



Exeter
Cathedral

The Eucharist

Sunday 04 January 2026

10.00am

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 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.

Ministers

President: The Revd Philip Wales - *Priest Vicar*

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

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

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

Music

Mass Setting: Mass of St Thomas - *David Thorne*

Organist: Andrew Downton - *Singing Development Leader, Exeter Cathedral*

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Children's Activities:

Cloister Club is on its Christmas holiday. There will be children's activity sheets available at the back of the Cathedral so please help yourself. We look forward to Cloister Club returning shortly.

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.

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Organ music before the service

Order of service

The Gathering

Hymn

The congregation stands and 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.**

Acclamations at the Presentation of Gifts

The procession and altar party stop at the crib. The traditional gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh are offered.

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 hymn continues:

**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)

Greeting

The president says:

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.

Introduction

The president greets the congregation.

Invitation to Confession

The deacon says

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.

The congregation 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

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.

Gloria

The congregation stands and sings

ff

[Organ] Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the High-est.

6 *f*

Glo-ry to God in the High-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.

10

Lord God, Heav'n ly King, Al-migh-ty God and Fa-ther, we

14

wor ship you, we give you thanks, we_ praise you for your glo-ry.

18 *f*

Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the High-est.
Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the High-est.

22 *mf*

mf
Lord, Je-sus Christ, on-ly son of the Fa-ther. Lord God, Lamb of God, you

28

take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us; You are

32

sea-ted at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.

36 *f* *Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the High-est.*

Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the High - est.

40 *f*

For you a-lone are the Ho - ly one, You a - lone are the Lord,

44

You a - lone are the most high, Je - sus Christ,

47

with the Ho - ly Spi - rit in the Glo-ry of God the Fa - ther.

51 *ff* *Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the High-est.*

Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the High - est.

The Collect

The congregation remains standing as the president invites us to 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.

Hymn

The congregation stands and sings

Bethlehem, of noblest cities	3 By its lambent beauty guided
none can once with thee compare;	see the eastern kings appear;
thou alone the Lord from heaven	see them bend, their gifts to offer,
didst for us incarnate bear.	gifts of incense, gold and myrrh.
2 Fairer than the sun at morning	4 Solemn things of mystic meaning:
was the star that told his birth;	incense doth the God disclose,
to the lands their God announcing,	gold a royal child proclaimeth,
seen in fleshly form on earth.	myrrh a future tomb foreshows.
5 Holy Jesu, in thy brightness	
to the Gentile world displayed,	
with the Father and the Spirit	
endless praise to thee be paid. Amen.	

Words: Prudentius 348-c.413

Tr Edward Caswall (1814-1878)

Tune: Stuttgart (Harmonica Sacra c.1715)

Gospel Acclamation

The congregation turns to face the deacon.

The acclamation heralds the Gospel reading.

The cantor sings the Alleluia, then all repeat it.



The cantor sings:

Christ was revealed in flesh, proclaimed among the nations
and believed in throughout the world.

cf 1 Timothy 3.16

All sing the Alleluia.

Gospel Reading

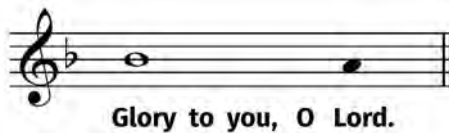
Matthew 2:1-12

The deacon says

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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



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

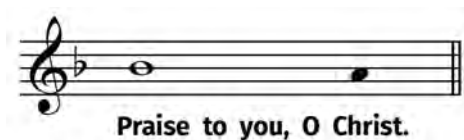
who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.’ When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be 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.



The congregation sits.

Sermon

The Revd Canon James Mustard - *Canon Precentor*

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.

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

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

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.

Offertory Collection

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Preparation of the Table

The altar is prepared and the congregation sings.

**Hail to the Lord's Anointed,
great David's greater Son!
hail, in the time appointed,
his reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression,
to set the captive free,
to take away transgression,
and rule in equity.**

**2. He comes with succour speedy
to those who suffer wrong;
to help the poor and needy,
and bid the weak be strong;
to give them songs for sighing,
their darkness turn to light,
Whose souls, condemned and dying,
were precious in his sight.**

**3. He shall come down like showers
upon the fruitful earth,
and love, joy, hope, like flowers,
spring in his path to birth:
before him on the mountains
shall peace, the herald, go;
and righteousness in fountains
from hill to valley flow.**

