

# CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL

## SUNG EUCHARIST

SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT  
SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY  
SUNDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2023  
11.15AM

# WELCOME

Today we join thousands of other churches across the UK to highlight the importance of protecting vulnerable people as part of **Safeguarding Sunday**, an awareness-raising national campaign organised by Christian safeguarding charity **Thirtyone:eight**.

If you, or someone you know, has been impacted by abuse or has concerns, speak to the person responsible for Safeguarding at your organisation. Alternatively you can call the Thirtyone:eight Safeguarding Helpline on **0303 003 11 11** to get caring, practical, expert advice and support. To find out more about Safeguarding Sunday go to: **[thirtyoneeight.org/SafeguardingSunday](http://thirtyoneeight.org/SafeguardingSunday)**

We have been worshipping the God of Jesus Christ in this cathedral church for over 900 years. We are delighted that you are joining our community in worship today. If you would like to learn more about our life here or would like to become more closely associated with this community, we encourage you to join us for coffee after this service and make yourself known to a member of the clergy.

For detailed information about the mission, ministry, work, and witness of the Cathedral, the mother church of the Diocese of Chichester, visit our website: **[www.chichestercathedral.org.uk](http://www.chichestercathedral.org.uk)**

This booklet contains all you will need to follow the service. Please ask a Steward if you would like a large-print copy of this booklet.

The celebrant at this service is The Reverend Canon Dr Daniel Inman, Precentor, and the sung Mass Setting is by Philip Moore (b. 1943).

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An induction loop is provided for the benefit of hearing aid users. To use this, please switch your hearing aid to 'T'.

A cash collection will be taken during the hymn which follows The Peace. If you are a UK taxpayer, it would help enormously if you would place your donation in a Gift Aid envelope (available from the Stewards) before putting it in the collection, which will enable us to reclaim an additional 25% of your donation from HMRC. Alternatively, you can make a donation by scanning the QR code at the end of this booklet with a mobile phone or tablet, by donating online at **thyg.uk/AQU35146**, or by using one of the cashless donation points around the Cathedral.

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In the event of an emergency please follow the direction of the Vergers and Stewards.

*Blessed Spirit of God, pour upon us such gifts of faith, purity and love,  
that we may have thy temple within us, and thee in that temple  
and life everlasting in thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

*Amen.*

# ORDER OF SERVICE

## THE GATHERING

*Please stand as the procession enters.*

## PROCESSIONAL 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.

*NEH 333*

*Robert Bridges (1844-1930)*

*based on Joachim Neander (1650-1680)*

*Michael*

*Herbert Howells (1892-1983)*

## THE GREETING

*The president says*

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

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

## 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

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God,  
though we have rebelled against him.

We come into God's presence aware of past failures and seeking  
his forgiveness. We pray for all who have been abused and for  
the healing of minds and memories. In silence, we bring before  
God our community in penitence and faith.

**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 president 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.  
**Amen.**

*The choir sings*

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

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.



## THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father,  
whose blessed Son was revealed  
to destroy the works of the devil  
and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life:  
grant that we, having this hope,  
may purify ourselves even as he is pure;  
that when he shall appear in power and great glory  
we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;  
where he is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

*Please sit.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## THE FIRST READING

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion – to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, to display his glory.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Isaiah 61: 1-3*

*The congregation remains seated to sing*

## HYMN



**Be thou my guardian and my guide,  
and hear me when I call;  
let not my slippery footsteps slide,  
and hold me lest I fall.**

**The world, the flesh, and Satan dwell  
around the path I tread;  
O, save me from the snares of hell,  
thou quickener of the dead.**

**And if I tempted am to sin,  
and outward things are strong,  
do thou, O Lord, keep watch within,  
and save my soul from wrong.**

**Still let me ever watch and pray,  
and feel that I am frail;  
that if the tempter cross my way,  
yet he may not prevail.**

*NEH 64  
Isaac Williams (1802-1865)*

*Abridge  
Isaac Smith (1734-1805)*

## THE SECOND READING

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.'

And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.'

This is the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Revelation 21: 1-5*

## THE GOSPEL READING

*Please stand. The choir leads the Gospel Acclamation:*



Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heaven.  
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*When the Gospel is announced, the reader says*

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

At that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, 'Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?' He called a child, whom he put among them, and said, 'Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me.

