



Exeter  
Cathedral

# Choral Eucharist

Sunday 01 December 2024

10.00am

*The First Sunday of Advent*

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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 Bishops of Exeter, the symbol of their 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.

## **The Season of Advent**

Advent is a season of expectation and preparation, as the Church prepares to celebrate the coming (adventus) of Christ in his incarnation, and also looks ahead to his final advent as judge at the end of time.

The Four Last Things – Death, Judgement, Heaven and Hell – have been traditional themes for Advent meditation. The characteristic note of Advent is therefore expectation. The anticipation of Christmas under commercial pressure has also made it harder to sustain the appropriate sense of alert watchfulness, but the fundamental Advent prayer remains ‘Maranatha’ – ‘Our Lord, come’ (1 Corinthians 16.22). Church decorations are simple and spare, and purple is the traditional liturgical colour. In the northern hemisphere, the Advent season falls at the darkest time of the year, and the natural symbols of darkness and light are powerfully at work throughout Advent and Christmas. The lighting of candles on an Advent wreath was imported into Britain from northern Europe in the nineteenth century, and is now a common practice. The Third Sunday of Advent is observed as a splash of colour in the restrained atmosphere of Advent (Gaudete or ‘Rose Sunday’), and the last days of Advent are marked by the sequence of Great ‘O’ Antiphons, at Evening Prayer, which continue to inspire modern Advent hymns and meditations.

## **Ministers**

President: The Very Revd Jonathan Greener - *Dean*

Deacon: The Revd Canon James Mustard - *Canon Precentor*

Subdeacon: The Revd Canon Ian Morter - *Priest Vicar*

Preacher: The Revd Canon Cate Edmonds - *Canon Steward*

## **Music**

Mass Setting: Messe Solennelle – *Louis Vierne (1870-1937)*

Conductor: Timothy Noon - *Director of Music*

Organist: Adam Field - *Organ Scholar*

## **Children's Activities:**

All children, whether new to the Cathedral, visitors or old friends, are very welcome to join us in Cloister Club. Our Cloister Club leaders all have enhanced DBS checks and will be sitting in the North Nave aisle before the service. Come and join us for fun and music.

## **Holy Communion**

Communion will be offered in two kinds, bread and wine. Please do not dip the host in the wine. Please follow the directions of the sidesmen. Gluten-free wafers will be available at all communion stations, if you require a gluten-free wafer please indicate this to the clergy. If you wish to receive a blessing only please carry this order of service with you.

## **Collection and Giving**

A collection will be taken during this service. Please remember to use a Gift Aid envelope if you are a UK taxpayer. Also, you may support the work of the Cathedral by donating at the collection boxes and online terminals at the entrance and exit. Additionally, you may give to the Cathedral via this QR code or via the website: <https://www.exeter-cathedral.org.uk/support-us/giving-to-exeter-cathedral/>



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## Organ Music before the Service

Lied - *Louis Vierne (1870-1937)*

# Order of service

## The Gathering

### Litany

*The congregation is invited to stand. The choir sings*

God the Father  
*have mercy on us.*

God the Son  
*have mercy on us.*

God the Holy Spirit  
*have mercy on us.*

Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity  
*have mercy on us.*

For the peace of the whole world,  
for the welfare of the Holy Church of God,  
and for the unity of all,  
*Hear us, good Lord.*

Enlighten Mike, Jackie and James our bishops  
with knowledge and understanding,  
that by their teaching and their lives,  
they may enable the Church to proclaim your Word.  
*Hear us, good Lord.*

For all the members of the Church in our vocation and ministry,  
that we may serve you in truth and love,  
*Hear us, good Lord.*

For all called to be deacons in your Church,  
for the parishes, schools and chaplaincies where they serve  
*Hear us, good Lord.*

For the mission of the Church,  
that in faithful witness we may proclaim the gospel of reconciliation to  
the ends of the earth,  
let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For the unity of the Church,  
that we may be one in Christ, according to his will,  
let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For the sick and suffering, for the aged and infirm,  
for the lonely and neglected,  
and for all who remember and care for them,  
let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For the poor and the hungry,  
for the homeless and the oppressed,  
for all prisoners and captives,  
and for our brothers and sisters who are persecuted for their faith,  
let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For Charles our King,  
for the leaders of the nations,  
and for all in authority,  
let us pray to the Lord  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For ourselves,  
for grace to repent and amend our lives,  
that we may be pardoned and absolved from all our sins,  
*Holy God,*  
*Holy and strong,*  
*Holy and immortal, have mercy on us.*

