

Choral Eucharist

Sunday 3 January 2021 1000

THE EPIPHANY

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Welcome to the Cathedral

The Cathedral Church of St. Peter in Exeter, founded in 1050, has been the seat (cathedra) of the bishop of Exeter, the symbol of his spiritual and teaching authority, for nearly 1000 years. As such the Cathedral is a centre of worship and mission for the whole of Devon. A centuries-old pattern of daily worship continues, sustained by the best of the Anglican choral tradition. The cathedral is a place of outreach, learning, and spirituality, inviting people into a richer and more engaged discipleship. The Cathedral is a destination for many pilgrims and visitors who come from near and far, drawn by the physical and spiritual heritage of this place. Exeter Cathedral belongs to all the people of Devon, and we warmly welcome you here.

Ministers

President: The Revd Canon Morwenna Ludlow - Canon Theologian
Preacher: The Revd Canon Cate Edmonds - Canon Steward

COVID-19: Infection Control

Face Coverings in the cathedral

As of 8 August 2020, wearing face coverings in places of worship is now mandatory. All congregants, visitors, volunteers, and staff must wear face coverings when in the cathedral. There are exemptions to this regulation, including anyone under the age of 11, those leading worship and preaching, those with disabilities and those with hidden health conditions. Full details can be found here:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/face-coverings-when-to-wear-one-and-how-to-make-your-own/face-coverings-when-to-wear-one-and-how-to-make-your-own#when-you-do-not-need-to-wear-a-face-covering

Speech and Singing

We ask that you do not sing. The cantor will lead singing on behalf of the congregation. When speaking responses or prayers, please do not raise your voice.

Organist: Timothy Noon - Director of Music

Cantor: Elizabeth Noon

Social distancing

Measures are in place to protect the health and safety of worshippers, volunteers and staff. Please follow instructions as they are given. Markings on the floor indicate:

• 2 metres (Blue tape)

Holy Communion

Communion will be offered in one kind only (consecrated bread). If you wish to receive communion, you will be required to wash your hands before receiving. Please remain in your seat and the president will come to you.

Offertory

We rely significantly upon the generosity of our congregations to sustain the Cathedral's worship and ministry. Please give by **contactless means** if you can. Money may be placed in the **Donation Boxes** as you leave. Please remember to use a **Gift Aid envelope** if you are a UK taxpayer.

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The Gathering

Introit

Cf Malachi 3: 1; 1 Chronicles 29:12

The ministers enter. The congregation stands. The cantor sings

Behold, * the Sovereign Lord is coming; kingship, government and power are in his hands.

The Greeting

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

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe. From the rising of the sun to its setting your name is proclaimed in all the world.

The Lord of glory be with you. **The Lord bless you.**

The president greets the congregation.

Prayer of Penitence

The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own. Let us confess our sins.

God be gracious to us and bless us, and make your face shine upon us: Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

May your ways be known on the earth, your saving power among the nations: Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You, Lord, have made known your salvation, and reveal your justice in the sight of the nations: Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy**

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

Gloria

The cantor sings

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 coelestis Deus Pater omnipotens.

good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee
for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son,

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace.

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. O Lord, the only-begotten Son,
Jesu Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the
world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the
world, receive our prayer.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect

Let us pray.

O God, who by the leading of a star manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may at last behold your glory face to face; 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.

The congregation sits.

The Liturgy of the Word

The First Reading

Ephesians 3:1-12

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles—for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind. as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

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

Gradual

Psalm 72:10-15

The congregation remains seated. The cantor sings

- ¹⁰ The kings of Tharsis and of the isles shall give presents * the kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts.
- ¹¹ All kings shall fall down before him * all nations shall do him service.
- ¹² For he shall deliver the poor when he crieth * the needy also, and him that hath no helper.
- ¹³ He shall be favourable to the simple and needy * and shall preserve the souls of the poor.
- ¹⁴ He shall deliver their souls from falsehood and wrong * and dear shall their blood be in his sight.
- ¹⁵ He shall live, and unto him shall be given of the gold of Arabia * prayer shall be made ever unto him, and daily shall he be praised.

Gospel Acclamation

The congregation stands.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Christ was revealed in flesh, proclaimed among the nations and believed in throughout the world. cf 1 Timothy 3.16

Alleluia

Gospel Reading

Matthew 2:1-12

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.**

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

"And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel."

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

Acclamations at the Presentation of the Gifts

The traditional gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh are offered at the crib.

At the offering of gold

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe: to you be praise and glory for ever.

As gold in the furnace is tried and purified seven times in the fire, so purify our hearts and minds that we may be a royal priesthood acceptable in the service of your kingdom.

Blessed be God for ever.

