

CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL

*Southern
Cathedrals* ***festival***

2026 FESTIVAL EUCHARIST

Celebrant

*The Right Reverend William Hazlewood
Acting Bishop of Chichester*

Preacher

*The Very Reverend Dr Nicholas Frayling
Dean Emeritus of Chichester*

**SATURDAY 18TH JULY 2026
10.30AM**

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a place of worship, welcome and community.
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WELCOME

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This service is taking place as part of the 2026 Southern Cathedrals Festival, and is sung by Chichester Cathedral Choir and the combined boy choristers and lay clerks of Salisbury Cathedral and Winchester Cathedral.

The celebrant at this service is the Acting Bishop of Chichester, The Right Reverend William Hazlewood, and the sung Mass Setting is the *Missa Papae Marcelli* by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594).

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BEFORE THE SERVICE

At 10.25am, the Chancellor escorts to their seat:

THE DEPUTY MAYOR OF CHICHESTER
Cllr Sarah Quail

At 10.27am, the Treasurer escorts to their seats:

THE HIGH SHERIFF OF EAST SUSSEX
Mr Michael Bedingfield, and Mr Stephen Osborne

THE HIGH SHERIFF OF WEST SUSSEX
Mr Gary Shipton, and Mrs Christine Shipton

*Immediately before the service, **please stand** as the Dean escorts to their seats:*

HM LORD-LIEUTENANT OF WEST SUSSEX
Lady Emma Barnard, and Mr James Barnard

Please then sit in quiet preparation for the service.

ORDER OF PROCESSION

Verger
Thurifer
Crucifer and Acolytes

Choirs of Chichester, Salisbury and Winchester Cathedrals
Heads of Chichester, Salisbury and Winchester Choir Schools
Directors of Music of Salisbury and Winchester Cathedrals
Organist and Master of the Choristers of Chichester Cathedral

Verger
Chichester Cathedral Priest Vicar
Chichester Cathedral College of Canons

Verger
The Dean Emeritus of Chichester

Verger
The Dean of Salisbury

Verger
Canon Chancellor of Winchester Cathedral
The Dean of Winchester

Verger
Chichester Cathedral Chapter
The Dean of Chichester
Chichester Cathedral Curate
The Acting Bishop of Chichester

ORDER OF SERVICE

THE GATHERING

Please stand as the procession enters.

PROCESSIONAL 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!



NEH 427
H. W. Baker (1821-1877)

Laudate Dominum
from the anthem *Hear my words*
C. Hubert H. Parry (1848-1918)

THE GREETING

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

All **Amen.**

Peace be with you.

All **And also with you.**

The Bishop welcomes the congregation.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

All **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

The Bishop invites the congregation to call to mind and confess their sins:

All **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.**

The Bishop pronounces 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.**

The choirs sing

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

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.

*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.*

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.

*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.*

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus Dominus,
tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu:
in gloria Dei Patris.
Amen.

*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.*

THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
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.**

Please sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

My child, if you accept my words and treasure up my commandments within you, making your ear attentive to wisdom and inclining your heart to understanding; if you indeed cry out for insight, and raise your voice for understanding; if you seek it like silver, and search for it as for hidden treasures – then you will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God. For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding; he stores up sound wisdom for the upright; he is a shield to those who walk blamelessly, guarding the paths of justice and preserving the way of his faithful ones.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Proverbs 2: 1-8

The choirs sing

THE PSALM

O praise God in his holiness:
 praise him in the firmament of his power.
Praise him in his noble acts:
 praise him according to his excellent greatness.
Praise him in the sound of the trumpet:
 praise him upon the lute and harp.
Praise him in the cymbals and dances:
 praise him upon the strings and pipe.
Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals:
 praise him upon the loud cymbals.
Let every thing that hath breath: praise the Lord.

THE SECOND READING

I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, 'Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.' At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! And the one seated there looks like jasper and cornelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God; and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal.

Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing, 'Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty, who was and is and is to come.' And whenever the living creatures give glory and honour and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives for ever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives for ever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing, 'You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honour and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.'

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Revelation 4: 1-11

THE GOSPEL READING

Please stand. The choir leads the Gospel Acclamation:



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.**

When the Gospel is announced, the reader says

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.**

Jesus said: 'Not everyone who says to me, "Lord, Lord," will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven. On that day many will say to me, "Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many deeds of power in your name?" Then I will declare to them, "I never knew you; go away from me, you evildoers."

'Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock. And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a

foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell – and great was its fall!’ Now when Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were astounded at his teaching.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Matthew 7: 21-28

Please remain standing as the Gospel procession returns, until invited to sit.

THE SERMON

*The Very Reverend Dr Nicholas Frayling
Dean Emeritus of Chichester*

THE NICENE 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Please sit or stand. These responses are used:

	Lord, in your mercy	or	Lord, hear us.
<i>All</i>	hear our prayer.		Lord, graciously hear us.

And at the end:

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

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

THE PEACE

Please stand.