'If any of you put a stumbling-block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were fastened around your neck and you were drowned in the depth of the sea. Woe to the world because of stumbling-blocks! Occasions for stumbling are bound to come, but woe to the one by whom the stumbling-block comes!

'If your hand or your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to enter life maimed or lame than to have two hands or two feet and to be thrown into the eternal fire. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to enter life with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into the hell of fire.

'Take care that you do not despise one of these little ones; for, I tell you, in heaven their angels continually see the face of my Father in heaven.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Matthew 18: 1-11*

*Please remain standing as the Gospel procession returns.*

## SERMON

*Colin Perkins*

*Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser*

## THE NICENE CREED

*Please stand.*

**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.  
**hear our prayer.**                      **Lord, graciously hear us.**

*And at the end:*

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.*

May the God of peace sanctify you:  
may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness  
that you may be blameless before him  
at the coming of our Lord Jesus with his saints.

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

*All may exchange a sign of peace.*

## HYMN

*During this hymn a collection is taken*



**Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour,  
first-begotten from the dead,  
thou alone, our strong defender,  
liftest up thy people's head.  
Alleluia, Alleluia,  
Jesu, true and living Bread!**



Here our humblest homage pay we;  
here in loving reverence bow;  
here for Faith's discernment pray we,  
lest we fail to know thee now.

Alleluia, Alleluia,  
thou art here, we ask not how.

Though the lowliest form doth veil thee  
as of old in Bethlehem,  
here as there thine angels hail thee,  
Branch and Flower of Jesse's stem.

Alleluia, Alleluia,  
we in worship join with them.

Paschal Lamb, thine Offering, finished  
once for all when thou wast slain,  
in its fullness undiminished  
shall for evermore remain,

Alleluia, Alleluia,  
cleansing souls from every stain.

Life-imparting heavenly Manna,  
stricken Rock with streaming side,  
heaven and earth with loud hosanna  
worship thee, the Lamb who died,

Alleluia, Alleluia,  
risen, ascended, glorified!

*NEH 296*

*G. H. Bourne (1840-1925)*

*St Helen*

*George Martin (1844-1916)*

## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should always sing of your glory,  
holy Father, almighty and eternal God,  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

For you are the hope of the nations,  
the builder of the city that is to come.

Your love made visible in Jesus Christ  
brings home the lost,  
restores the sinner

and gives dignity to the despised.

In his face your light shines out,  
flooding lives with goodness and truth,  
gathering into one in your kingdom  
a divided and broken humanity.

Therefore with all who can give voice in your creation  
we glorify your name,  
for ever praising you and singing:

*The choir sings*

## SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
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:

**Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

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 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.

**Amen.**

*You are invited either to sit or remain standing.*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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 president breaks the consecrated 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

Behold 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.**

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

*Members of all Christian churches are welcome to receive communion if they wish. 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.*

*During communion, the choir sings*

## AGNUS DEI

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world, give us your peace.

## THE MOTET

Venite, comedite panem meum,  
et bibite vinum quod miscui vobis.

*Come, eat of my bread,  
and drink of the wine which I have mixed for you.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

*Please stand.*

Gracious Lord,  
in this holy sacrament  
you give substance to our hope:  
bring us at the last  
to that fullness of life for which we long;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.  
**Amen.**

**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.  
Amen.**

# THE SENDING OUT

## HYMN



I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
‘Come unto me and rest;  
lay down, thou weary one, lay down  
thy head upon my breast:’  
I came to Jesus as I was,  
weary, and worn, and sad;  
I found in him a resting-place,  
and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
‘Behold, I freely give  
the living water, thirsty one;  
stoop down, and drink, and live:’  
I came to Jesus, and I drank  
of that life-giving stream;  
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,  
and now I live in him.



I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
‘I am this dark world’s Light;  
look unto me, thy morn shall rise,  
and all thy day be bright:’  
I looked to Jesus, and I found  
in him my Star, my Sun;  
and in that light of life I’ll walk  
till travelling days are done.

*NEH 376*  
*Horatius Bonar (1808-1889)*

*Kingsfold*  
*English folk song, adapted by*  
*Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)*

## THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

*The president says*

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

The God of love,  
passionate and strong, faithful and tender,  
watch over you and keep you safe all the days of your life;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

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

*To conclude the service, the organist plays*

PRELUDE IN E-FLAT BWV 552*i*

*Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)*

*Please remain standing as the procession departs, and then sit for a period of quiet contemplation as the organ voluntary is played.*

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