Remembering all who have gone before us in faith,  
and in communion with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Peter,  
St Stephen, St Laurence, St Boniface, St Edward the Confessor,  
and all the saints, let us commit ourselves, one another,  
and our whole life  
to Christ our God.  
*Amen*

## The Greeting

*The congregation remains standing. The president says:*

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

**Amen.**

*The president says*

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

## Welcome

*The president greets the congregation.*

## Lighting of the Advent Candle

*The deacon lights the first candle on the Advent wreath.*

*The president says*

God of Abraham and Sarah,  
and all the patriarchs of old,  
you are our Father too.

Your love is revealed to us in Jesus Christ,  
Son of God and Son of David.

Help us in preparing to celebrate his birth  
to make our hearts ready for your Holy Spirit  
to make his home among us.

We ask this through Jesus Christ,  
the light who is coming into the world.

**Amen.**



*The Cloister Club departs after the congregation says*  
**Creator God,**  
**may our Cloister Club know your love as they gather today.**  
**May they hear your voice in song, story and play.**  
**May they be filled with joy in their worship,**  
**and give thanks for your generous gift of creation.**  
**This we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord.**  
**Amen.**

## **Prayer of Penitence**

*The deacon says*

When the Lord comes,  
he will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness,  
and will disclose the purposes of the heart.  
Therefore in the light of Christ let us confess our sins.

*cf 1 Corinthians 4.5*

## **Kyrie**

*The congregation sits. The choir sings*

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

*The congregation stands. The president says*

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 Collect**

*The congregation remains standing as the president invites us to pray*

Almighty God,  
give us grace to cast away the works of darkness  
and to put on the armour of light,  
now in the time of this mortal life,  
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility;  
that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty  
to judge the living and the dead,  
we may rise to the life immortal;  
through him 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**

Jeremiah 33:14-16

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Hymn

*The congregation stands and sings*

**Hark what a sound, and too divine for hearing,  
stirs on the earth and trembles in the air!  
Is it the thunder of the Lord's appearing?  
Is it the music of his people's prayer?**

**Surely he cometh, and a thousand voices  
shout to the saints, and to the deaf are dumb;  
surely he cometh, and the earth rejoices,  
glad in his coming who hath sworn: I come!**

**This hath he done, and shall we not adore him?  
This shall he do, and can we still despair?  
Come, let us quickly fling ourselves before him,  
cast at his feet the burden of our care.**

**Yea through life, death, through sorrow and through sinning,  
He shall suffice me, for he hath sufficed:  
Christ is the end, for Christ was the beginning,  
Christ the beginning, for the end is Christ.**

*Words: Frederic W.H. Myers (1843-1901)*

*Tune: Highwood (R.R. Terry 1865-1938)*

# Gospel Acclamation

*The congregation turns to face the deacon. The acclamation heralds the Gospel reading. The choir sings the Alleluia, then all repeat it.*



*The cantor sings*

Shew us thy mercy, O Lord: and grant us thy salvation.

*All sing the Alleluia.*

# Gospel Reading

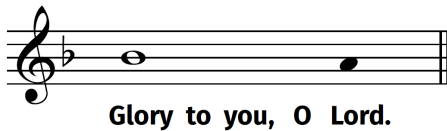
Luke 21: 25-36

*The deacon says*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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

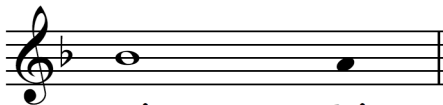


Jesus said to his disciples: ‘There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in a cloud” with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.’

