on certain Sundays each month. If you have a friend or member of your

family who have been admitted into the hospital, and they would like Ish to visit them, please can you give their name to the Clergy or Vergers who will pass it on to Ish.

Cathedral Shop We are looking for a willing volunteer to staff the Cathedral Shop on a Sunday between 12.30pm and 2.30pm. Full training given. If you are interested please contact Carolyn Atkinson, Volunteers Co-ordinator:

carolyn.atkinson@chichestercathedral.org.uk

The **George Bell House Bible Fellowship** meets fortnightly on Thursdays in a new series 'The Resurrection and the Life'. We gather in George Bell House at 2.15 for 2.30 pm, concluding at 3.45 pm – in time for tea and cake. All are very warmly welcome. October 9, 23; November 6, all at the same time. To book your place RSVP to Canon Nigel Ashworth, Priest Vicar, on nigel.ashworth@chichestercathedral.org.uk

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 with a presentation on Christian motifs and themes in the works of Vincent Van Gogh

SUBMISSIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tudor Music Concert—The Arundel Choirbook 1525

The Iken Scholars will sing selections from the set known as the 'Lambeth Anonymous', found only in the Arundel Choirbook, in the place where it was produced 500 years ago, together with other Tudor music. Saturday 20 September, 7.00pm at St Nicholas Arundel. Tickets at £20 each from www.stnicholas.uk/news-events.

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 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.

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!

Our campaign launched in February 2024 with an amazing £2.1 million already pledged. To mark the Cathedral's 950th anniversary, we launched a special appeal in February 2025 to raise an additional £950,000 within the year. Thanks to the generosity of four anonymous donors, every donation made during this anniversary year (ending February 2026) is being matched pound for pound. That means a gift of £10 becomes £20, £100 becomes £200 - and UK taxpayers can increase their gift by a further 25% through Gift Aid.

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

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have a **notice relevant to the ministry and mission of the Cathedral** that you would like to submit for this notice sheet, please contact: chris.george@chichestercathedral.org.uk by 5pm on Tuesday.

If you have any **safeguarding concerns** in relation to the Cathedral, please contact safeguarding@chichestercathedral.org.uk or speak to a member of our Safeguarding team [please see the website or our Safeguarding posters for more details].