



Choral Evensong
with the
The Installation of
The Revd Rosie Austin
The Revd James Grier
and
The Revd Deborah Parsons
as
Prebendaries

Sunday 11 October 2020
4pm

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Robert
Bishop of Exeter



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Welcome to the Cathedral

We at Exeter Cathedral are delighted to host this service of installation for Rosie Austin, James Grier and Deborah Parsons. We welcome them and their families. As members of the College of Canons, they will contribute to the life of the Cathedral and its governance, and promote the mission and service of the Church in the Diocese. As members of the College of Canons, they receive the Cathedral's annual report and accounts, discuss matters concerning the Cathedral, and give advice or counsel as requested by the Bishop or Chapter.

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.

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 Choir will lead singing on behalf of the congregation. When speaking responses or prayers, please do not raise your voice.

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:

- 1 metre (Blue and White tape)
- 2 metres (Blue tape)

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.

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Please note that photography and recordings are not permitted during services in the Cathedral.

Music

The Preces and Responses are sung to a setting by John Sanders (1933-2003).

Ceremonies in the Lady Chapel

The Bishop and College of Canons gather in the Lady Chapel.

The Dean of Exeter, the President of the College of Canons, then nominates the Installers of the new Prebendaries.

I nominate The Revd Canon Dr Chris Palmer and Chapter Canon Jennifer Ellis to be the installers of the Revd Rosie Austin, the Revd James Grier and the Revd Deborah Parsons into the Quire of this Cathedral Church of St Peter in Exeter.

The Prebendaries are conducted from the Chapel of St John the Baptist to the Lady Chapel.

The Declaration of Assent

The Bishop says

The Church of England is part of the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church, worshipping the one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It professes the faith uniquely revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the catholic creeds, which faith the Church is called upon to proclaim afresh in each generation. Led by the Holy Spirit, it has borne witness to Christian truth in its historic formularies, the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion, the Book of Common Prayer, and the Ordering of Bishops, Priests, and Deacons. In the declaration you are about to make, will you affirm your loyalty to this inheritance of faith as your inspiration and guidance under God in bringing the grace and truth of Christ to this generation and making him known to those in your care?

The Clerks say in turn

I, Rosemary Elizabeth Austin, Clerk/I, James Grier, Clerk/
I Deborah Anne Parsons, Clerk/

The Clerks say together

do so affirm, and accordingly declare my belief in the faith which is revealed in the holy Scriptures and set forth in the catholic creeds and to which the historic formularies of the Church of England bear witness; and in public prayer and administration of the sacraments, I will use only the forms of service which are authorized or allowed by Canon.

The Oath of Allegiance

I, Rosemary Elizabeth Austin, Clerk/I, James Grier, Clerk/
I Deborah Anne Parsons, Clerk/ swear by Almighty God that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second, her heirs and successors, according to law: so help me God.

The Oath of Canonical Obedience

I, Rosemary Elizabeth Austin, Clerk/I, James Grier, Clerk/
I Deborah Anne Parsons, Clerk/ swear by Almighty God that I will pay true and canonical obedience to the Lord Bishop of Exeter and his successors in all things lawful and honest: so help me God.

Preparation for entry into the Cathedral

The Dean of Exeter asks

Will the Virger ascertain if there are any contumacious persons without?

Having drawn back the wicket and looked without, the Virger says

All is well without.

The Dean of Exeter says

Let the great doors be opened.

The members of the Cathedral body and the Bishop leave the Lady Chapel and proceed to the Cathedral from the Nave West Door and go to their places in the Nave.

The Canon Precentor and Choir sing

V. O Lord, open thou our lips.
R. *And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.*

V. O God, make speed to save us.
R. *O Lord, make haste to help us.*

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.
R. *As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.*

V. Praise ye the Lord.
R. *The Lord's Name be praised.*

The Dean welcomes the congregation.

Psalm 139: 1-18
Domine, probasti

The congregation sits. The Choir sings

O Lord, thou hast searched me out and known me : thou knowest my down-sitting and mine up-rising, thou understandest my thoughts long before.

² Thou art about my path, and about my bed : and spiest out all my ways.

³ For lo, there is not a word in my tongue : but thou, O Lord, knowest it altogether.