**4. Kings shall bow down before him,
and gold and incense bring;
all nations shall adore him,
his praise all people sing:
to him shall prayer unceasing
and daily vows ascend;
his kingdom still increasing,
a kingdom without end.**

**5. O'er every foe victorious,
he on his throne shall rest;
from age to age more glorious,
all-blessing and all-blest:
the tide of time shall never
his covenant remove;
his name shall stand for ever,
his changeless name of love.**

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854)

Tune: Crüger (W.H. Monk 1823-1889)

Prayer over the gifts

The congregation remains standing. The president says

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this bread to set before you,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

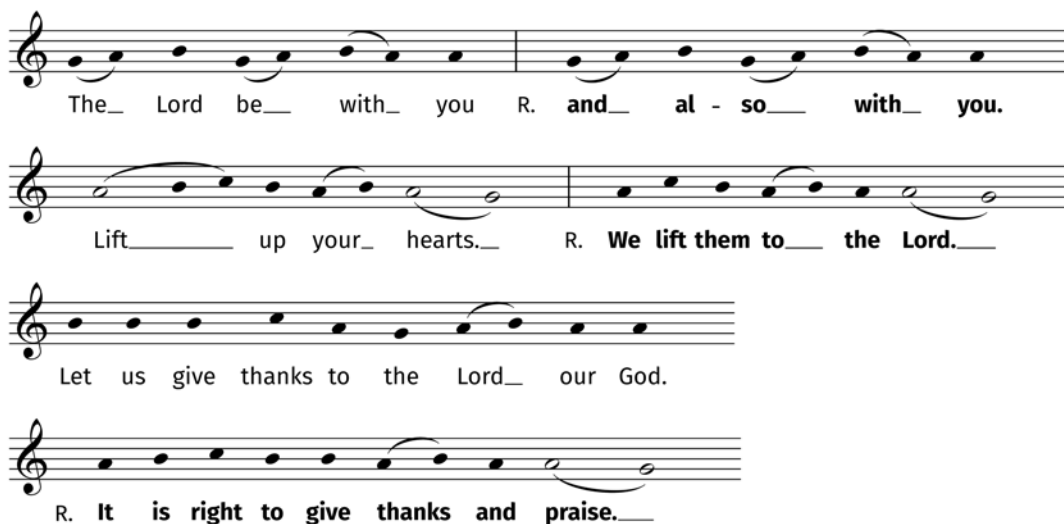
Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this wine to set before you,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

Blessed be God for ever.

Eucharistic Prayer

The president sings



The_ Lord be_ with_ you R. and_ al - so_ with_ you.

Lift_____ up your_ hearts. R. We lift them to_ the Lord._____

Let us give thanks to the Lord_ our God.

R. 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 congregation sings:

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef, 4/4 time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of po-wer and might, Hea-ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bles-sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The score includes dynamic markings: *mf* at the beginning, *f* after "Ho - san - na," and *ff* at the end. There are also triplets indicated by a '3' over a group of notes. An organ part is indicated by "[Organ]" in the first measure.

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 Boniface,
St Sidwell, 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 hold up this book to indicate that you wish to receive a blessing. Please do not dip the host in the wine. Gluten-Free hosts are available—simply say “gluten-free.”

Agnus Dei

The congregation sings

[Organ] *mp* Lamb of God, you

6 *mf* take a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy on us.

10 *mf* Lamb of God, you take a-way the

14 sin of the world, have mer-cy on us.

18 *mp* Lamb of God, *mf* Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the

22 God. *non rall.* *p* world, Grant us peace. 2

Hymn

*During the distribution of Holy Communion, the following hymn
is sung*

**As with gladness men of old
did the guiding star behold,
as with joy they hailed its light,
leading onward, beaming bright,
so, most gracious God, may we
evermore be led to thee.**

**3. As they offered gifts most rare
at that manger rude and bare,
so may we with holy joy,
pure, and free from sin's alloy,
all our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to thee our heavenly King.**

**2. As with joyful steps they sped,
to that lowly manger-bed,
there to bend the knee before
him whom heaven and earth adore,
so may we with willing feet
ever seek thy mercy-seat.**

**4. Holy Jesu, every day
keep us in the narrow way;
and, when earthly things are past,
bring our ransomed souls at last
where they need no star to guide,
where no clouds thy glory hide.**

**5. In the heavenly country bright
need they no created light;
thou its Light, its Joy, its Crown,
thou its Sun which goes not down:
there for ever may we sing
alleluyas to our King.**

Words: W. Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)

Tune: Dix, C. Kocher (1786-1872)

Prayer after Communion

The president says

Let us pray.