Jesus says: 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
If you love me, rejoice because I am going to the Father'.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

THE OFFERTORY HYMN

during which bread and wine are brought to the altar, and a cash collection is taken

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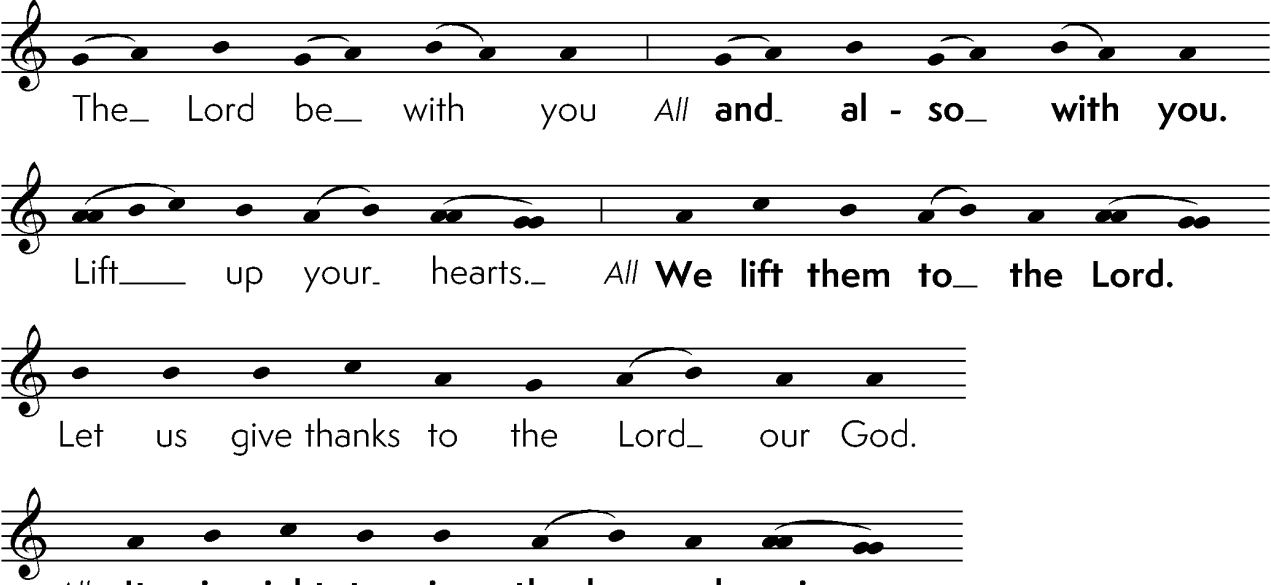
O God beyond all praising,
we worship you today
and sing the love amazing
that songs cannot repay;
for we can only wonder
at every gift you send,
at blessings without number
and mercies without end:
we lift our hearts before you
and wait upon your word,
we honour and adore you,
our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Saviour,
accept the love we bring,
that we who know your favour
may serve you as our king;
and whether our tomorrows
be filled with good or ill,
we'll triumph through our sorrows
and rise to bless you still:
to marvel at your beauty
and glory in your ways,
and make a joyful duty
our sacrifice of praise.

Sing Praise 299
Michael Perry (1942-1996)

Thaxted
Gustav Holst (1874-1934)

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



The_ Lord be_ with you All and_ al - so_ 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.

Father, you made the world and love your creation.
You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour.
His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death.
And so we gladly thank you,
with saints and angels praising you, and singing:

The choirs sing

SANCTUS

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus
Dominus Deus Sabaoth,
pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.

*Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.*

The Eucharistic Prayer continues:

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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

All

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
for ever and ever.



A - men.

Please remain standing.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All **Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Bishop breaks the consecrated 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.**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed 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.**

The Bishop and people receive communion. Please sit until directed by the Stewards.

Members of all Christian churches are welcome to receive communion. Please indicate if you wish to receive a gluten-free wafer. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please come to the communion station and bow your head.

*After you have received communion, **please try to maintain a prayerful silence.***

During communion, the choir sings

AGNUS DEI

Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi:
miserere nobis.
*Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi:
miserere nobis.
*Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi:
dona nobis pacem.
*Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.*

ORGAN MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

SCHMÜCKE DICH, O LIEBE SEELE BWV 654 *J.S. Bach (1685-1750)*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Please stand.

God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

All **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.**

THE SENDING OUT

HYMN



When, in our music, God is glorified,
and adoration leaves no room for pride,
it is as though the whole creation cried:
Alleluia!

How often, making music, we have found
a new dimension in the world of sound,
as worship moved us to a more profound
Alleluia!

So has the church, in liturgy and song,
in faith and love, through centuries of wrong,
borne witness to the truth in every tongue,
Alleluia!

And did not Jesus sing a psalm that night
when utmost evil strove against the Light?
Then let us sing, for whom he won the fight:
Alleluia!

**Let every instrument be tuned for praise!
Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!
And may God give us faith to sing always:
*Alleluia!***

*Common Praise 618
F. Pratt Green (1930-2000)*

*Engelberg
Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)*

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**

Our help is in the name of the Lord
All **who has made heaven and earth.**

Blessed be the name of the Lord
All **now and for ever. Amen.**

The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
All **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.
All **Thanks be to God.**

CLOSING MUSIC

PRELUDE AND FUGUE IN C MAJOR BWV 547

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Please remain standing as the procession departs.

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