⁴ Thou hast fashioned me behind and before : and laid thine hand upon me.

⁵ Such knowledge is too wonderful and excellent for me : I cannot attain unto it.

⁶ Whither shall I go then from thy Spirit : or whither shall I go then from thy presence?

⁷ If I climb up into heaven, thou art there : if I go down to hell, thou art there also.

⁸ If I take the wings of the morning : and remain in the uttermost parts of the sea;

⁹ Even there also shall thy hand lead me : and thy right hand shall hold me.

¹⁰ If I say, Peradventure the darkness shall cover me : then shall my night be turned to day.

¹¹ Yea, the darkness is no darkness with thee, but the night is as clear as the day : the darkness and light to thee are both alike.

¹² For my reins are thine : thou hast covered me in my mother's womb.

¹³ I will give thanks unto thee, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made : marvellous are thy works, and that my soul knoweth right well.

¹⁴ My bones are not hid from thee : though I be made secretly, and fashioned beneath in the earth.

¹⁵ Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect : and in thy book were all my members written;

¹⁶ Which day by day were fashioned : when as yet there was none of them.

¹⁷ How dear are thy counsels unto me, O God : O how great is the sum of them!

¹⁸ If I tell them, they are more in number than the sand : when I wake up I am present with thee.

The congregation stands.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

The congregation sits.

The First Lesson

Proverbs 3:1-18

Here begins the first verse of the third Chapter of the book of Proverbs.

My child, do not forget my teaching,
but let your heart keep my commandments;
for length of days and years of life
and abundant welfare they will give you.

Do not let loyalty and faithfulness forsake you;
bind them round your neck,
write them on the tablet of your heart.
So you will find favour and good repute
in the sight of God and of people.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart,
and do not rely on your own insight.
In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will make straight your paths.
Do not be wise in your own eyes;
fear the Lord, and turn away from evil.
It will be a healing for your flesh
and a refreshment for your body.

Honour the Lord with your substance
and with the first fruits of all your produce;
then your barns will be filled with plenty,
and your vats will be bursting with wine.

My child, do not despise the Lord's discipline
or be weary of his reproof,
for the Lord reproves the one he loves,
as a father the son in whom he delights.

Happy are those who find wisdom,
and those who get understanding,
for her income is better than silver,
and her revenue better than gold.
She is more precious than jewels,
and nothing you desire can compare with her.
Long life is in her right hand;
in her left hand are riches and honour.
Her ways are ways of pleasantness,
and all her paths are peace.
She is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her;
those who hold her fast are called happy.

Here ends the First Lesson.

Magnificat

The congregation stands. The Choir sings

My soul doth magnify the Lord :
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded :
the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold, from henceforth :
all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me :
and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him :
throughout all generations.
He hath shewed strength with his arm :
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat :
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things :
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel :
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :
and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

*Setting: Downing College Service
Composer: Bob Chilcott (b1955)*

The congregation sits.

The Second Lesson

1 John 3:1-15

Here begins the first verse of the third Chapter of the first letter of John.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous. Everyone who commits sin is a child of the devil; for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The Son of God was revealed for this purpose, to destroy the works of the devil. Those who have been born of God do not sin, because God's seed abides in them; they cannot sin, because they have been born of God. The children of God and the children of the devil are revealed in this way: all who do not do what is right are not from God, nor are those who do not love their brothers and sisters. For this is the message you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another. We must not be like Cain who was from the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own deeds were evil and his brother's righteous. Do not be astonished, brothers and sisters, that the world hates you. We know that we have passed from death to life because we love one another. Whoever does not love abides in death. All who hate a brother or sister are murderers, and you know that murderers do not have eternal life abiding in them.

Here ends the Second Lesson.

Nunc Dimittis

The congregation stands. The Choir sings

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace :
according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen : thy salvation;
Which thou hast prepared : before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles :
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :
world without end. Amen.

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The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth:
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Canon Precentor and Choir sings

V. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit.

The congregation sits or kneels.

Let us pray.

*Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

*Our Father,
which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done,
in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that trespass against us.*

*And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. Amen.*

V. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
R. *And grant us thy salvation.*

V. O Lord, save the Queen.
R. *And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.*

V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness.
R. *And make thy chosen people joyful.*

V. O Lord, save thy people.
R. *And bless thine inheritance.*

V. Give peace in our time, O Lord.
R. *Because there is none other that fighteth for us,
but only thou, O God.*

V. O God, make clean our hearts within us.
R. *And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.*

The Collect

Lord, we beseech thee, grant thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow thee the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Collect for Peace

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both, our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that, by thee, we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

The Collect for Aid against all Perils

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Anthem

The congregation sits. The Choir sings

The Lord is my Shepherd, therefore can I lack nothing.
He shall feed me in a green pasture,
and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.
He shall convert my soul,
and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness,
for his name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil:
for thou art with me, thy rod and thy staff comfort me.
Thou shalt prepare a table for me against them that trouble me:
thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
But Thy loving kindness and Thy mercy shall follow me all the days
of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Text: Psalm 23

Music: John Rutter (b1943)

The Presentation

The Prebendaries designate are brought by the Installers and presented to the Bishop.

Bishop Robert, we present to you Rosie Austin, James Grier, and Deborah Parsons who have been appointed as a Prebendaries of this Cathedral Church, and ask you to commission them for their work.

The Commissioning

The Bishop addresses the three Prebendaries designate:

The Cathedral Church of Saint Peter is the seat of the Bishop, a place of prayer and worship, and a centre of mission and service. As the Mother Church of the Diocese, the Cathedral seeks to draw people to the love of God by maintaining the primacy and centrality of worship. In its witness to Jesus Christ and in the welcome that it extends to its many visitors, it encourages people to discover the fullness of life which is Christ's promise to us.

In its outreach to the local community it seeks to serve the people of this city and county with joy that in all things God may be glorified.

Prebendaries contribute to the life of the Cathedral and its governance, and promote the mission and service of the Church in the Diocese. They uphold and promote good relationships between the Cathedral and people and churches across Devon.

Prebendaries will sometimes preach at the cathedral, and participate in its liturgical life. As members of the College of Canons, they receive the Cathedral's annual report and accounts, discuss matters concerning the Cathedral, and give advice or counsel as requested by the Bishop or Chapter. In the event of a vacancy in the See, they participate in the meeting of the College of Canons which elects the new Bishop.

Rosie, James and Deborah, will you, by your life and ministry, support this vision of the life and work of the Cathedral?
By the help of God, I will.

Members of the College of Canons of the Cathedral Church have a responsibility to support the life of prayer of the Cathedral in their private devotions and in corporate acts of worship; they are to promote its mission in the Diocese.

Are you willing, the Lord being your helper, to accept this responsibility?
I am.

Will you be reverent and faithful in the worship of almighty God in this place?
By the help of God, I will.

Will you do all in your power to further God's mission through the work of this Cathedral Community?
With God's help, I will.

May God who has given you the will to make these promises, give you also the grace to fulfil them with faith, hope and love. **Amen.**

I now invite you to take the customary Oath of a Prebendary.

The Oath of a Prebendary

Taking the New Testament in their right hand, the Prebendaries designate say

I, Rosemary Elizabeth Austin, Clerk/I, James Grier, Clerk/
I Deborah Anne Parsons, Clerk/swear that I will observe and maintain all the regulations, statutes, ordinances, rules and laudable customs of the Cathedral Church of St Peter in Exeter, so far as they concern in anywise me and my dignity: So help me God.

The Declarations

The candidates turn to face the congregation and the Bishop says:

Brothers and sisters, you have heard Rosie, James and Deborah's declarations. Will you uphold and encourage them in their ministry?

We will.

The Bishop addresses the Chapter and the College of Canons

Members of Chapter and College of Canons, will you welcome them among you, and work with them in promoting the vision and mission of the Cathedral and Diocese?

By the help of God, we will.

The candidates turn back to face the Bishop.

The Collation

The new Prebendaries kneel before the Bishop who reads their Deed of Appointment and presents it to them saying:

N, Receive this Deed and take your share in the responsibility which is mine, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

When all three have received their Deeds, the Bishop says this blessing:

May the Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the words and works of God, and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be upon you this day and always. **Amen.**

The Bishop issues the Mandate to the installers directing the Dean and Chapter to install the Prebendaries

Dear friends in Christ, having commissioned our sisters Rosie, Deborah and our brother James, I ask you to welcome them and install them in the Quire of our Cathedral Church.