At the offering of incense

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe: to you be praise and glory for ever.

As our prayer rises up before you as incense, so may we be presented before you with penitent hearts and uplifted hands to offer ourselves in your priestly service.

Blessed be God for ever.

At the offering of myrrh

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe: to you be praise and glory for ever.

As you give medicine to heal our sickness and the leaves of the tree of life for the healing of the nations, so anoint us with your healing power that we may be the first-fruits of your new creation.

Blessed be God for ever.

The congregation sits

Sermon

The Revd Canon Cate Edmonds - Canon Steward

The Nicene Creed

The congregation stands

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.

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.

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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.

Intercessions

The congregation sits
The president introduces the intercessions.

Today the wise men knelt before our Saviour. Let us also kneel to worship him with great joy, and to make our prayer to his heavenly Father.

Father, the wise men came from the east to worship your Son: grant to Christians everywhere a true spirit of adoration. Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

Father, your Son is the King of kings and Lord of lords: grant an abundance of peace to your world. Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

Father, the Holy Family shared the life of the people of Nazareth: protect in your mercy our neighbours and families, together with the whole community of which we are part. Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

Father, your Son was rich, yet for our sakes he became poor: show your love for the poor and powerless, and strengthen those who suffer.
Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Father, the wise men presented to your Son gold, incense and myrrh: accept the gifts we bring, and the offering of our hearts at the beginning of this new year. Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

Father, you are the King of heaven, the hope of all who trust in you: give to the faithful departed the wonders of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of wise men, shepherds and angels, and of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Saint Joseph, we commend ourselves and all Christian people to your unfailing love.

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The congregation stands. The president says

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you are called to peace.

cf Colossians 3.15

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

Preparation of the Table

Offertory

The congregation sits.

During the preparation of the altar, the cantor only sings

Brightest and best of the sons of the morning, dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid; star of the East, the horizon adorning, guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

Cold on his cradle the dew-drops are shining, low lies his head with the beasts of the stall: angels adore him in slumber reclining, maker and Monarch and Saviour of all.

Say, shall we yield him, in costly devotion, odours of Edom and offerings divine?
Gems of the mountain and pearls of the ocean, myrrh from the forest or gold from the mine?

Vainly we offer each ample oblation, vainly with gifts would his favour secure; richer by far is the heart's adoration, dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.

Brightest and best of the sons of the morning, dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid; star of the East, the horizon adorning, guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

> Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826) Tune: Epiphany (J.F. Thrupp 1827-1867)

Prayer over the gifts

The congregation stands. The president says

Gracious God, accept the offering of your Church, the hearts of your people joined in praise and thanksgiving, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

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.

All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere, mighty creator, ever-living God, through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord: for at this time we celebrate your glory made present in our midst. In the coming of the Magi the King of all the world was revealed to the nations. In the waters of baptism Jesus was revealed as the Christ, the Saviour sent to redeem us.

In the water made wine the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast. Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy. Therefore with all the angels of heaven we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

The cantor sings:

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli, et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis. 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.

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 the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Peter 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. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Believing the promises of God, let us pray with confidence in the words our Saviour has taught us.

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 the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world. God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.

God's holy gifts for God's holy people. Jesus Christ is holy. Jesus Christ is Lord. to the glory of God the Father.

Giving of Communion

The congregation sits and is invited to receive Holy Communion. The president will come to your seat. Alternatively you may ask the priest for a blessing.

Please hold up this book to indicate that you wish to receive a blessing.

Gluten Free hosts are available—please hold up a piece of paper saying 'Gluten Free'.

No words of distribution will be said and you are asked not to speak.

During the distribution of Holy Communion, the cantor sings

Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei, Lamb of God qui tollis peccata mundi,

you take away the sin of the world. miserere nobis. have mercy on us.

Agnus Dei, Lamb of God

qui tollis peccata mundi, you take away the sin of the world,

miserere nobis. have mercy on us.

Lamb of God Agnus Dei.

you take away the sin of the world, qui tollis peccata mundi,

dona nobis pacem. grant us peace.

Carol

Here we bring new water from the well so clear, For to worship God with, this happy New Year. Sing levy dew, sing levy dew, the water and the wine: The seven bright gold wires and the bugles that do shine. Sing reign of Fair Maid, with gold upon her toe, Open you the West Door, and turn the Old Year go. Sing levy dew, sing levy dew, the water and the wine; The seven bright gold wires and the bugles that do shine.

Sing reign of Fair Maid, with gold upon her chin, Open you the East Door, and let the New Year in. Sing levy dew, sing levy dew, the water and the wine; The seven bright gold wires and the bugles that do shine.

> Text: From Tom Tiddler's Ground – Walter de la Mare Music: Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)

Prayers after Communion

Let us pray.