Then he told them a parable: ‘Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

‘Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The congregation sits.*

## **Sermon**

The Revd Canon Cate Edmonds - *Canon Steward*

# **The Nicene Creed**

*The congregation 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.**

## **Prayers of Intercession**

*The president introduces the prayers. The congregation sits. The following response is used.*

Maranatha:

**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

*At the end*

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*

In the tender mercy of our God,  
the dayspring from on high shall break upon us,  
to give light to those who dwell in darkness  
and in the shadow of death,  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

*cf Luke 1.78,79*

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

## Offertory Collection

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## Preparation of the Table

*The altar is prepared. The congregation sings*

**O come, O come, Emmanuel!**  
**Redeem thy captive Israel,**  
**that into exile drear is gone**  
**far from the face of God's dear Son.**  
**Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel**  
**shall come to thee, O Israel.**

**O come, thou Wisdom from on high!**  
**who madest all in earth and sky,**  
**creating man from dust and clay:**  
**to us reveal salvation's way.**  
**Rejoice...**

**O come, O come, Adonai,**  
**who in thy glorious majesty**  
**from Sinai's mountain, clothed with awe,**  
**gavest thy folk the ancient law.**  
**Rejoice...**



**O come, O come, thou Dayspring bright!  
pour on our souls thy healing light;  
dispel the long night's lingering gloom,  
and pierce the shadows of the tomb.  
*Rejoice...***

**O come, desire of nations! Show  
thy kingly reign on earth below;  
thou corner-stone, uniting all,  
restore the ruin of our fall.  
*Rejoice...***

*Words: Latin Advent Antiphons*

*Tr T.A. Lacey (1853-1931)*

*Tune: Veni Emmanuel (Thomas Helmore 1811-1890)*

## **Prayer over the gifts**

*The congregation remains standing. The president says*

Look upon us in mercy not in judgement;  
draw us from hatred to love;  
make the frailty of our praise  
a dwelling place for your glory.  
**Amen.**

## Eucharistic Prayer

*The president says*

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 when he humbled himself to come among us in human flesh,  
he fulfilled the plan you formed before the foundation of the world  
to open for us the way of salvation.

Confident that your promise will be fulfilled,  
we now watch for the day  
when Christ our Lord will come again in glory.

And so we join our voices with angels and archangels  
and with all the company of heaven  
to proclaim your glory  
for ever praising you and singing:

*The congregation remains standing. The choir sings:*

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus,	<i>Holy, holy, holy, Lord,</i>
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.	<i>God of power and might,</i>
Pleni sunt coeli, et terra	<i>heaven and earth are full of</i>
gloria tua.	<i>your glory,</i>
Hosanna in excelsis.	<i>Hosanna in the highest.</i>

Benedictus qui venit  
in nomine Domini.  
Hosanna in excelsis.

*Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

*The president continues:*

We praise and bless you, loving Father,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
and as we obey his command,  
send your Holy Spirit,  
that broken bread and wine outpoured  
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends  
and, taking bread, he praised you.  
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.  
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:  
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.  
So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,  
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice  
made once for all upon the cross.  
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,  
we proclaim his death and resurrection  
until he comes in glory.

*The deacon says*

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

Lord of all life,

help us to work together for that day

when your kingdom comes

and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,

gather us in your loving arms

and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary,

St Peter, St Edward the Confessor,

and all the saints

to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,

for ever and ever.

**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 congregation sits. If you wish to receive communion please follow the directions of the sidesmen, joining the appropriate queue and returning to your seats via the side aisles. If you wish to receive a blessing **please bring this booklet and hold it up to indicate this.** Please do not dip the host in the wine.*

*Gluten-free hosts are available—simply say “gluten-free.”*

## **Agnus Dei**

*The choir sings*

Agnus Dei,  
qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.

*Lamb of God  
you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei,  
qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.

*Lamb of God  
you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei,  
qui tollis peccata mundi,  
dona nobis pacem.

*Lamb of God  
you take away the sin of the world,  
grant us peace.*

## **Anthem**

*The choir sings*

Exsurge; quare obdormis Domine?  
exsurge, et ne repellas me in finem.  
Quare faciem tuam avertis?  
Oblivisceris inopiae nostrae  
et tribulationis nostrae?

*Arise, why sleepest thou, O Lord?  
Arise, and cast me not off to the end.  
Why turnest thou face away?  
and forgottest our want  
and our trouble?*

*Words: Psalms 44:23-24*

*Music: William Byrd (1538-1623)*

## **Prayer after Communion**

*The president says.*

Let us pray.