The Promise of Fidelity to the Cathedral Foundation

Members of the College of Canons stand. The Dean addresses the new clergy:

Rosie, James, Deborah, before your installation I invite you to make the customary promise of Fidelity to the Cathedral Foundation and so take your rightful place among us according to the ancient traditions of this Cathedral Church.

Placing their hands on the Book of Gospels, the clergy say

I, Rosemary Elizabeth Austin, Clerk/I, James Grier, Clerk/
I Deborah Anne Parsons, Clerk promise that I will serve this Cathedral Church of Saint Peter in Exeter in the ministry of a Prebendary and as a Member of the College of Canons with faithfulness in worship, devotion in service, honesty of endeavour, and with reverence and love for all God's people; in obedience to its Constitution and Statutes, and in witness to the faith of Jesus Christ our Lord; so help me God and these Holy Gospels.

The new clergy sign the Cathedral Book of Oaths.

The Dean and Installers lead the Prebendaries to the Quire.

The Installation

The Installers bring the new clergy before the Dean and hand him the Bishop's Mandate. The Dean says

By virtue of the mandate from the Right Reverend Father in God, Robert, by Divine Permission Lord Bishop of Exeter, we install you, Rosie, James, and Deborah into the possession of a certain Canonical Dignity founded in this Cathedral Church of St Peter in Exeter with all the rights and responsibilities that belong to it. We assign Rosemary the stall of St David, James the stall of St Luke, and Deborah the stall of St Augustine of Canterbury in the Quire, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Installers place the new clergy in their customary stalls, saying

May the Lord preserve your going out and your coming in

Members of the College of Canons reply

From this time forth for evermore. Amen.

The new clergy are welcomed with applause. The Prebendaries and Installers return to their places in the Nave.

Prayer in honour of the Founder, Builders and Benefactors of the Cathedral

The congregation stands. The Dean says

O Father of our Lord Jesus Christ from whom every family
in heaven and earth is named,
who art alway to be praised both in the living and in the dead;
we give thanks to thee for Edward,
King and Confessor, our Founder,
and for all our builders and benefactors;
and we pray that according to the riches of thy glory
those who now serve thee in this Cathedral
may be strengthened by the power of thy Spirit,
that Christ may dwell in their hearts through faith;
that they, being rooted and grounded in love,
may be strong to apprehend with all the saints
what is the breadth and length and height and depth,
and to know the love of Christ
which passeth knowledge,
that they may be filled with all thy fullness,
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Blessing from the Leofric Missal

The Bishop says

V: Our help is in the name of the Lord

R: **who made heaven and earth**

V: Blessed be the name of the Lord

R: **from this time forth and for evermore**

May the Lord give you understanding of his wisdom and his grace
and make you diligent in his service;
may he nourish you in the riches of his Gospel
and make you to persevere in all good works;
may he keep your steps from wandering
and direct you in the paths of love and peace;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Leofric (First Bishop of Exeter, (1050-1072)

Organ Voluntary

Allegro Vivace (Symphonie No 3) - *Louis Vierne*
(1870-1937)

The Procession proceeds to the Lady Chapel. Upon arrival, the Dean says to the College of Canons:

The Dean gives the new clergy a loaf of bread, and a copy of the Cathedral Constitution and Statutes to the Prebendaries saying:

I will bless the Lord, who hath given me understanding: I set the Lord always in my sight; for he is at my right hand, that I not be moved.

The Dean says
Let us bless the Lord.

and the College replies
Thanks be to God.

Vestiture

In the Sacristy:

Bishops:
Rochet and Chimere

The Cathedral Clergy (Chapter and Priest Vicars)
Dignity Copes + cassock and surplice

The Chapel of St John the Baptist:

Rosie Austin, James Grier and Deborah Parsons

The Chapel of St Andrew and St Catherine

Archdeacons of Exeter, Plymouth and Totnes
Gold Copes (provided) + cassock and surplice

The Chapel of St James and St Thomas

Prebendaries and Lay Canon (College of Canons)
Own copes + cassock and surplice

In the Quire:
Cathedral Choir