



Exeter  
Cathedral

# Choral Eucharist

*Sunday 28 February 2021*

1000

**THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**



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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 to this online service.

### Ministers

President: The Revd Canon Cate Edmonds - *Canon Steward*  
Preacher: The Revd Canon James Mustard - *Canon Precentor*

### Music

Conductor: Timothy Noon - *Director of Music*  
Organist: Timothy Parsons - *Assistant Director of Music*  
Mass Setting: Missa Eliensis - *Arthur Wills*  
(1926-2020)

The introit performed this morning is in memory of Richard Shephard who died on 20 February this year.

The Cathedral's Consort, its professional adult singers, will be singing at this act of worship.

### Giving

We rely significantly upon the generosity of our congregations and the people of Devon to sustain the Cathedral's worship and ministry. We are grateful for any donations or gifts in support of the Cathedral.

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**<https://www.exeter-cathedral.org.uk/support-us/how-to-donate/>**

## The Gathering

## Introit

*The ministers enter. The Consort stands and sings*

O how amiable are thy dwellings : thou Lord of hosts!  
My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord :  
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

*Text: Psalm 84:1-2.*

*Music: Richard Shephard (1949-2021)*

## The Greeting

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

**Amen.**

Grace, mercy and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

## Prayer of Penitence

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit;  
a broken and contrite heart God will not despise.  
Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion,  
and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

*The Consort sits*

**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.**

## 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**

## Kyrie

*The Consort stands and sings*

Kyrie eleison	<i>Lord, have mercy.</i>
Christe eleison	<i>Christ, have mercy.</i>
Kyrie eleison	<i>Lord, have mercy.</i>

## The Collect

Let us pray.

Almighty God,  
you show to those who are in error the light of your truth,  
that they may return to the way of righteousness:  
grant to all those who are admitted  
into the fellowship of Christ's religion,  
that they may reject those things  
that are contrary to their profession,  
and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same;  
through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

*The Consort sits.*

## The Liturgy of the Word

### The First Reading

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

A reading from the book of Genesis.

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, 'I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.' Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, 'As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. God said to Abraham, 'As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.'

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

### Gradual

Psalm 22:23-32

*The Consort stands and sings*

O praise the Lord, ye that fear him: magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob, and fear him, all ye seed of Israel;

<sup>24</sup> For he hath not despised, nor abhorred, the low estate of the poor: he hath not hid his face from him, but when he called unto him he heard him.

<sup>25</sup> My praise is of thee in the great congregation: my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.

<sup>26</sup> The poor shall eat, and be satisfied: they that seek after the Lord shall praise him; your heart shall live for ever.

<sup>27</sup> All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the Lord: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him.

<sup>28</sup> For the kingdom is the Lord's: and he is the Governor among the people.

<sup>29</sup> All such as be fat upon earth: have eaten, and worshipped.

<sup>30</sup> All they that go down into the dust shall kneel before him: and no man hath quickened his own soul.

<sup>31</sup> My seed shall serve him: they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation.

<sup>32</sup> They shall come, and the heavens shall declare his righteousness: unto a people that shall be born, whom the Lord hath made.

## **Gospel Acclamation**

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

The Lord is a great God, O that today you would listen to his voice.

Harden not your hearts.

**Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.**

*cf Psalm 95,3,8*

## **Gospel Reading**

Mark 8:31-38

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**Glorify to you, O Lord.**

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you O Christ.**

*The Consort sits*

## **Sermon**

The Revd Canon James Mustard - *Canon Precentor*

## **The Nicene Creed**

*The Consort stands and says*

**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.**

## **Intercessions**

*The Consort sits.*

*The president introduces the intercessions.*

We pray to the Lord for courage to give up other things  
and to give ourselves to him this Lent.

Give your Church the courage

to give up her preoccupation with herself

and to give more time to your mission in the world.

May the blood and water flowing from the side of Jesus  
bring forgiveness to your people  
and help us to face the cost of proclaiming salvation.  
Lord, in your mercy  
**hear our prayer.**

Give your world the courage  
to give up war, bitterness and hatred,  
and to seek peace.  
May the shoulders of the risen Jesus,  
once scourged by soldiers,  
bear the burden of political and military conflict in our world.  
Lord, in your mercy  
**hear our prayer.**

Give us the courage to give up quarrels, strife and jealousy  
in our families, neighbourhoods and communities.  
May the presence of the risen Jesus,  
his body once broken and now made whole,  
bring peace and direction as we live with one another.  
Lord, in your mercy  
**hear our prayer.**