*The congregation stands.*

**Almighty God,  
we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies  
to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory.  
Amen.**

*The congregation sits. Notices are given.*

## **Hymn**

*The congregation stands and sings*

<b>Hills of the North, rejoice, echoing songs arise, hail with united voice; him who made earth and skies. He comes in righteousness and love, he brings salvation from above.</b>	<b>2. Isles of the Southern seas, sing to the listening earth, carry on every breeze hope of a world's new birth: in Christ shall all be made anew, his word is sure, his promise true.</b>
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**3. Lands of the East, arise,  
he is your brightest morn.  
Greet him with joyous eyes,  
praise shall his path adorn:  
the God whom you have longed to know,  
in Christ draws near, and calls you now.**

**4. Shores of the utmost West,  
lands of the setting sun,  
welcome the heavenly guest  
in whom the dawn has come:  
he brings a never-ending light  
who triumphed o'er our darkest night.**

**5. Shout, as you journey on,  
songs be in every mouth,  
lo, from the North they come,  
from East and West and South:  
in Jesus all shall find their rest,  
in him the sons of earth be blest.**

*Words: Charles E. Oakley (1832-1865)*

*Tune: Little Cornard (Martin Shaw 1875-1958)*



## The Dismissal

### Blessing

*All remain standing. The president says*

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

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you,  
scatter the darkness from before your path,  
and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

### Dismissal

*The deacon says*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

### Organ Voluntary

Fantasia in G minor BWV542i - *J.S. Bach (1685-1750)*

*The ministers depart. The congregation sits and is invited to listen to the organ voluntary.*

## **For your prayers**

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

Sr Giovanna FSJM, Sarah, Susie Jacobs, Jeremy Symes, John Dobson, Chris, Carla Dix, Tracey Mansfield, Helen Hawkins, John Harris, Nikki Cann, Kimberley, Mike Shail, John Bowers, Patricia, Steve, Rosemary Henry, Tom, Joy Jones, John Marshman, Jeremy, Jonathan Bush

### **Those in long term sickness or need**

Malcolm Pomeroy, Philip Richardson, Paul Edmonds, Rosemarie, Ruth Heron, Pam Wilkie,

**Rest in peace:** Ben Citt, Jeanette Holland, Illya Nastase, Charles Edmonds

**Anniversaries of Death:** John Muddiman

**Readings next Sunday** (08 December 2024 10.00am Choral Eucharist, The Second Sunday of Advent): Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 3:1-6

## **Pastoral Care Team**

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**Christmas Wreaths handmade by the Cathedral Flower Arrangers** Order a traditional Christmas wreath (£35). These are available to collect from 10 December from the Cathedral or can be delivered locally. Please email [alisondavenport551@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:alisondavenport551@yahoo.co.uk) to register your order.

**Advent Procession:** TONIGHT, 6pm sung by the Cathedral Choir. All are welcome to attend.

## **Library and Archives Christmas In Focus: Picturing the Nativity**

Tuesday 10 December, drop in 1pm-3pm

For centuries, artists and printmakers have imagined the nativity of Jesus, based on accounts in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. Representations in art may focus on Mary and the infant Jesus, the annunciation of the shepherds or the adoration of the wise men while others combine several narratives in one image. Start your Christmas with some seasonal treasures from the Cathedral Library. **This event is included in standard Cathedral admission.**

### **The Exeter Nativity**

Sunday 15 December 2024, 4pm

Brought to you by the staff of Exeter Cathedral and their friends, the Exeter Nativity returns with a star-studded cast portraying all the well-known figures from the famous

Christmas story, as well as some lesser-known characters. However, the real stars of the evening are Harry and George, the llamas who dress up as very convincing, if slightly diminutive, camels.

The Exeter Nativity is for children, adults, and the young at heart of any age, and it is free to attend; however, we recommend booking in advance.

This event is generously sponsored by C Tax – Christians Together Across Exeter. Free tickets bookable at <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/exetercathedral/the-exeter-nativity/e-pqyrzm> or via the QR code



### **Lunchtime Carols**

Tuesday 17 and Thursday 19 December, 1–2pm in the Quire

**Grandisson service of lessons and carols:** Monday 23 and Tuesday 24

December at 6pm. Advance tickets are available to book from Wednesday 27 November via the Cathedral website.