Lord God, the bright splendour whom the nations seek: may we who with the wise men have been drawn by your light discern the glory of your presence in your Son, the Word made flesh, 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 Dismissal

The Blessing

May God the Father, who led the wise men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from light, lead you in your pilgrimage to find the Lord. Amen.

May God, who has delivered us from the dominion of darkness, give us a place with the saints in light in the kingdom of his beloved Son.

Amen.

May the light of the glorious gospel of Christ shine in your hearts and fill our lives with his joy and peace. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

We have seen his glory, the glory revealed to all the nations. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen.

Organ Voluntary

Please wait in your seat until directed to leave.



Sunday 3		EPIPHANY
0800	Holy Communion BCP p65 for Collect, Epistle and Gospel	Nave
0900	Morning Prayer CW	Zoom
1000	Sung Eucharist CW Order 1 (Cantor and Organ)	Nave
1700	Evening Prayer BCP	Zoom
1800	Sundays@6	Nave
Monda	y 4	
0900	Morning Prayer CW	Zoom
1315	The Eucharist CW	Lady Chapel
1700	Evening Prayer BCP	Zoom
Tuesda	y 5	
0900	Morning Prayer CW	Zoom
1315	The Eucharist CW	Lady Chapel
1700	Evening Prayer BCP	Zoom
Wednesday 6		EPIPHANY

Morning prayer via Zoom www.zoom.us

Morning Prayer CW

Evening Prayer BCP

The Eucharist CW

0900

1315

1700

Meeting ID: 847 6869 5587

Password: 025062 Tel. 0203 051 2874

Evening prayer via Zoom www.zoom.us

Meeting ID: 892 3161 5055

Password: 017840 Tel. 0203 051 2874

The Very Revd Jonathan Greener - Dean

The Revd Canon James Mustard - Precentor

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Lady Chapel

3-10 January 2021

Thursd	ay 7		
0900	Morning Prayer CW		Zoom
1315	The Eucharist CW		Lady Chapel
1730	Choral Evensong BCP	Psalm 37	Nave
	Heathcote Statham in E minor		Responses
	Here is the little door - Herbert Howells		Michael Walsh
Friday	8		Professional Control of the Control
0900	Morning Prayer CW		Zoom
1315	The Eucharist CW		Lady Chapel
1730	Choral Evensong BCP	Psalms 41-43	Nave
	The Short Service - Thomas Morley		Responses
	Omnes de Saba - Jacob Handl		John Sanders
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0900	Morning Prayer CW		Zoom
1315	The Eucharist CW		Lady Chapel
1700	Evening Prayer BCP		Zoom
			PTISM OF CHRIST
0800	Holy Communion BCP p67 for Collect, Epistle	and Gospel	Online
0900	Morning Prayer CW		Zoom
1000	Choral Eucharist CW Order 1		Nave
	Eastern Monarchs - Andrew Millington		
	Psalm 29		
	Francis Jackson in G		
	Tribus miraculis - Giovanni Pierluigi da		
	Rhapsodie sur des Noëls – Eugène Gigo		
1215	Sung Eucharist CW Order 1 (Cantor and Orga	n)	Nave
1600	Epiphany Carol Service		Nave
1800	Sundays@6		Nave

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Timothy Noon - Director of Music

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Booking is essential

Notices

Readings next Sunday (10 January, 1000 Sung Eucharist, The Baptism of

Christ): Acts 19.1-7, Psalm 29, Mark 1.4-11

Preachers next Sunday 10 January:

0800: The Ven David Gunn-Johnson - Priest Vicar

1000: The Revd Canon Dr Chris Palmer - Canon Chancellor

1800: The Ven David Gunn-Johnson - Priest Vicar

Those who are sick or in need:

Rosemary Joy, John Thompson, Jane Jones, Cilla Dainty, Katherine, Stephen, Sally-Ann Hodson, Paul Nash, Prue Dowson, George Hood, Paul Nener, Juliette & David Bargman, Lesley, Nigel, Anthony, Simon Turrell, Simon Boyes, David Risdon, Richard Northcott, Rosie, Eve Kingdom, Ann Morley, Denise, Barbara Parry, Illya, Yve Taylor, Elsie Howell, Emily Appleton, Please pray for all those recently bereaved: Donald Marr. Rest in Peace: Amanda, Margaret Marr, James Atwell, Frank Berra, Michael Pipe.

Informal recital given by David Webb (tenor): Sunday 24 January 2021 after 1600 Choral Evensong. This recital is one of a few places David will be performing his 'Winterreisse' recital as part of a Mental Health Charity Fundraiser. The money raised at these recitals will be split between MIND and Music Minds Matter.

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