Give us the courage  
to give up our selfishness as we live for others,  
and to give time, care and comfort to the sick.  
May the wounded hands of Jesus bring his healing touch,  
and the light of his presence fill their rooms.  
Lord, in your mercy  
**hear our prayer.**

Give us the courage to give up our fear of death  
and to rejoice with those who have died in faith.  
May the feet of the risen Lord Jesus, once nailed to the cross,  
walk alongside the dying and bereaved in their agony,  
and walk with us and all your Church  
through death to the gate of glory.  
Merciful Father  
**accept these prayers,  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

# The Liturgy of the Sacrament

## The Peace

*The Consort stands. The president says*

Since we are justified by faith,  
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who has given us access to his grace.

*Romans 5.1,2*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

## Preparation of the Table

### Offertory

*During the preparation of the altar, the Consort sings*

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,  
and publish abroad his wonderful name:  
the name all-victorious of Jesus extol:  
his kingdom is glorious, and rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save:  
and still he is nigh, his presence we have:  
the great congregation his triumph shall sing,  
ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

Salvation to God who sits on the throne!  
Let all cry aloud, and honour the Son:  
the praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,  
fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give him his right:  
all glory and power, all wisdom and might,  
all honour and blessing, with angels above,  
and thanks never-ceasing, and infinite love.

*Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)  
Tune: Paderborn (Gesangbuch 1765)*

## Prayer over the gifts

*The president says*

God of wisdom,  
may the light of your eternal Word,  
our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,  
lead us in holiness and guide us to glory;  
we ask this in his name.

**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.**

It is indeed right and good  
to give you thanks and praise,  
almighty God and everlasting Father,  
through Jesus Christ your Son.  
For in these forty days  
you lead us into the desert of repentance  
that through a pilgrimage of prayer and discipline  
we may grow in grace  
and learn to be your people once again.  
Through fasting, prayer and acts of service  
you bring us back to your generous heart.  
Through study of your holy word  
you open our eyes to your presence in the world  
and free our hands to welcome others  
into the radiant splendour of your love.  
As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast  
with joyful hearts and minds  
we bless you for your mercy  
and join with saints and angels  
for ever praising you and saying:

*The Consort sings:*

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts,  
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.  
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

*The president continues:*

All glory be to you, our heavenly Father,  
who, in your tender mercy,  
gave your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ  
to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption;  
who made there by his one oblation of himself once offered  
a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction  
for the sins of the whole world;  
he instituted, and in his holy gospel commanded us to continue,  
a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again.  
Hear us, merciful Father, we humbly pray,  
and grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
we receiving these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine,  
according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution,  
in remembrance of his death and passion,  
may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood;  
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.  
Jesus Christ is Lord:  
**Lord, by your cross and resurrection  
you have set us free.  
You are the Saviour of the world.**

Therefore, Lord and heavenly Father,  
in remembrance of the precious death and passion,  
the mighty resurrection and glorious ascension  
of your dear Son Jesus Christ,  
we offer you through him this our sacrifice of praise  
and thanksgiving.

Grant that by his merits and death,  
and through faith in his blood,  
we and all your Church may receive forgiveness of our sins  
and all other benefits of his passion.  
Although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins,  
to offer you any sacrifice,  
yet we pray that you will accept this  
the duty and service that we owe.  
Do not weigh our merits, but pardon our offences,  
and fill us all who share in this holy communion  
with your grace and heavenly blessing;  
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**

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 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

Jesus is 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 clergy receive Holy Communion.*

## Agnus Dei

*The Consort sings*

O Lamb of God,  
that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God,  
that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God,  
that takest away the sins of the world,  
grant us thy peace.

Jesu dulcis memoria  
dans vera cordis gaudia:  
sed super mel et omnia  
ejus dulcis præsentia.

*Jesu, the very thought of thee  
with sweetness fills my breast;  
but sweeter far thy face to see,  
and in thy presence rest.*

Nil canitur suavius,  
nil auditur jucundius  
nil cogitatur dulcius  
quam Jesus Dei filius.

*Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame,  
nor can the memory find,  
a sweeter sound than thy blest name,  
O Saviour of mankind!*

Jesu spes pænitentibus,  
quam pius es petentibus!  
quam bonus te quærentibus!  
sed quid invenientibus?

*O hope of every contrite heart,  
O joy of all the meek,  
To those who fall, how kind thou art!  
How good to those who seek!*

Nec lingua valet dicere,  
nec littera exprimere:  
expertus potest credere,  
quid sit Jesum diligere.