### **In Conversation with Sue Wallace**

Sunday 12 January 2025, 6:30pm

January's In Conversation with topic will be Multi-sensory Prayer with Professor Sue Wallace. She will discuss why we started doing it, how it became popular, the prayerbooks, and what we found worked and didn't work.

All are welcome to attend.

## **A Study Course on the Gospel of John with The Revd Canon Professor**

**Richard A. Burridge**

**Wednesdays 15 January – 26 February, 2:30pm-4:30pm** in the Sacristy, The West Wing, Exeter Cathedral Library and Archives, Palace Gate, EX1 1HY; the course is also repeated on the same Wednesday evenings, **6.30-8.45pm** in the Baptist Church, 25 South Street, Exeter, EX1 1EB

Richard will lead a new seven-week course on **the Gospel of John**, which has been described as “**a book in which a child can paddle, but an elephant can swim deep**” – The Revd Canon Professor **Richard A. Burridge** is a recognised biblical scholar, ethicist, theologian and social commentator. He was Dean of King’s College London from 1993 to 2019. Richard devotes his time to research and writing, as well as his public ministry lecturing and undertaking theological training for clergy and lay people. His best-selling Four Gospels, One Jesus? has made biblical scholarship accessible to a wider audience, while his Commentary on John’s Gospel was adopted by Archbishop Rowan Williams as “one of the finest and most accessible of modern studies”, His academic scholarship on Jesus and the gospels, and his contribution to the life of the world-wide church, was recognised when he was awarded the 2013 Ratzinger Prize by Pope Francis, the first non-Roman Catholic to receive this prestigious prize. Please book your place by emailing Prof Burridge at [richard.burridge@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:richard.burridge@manchester.ac.uk), stating whether you wish to register for the afternoon or evening group, and if you want to attend in person or on line. You will then be sent further details.

### **An Evening with John Allan**

Wednesday 22 January 2025 at 7pm

**Spend an evening with Exeter Cathedral Archaeologist, John Allan in conversation with the Very Rev’d Jonathan Greener, Dean of Exeter.**

Learn more about John’s archaeological career and new book which explores the excavations of the Exeter Cathedral Cloister and Chapter House. Tickets: £15 bookable at <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/exetercathedral/an-evening-with-john-allan/e-dmxvbr> or via the QR code  
Proceeds will support the Exeter Cathedral Sound System Appeal.



## **Lent Course 2025: A Rule of Life: A Rule for My Life**

A short course commencing with a guided afternoon retreat on Ash Wednesday (5<sup>th</sup> March) in The Sacristy followed by three fortnightly meetings between 12.00 and 1.00 on 9<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> of March and 6<sup>th</sup> of April in the Richard Eyre Room. During this Lenten journey, we shall be giving time to exploring our relationship with God and giving practical tools on how we deepen our commitment to follow Christ every day of our lives.

To book a place, please contact [deborah.parsons@exeter-cathedral.org.uk](mailto:deborah.parsons@exeter-cathedral.org.uk) or [phil.wales@exeter-cathedral.org.uk](mailto:phil.wales@exeter-cathedral.org.uk)

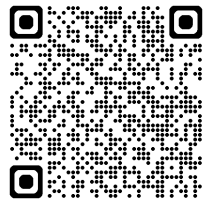
### **Exeter Cathedral Advent Series 2024**

#### **Words for the Word: Advent in prayers, psalms and preaching**

In this series of three talks Exeter Cathedral's three Canons Theologian are exploring some liturgical responses to the Advent and Christmas seasons. Come and join us for one or both of the remaining talks, as we learn about and reflect on some beautiful seasonal words for the Word!

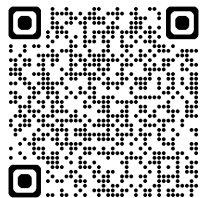
**Thursday 12 December, 7:30 – 9:00 pm**

**The Revd Canon Prof Sue Gillingham:** "Psalms 90-106: An Early Advent Hymn Book?" **Please book to be sent a link to the Zoom meeting:** <https://www.exeter-cathedral.org.uk/whats-on/events/psalms-90-106-an-early-advent-hymn-book/>



**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December, 7:30 – 9:00 pm**

**The Revd Canon Prof Morwenna Ludlow:** "Inventing Christmas: the First Sermons on the Nativity" **Please book to be sent a link to the Zoom meeting:** <https://www.exeter-cathedral.org.uk/whats-on/events/inventing-christmas-the-first-sermons-on-the-nativity/>





# Exeter Cathedral

## Sunday 01 December

## The First Sunday of Advent

8.00am	Holy Communion	Quire
	<i>BCP p47 for Collect, Epistle and Gospel (Trinity)</i>	
9.00am	Morning Prayer CW	St John the Baptist
10.00am	<b>Choral Eucharist CW Order 1</b>	Nave
	<i>Messe Solennelle Louis Vierne</i>	

4.00pm	Evening Prayer BCP	St John the Baptist
6.00pm	<b>The Advent Procession</b>	Nave

## Monday 02

8.15am	Morning Prayer CW	St John the Baptist
8.35am	The Eucharist CW	St John the Baptist
9.00am	Morning Prayer CW	www.zoom.us
12.30pm	Prayers for Healing	Cloister Garth room
5.30pm	<b>Choral Evensong BCP</b>	Quire
	<i>Jeremy Woodside in Fauxbourdon</i>	Responses
	<i>Adam lay y-bounden Boris Ord</i>	<i>Herbert Sumson</i>

## Tuesday 03

8.15am	Morning Prayer CW	St Petrock's
8.35am	The Eucharist CW	St Petrock's
9.00am	Morning Prayer CW	www.zoom.us
5.30pm	<b>Choral Evensong BCP</b>	Quire
	<i>Thomas Morley in Fauxbourdon</i>	Responses
	<i>A lender shoot Kerensa Briggs</i>	<i>Richard Shephard</i>

## Wednesday 04

8.15am	Morning Prayer CW	St Petrock's
8.35am	The Eucharist CW	St Petrock's
9.00am	Morning Prayer CW	www.zoom.us
1.15pm	The Eucharist CW	St Pancras
5.30pm	Evening Prayer BCP	St John the Baptist

# 01-08 December 2024

## Thursday 05

8.15am	Morning Prayer CW		St Petrock's
8.35am	The Eucharist CW		St Petrock's
9.00am	Morning Prayer CW		www.zoom.us
5.30pm	<b>Choral Evensong BCP</b>	Psalms 27-29	Quire
	<i>Thomas Tallis in the Dorian Mode</i>		Responses
	<i>I will lift up mine eyes Ernest Walker</i>		<i>Thomas Tallis</i>

## Friday 06

		Nicholas, bishop, c.326	
8.15am	Morning Prayer CW		St Petrock's
8.35am	The Eucharist CW		St Petrock's
9.00am	Morning Prayer CW		www.zoom.us
5.30pm	<b>Choral Evensong BCP</b>	Psalms 32-34	Quire
	<i>Short Service Jack Oades</i>		Responses
	<i>Be unto me, O Lord, a tower William Byrd</i>		<i>Thomas Tallis</i>

## Saturday 07

		Ambrose, bishop, teacher, 397	
8.15am	Morning Prayer CW		St John the Baptist
8.35am	The Eucharist CW		St John the Baptist

## Sunday 08

		The Second Sunday of Advent	
8.00am	Holy Communion BCP p49 for Collect, Epistle and Gospel		Quire
9.00am	Morning Prayer CW		St John the Baptist
			Baptist
10.00am	<b>Choral Eucharist CW Order 1</b>		Quire
	<i>Advent Prose</i>		
	<i>Mass for Three Voices William Byrd</i>		
	<i>Ave verum Gerald Hendrie</i>		
5.30pm	Evening Prayer		St John the Baptist

**Zoom Morning Prayer** Meeting ID: 996 3898 5011 Passcode: 1FopuR

The Very Revd Jonathan Greener – *Dean*

The Revd Canon James Mustard – *Canon Precentor* Timothy Noon – *Director of Music*



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# Christmas with *the Cathedral Choir*

**7, 10 and 12 December, 7pm-9pm at Exeter Cathedral**

A highlight of the festive season and a treat not to be missed, Christmas with the Cathedral Choir returns for 2024! Directed by Timothy Noon, Exeter Cathedral's Director of Music, and accompanied by organ music from Michael Stephens-Jones, Assistant Director of Music, enjoy the best choral music of the season with traditional carols and modern classics in the magnificent setting of Exeter Cathedral.

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