*But what to those who find? Ah! this  
Nor tongue nor pen can show;  
The love of Jesus! what it is,  
None but his loved ones know.*

*Text: Bernard of Clairvaux (1090-1153)*

*Tr: Edward Caswall (1814-1878)*

*Music: Richard Shephard (1949-2021)*

## **Prayers after Communion**

Let us pray.

Almighty God,  
you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves:  
keep us both outwardly in our bodies,  
and inwardly in our souls;  
that we may be defended from all adversities  
which may happen to the body,  
and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul;  
through 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

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,  
to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him;  
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 peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

## The Blessing

### Organ Voluntary

Fantasy on "Aus der Tiefe" - *Kenneth Leighton*  
(1929-1928)

## Notices

**Sunday Zoom Coffee.** We are reinstating a Zoom 'coffee hour' at 1100 for the coming weeks. Do join us online after the Morning Eucharist for to chat, catch up, celebrate and commiserate with each other, and pore over the sermon. Meeting ID: 732 5358 6706 Passcode: 270422

**The Cathedral Shop** is now online via the Cathedral website

**Public Worship:** The Cathedral will be open for Public Worship on Wednesday at 1315 (Said Eucharist). On Sundays at 0800 (BCP Holy Communion) and at 1215 (Sung Eucharist with cantor). Please book tickets in advance for the Sunday 1215 Eucharist through the Cathedral website.

**World Day of Prayer: Friday 5 March 2021 1130**

**Theme: BUILD ON A STRONG FOUNDATION designed by the Women of VANUATU**

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**Readings next Sunday (7 March, 1000 Choral Eucharist, The Third Sunday of Lent):** Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 19:7-end; John 2:13-22

**Preachers next Sunday 7 March:**

0800: The Revd Canon Morwenna Ludlow - *Canon Theologian*

1000 and 1215: The Revd Canon Chris Palmer - *Canon Chancellor*

1600: The Very Revd Jonathan Greener - *Dean*

1800: The Revd Phil Wales - *Assistant Curate*

### **Those who are sick or in need:**

Rosemary Joy, Jane Jones, Cilla Dainty, Katherine, Paul Nash, Lesley, Nigel, Simon Turrell, David Risdon, Richard Northcott, Barbara Parry, David Moss, Emily Appleton, Charles Johnson, Tom Treloar, Bill Oliphant, David Webster, Jacqueline Cooke, Sue Williams, Joy, Maggie Faulkner, Pam and her family, Sue, HRH The Duke of Edinburgh, Dick Smethurst, Illya, Yve Taylor, Elsie Howell, Anthony, Lilian Lovell, Fiona Thompson and family.

**Please pray for all those recently bereaved:** Judith, Vivien, Katherine.

**Rest in Peace:** Jan Taylor, Lucian Nethsingha. Chati Mancilla, Sylvia Ackland, Chris Knott, Maureen Jones, Tommy Dann, Bex Lewis, Tony Moore, Richard Shephard, Sr Mary Joseph, Eve Nottage, John Thompson.

**The Treasures of Romania:** Monday 20- Wednesday 29 September 2021 Bishop Martin and Elspeth Shaw invite you to join them on a journey of a nation in its traditions and development. From the vibrancy of Bucharest, we will move across the Carpathian Mountains to the famous World Heritage [UNESCO] Bucovina monastery churches. Via Moldavia, we will come to Transylvania, staying at the historic mansion of Szekerland. Our journey will be completed by a visit to a Children's Hospice, cared for by an Orthodox priest. We'll have a daily Eucharist and time to enjoy new as well as deepen friendship. Cost: £1695 [which includes a deposit of £200] If you are interested to receive more information, please contact Bishop Martin: 07801 549615

### **Worship this week:**

#### **Monday to Saturday:**

0900 Morning Prayer - Zoom ID 847 6869 5587 Code 025062

1700 Evening Prayer - Zoom ID 892 3161 5055 Code 017840

#### **Wednesday only:**

1315 Said Eucharist

#### **Next Sunday:**

0800 Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

0900 Morning Prayer - Zoom ID 847 6869 5587 Code 025062

1000 The Eucharist with Consort - Live-stream only

1215 Sung Eucharist with Cantor - *Please book tickets in advance through the Cathedral website.*

1600 Evensong with Consort - Live-stream only

1800 Sundays at 6 - Livestream only

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The Cathedral is open for private prayer, Monday to Saturday 1100-1400, including a Said Eucharist on Wednesday at 1315.

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