The congregation stands and says

**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.

The Dismissal

Blessing

The congregation stands. The president says

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Christ our Lord,
to whom kings bowed down in worship and offered gifts,
reveal to you his glory
and pour upon you the riches of his grace;
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.

Hymn

The congregation remains standing and sings

**O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness,
bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
with gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness,
kneel and adore him: the Lord is his name.**

**Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness:
high on his heart he will bear it for thee,
comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness,
guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.**

**Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness
of the poor wealth thou wouldst reckon as thine:
truth in its beauty, and love in its tenderness,
these are the offerings to lay on his shrine.**

**These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,
he will accept for the name that is dear;
mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,
trust for our trembling and hope for our fear.**

**O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness,
bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
with gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness,
kneel and adore him: the Lord is his name.**

Words: J.S. B. Monsell (1811-1875)

Tune: Was Lebet (Rheinhardt 1754)

Organ Voluntary

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

Tea and coffee are served in the South Transept following the service. All are welcome.

For your prayers

Those who are sick or in need:

Marion Newbery, Rachel, Ian Marfell, Sarah Huxtable, Rosemarie, Penny Endersby, Rosemary Henry, Olivia Parkinson, Sarah, Ann, John Bowers, John Massey, Nikki Cann, Jonathan Bush

Departed: Dallas Capsey, John Tanzley, Mariette Rogers, Mary Leary, Sue Parks, Mary Davenport, Jim Garrard

Anniversaries of Death: Peter Palmer, Timothy Shaw, Elsie Howell, Jean Jones, Arthur Hunt.

Readings next Sunday (11 January 2026 10am Choral Eucharist, The Baptism of Christ): Acts 10:34-43; Matthew 3:13-end

Pastoral Care Team

Members of the Pastoral Care Team are entrusted to visit the sick and the housebound with Communion. If you would like a member of the Pastoral Care Team to contact you, please email: pastoral.care@exeter-cathedral.org.uk

If you would like a conversation whether in joy or sorrow, please contact the Canon Chancellor, Canon Deborah Parsons: 07776359402

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Christmas Community Quiz Sheet

These are available from Sunday 14 December to take away and work your way through. Solve as many as you can, on your own, in a pair, or as a household, and submit your completed sheet for a chance to win the £30 cash prize.

Entries are £2 per sheet (proceeds to the Cathedral Sound System Appeal) and are available from the Cathedral Shop, card payments are accepted. The deadline for entries is Sunday 24th January 2026. We hope to announce the winner from Sunday 1st February. Completed sheets can be returned to the Cathedral Shop, or you can email a scanned copy to

jake_hibberd@hotmail.co.uk

Sundays@6.30pm: After consultation, with those leading the services, the decision has been made to stop the Sundays@6.30pm and the monthly Service of Healing and Wholeness. We will discern whether or not to resume these at some stage in the future. The “In conversation with...” series will continue in 2026.

In Conversation with Dr Bridget Gillard

Sunday 11 January | 6:30pm (refreshments served from 6pm)

Bridget Gillard tells Grace Costin’s story, highlighting her journey and the community she founded. After studying History of Art at the University of London, Dr Gillard worked and lectured in building conversation in London, Cornwall and Devon. Join us for a conversation followed by a short service of compline.

Funeral of Mary Leary: Monday 12 January at 11am in the Lady Chapel. All are welcome.

The Gospel of Matthew: A Study Course with the Revd Professor Richard A. Burrige

This course will take place at the Baptist Church, 25 South Street, Exeter, EX1 1EB (or online via Zoom) on Wednesdays, Jan 28–Feb 25 2026, between 2:30–4:30pm, and repeated between 6:30–8:45pm. Refreshments will be available. Please email: richard.burridge@manchester.ac.uk to register for either the afternoon or evening

Prideaux Lecture and clergy workshop 27th and 28th

February 2026

Professor Luke Bretherton, Regius Professor of Moral and Pastoral Theology, University of Oxford

Imago Dei, Political Economy, and the Commons

Lecture: Friday 27th February, 6:30pm, University of Exeter, Streatham Campus, Newman Purple Lecture Room. Drinks reception from 6pm. (Please register via the QR code at least 48 hours in advance if you wish to attend on-line.)

Clergy workshop: Saturday 28th February, 10am – 1pm, followed by a sandwich lunch. Law Library, Exeter Cathedral. Please register via the QR code if you wish to attend: places are limited to clergy, lay ministers, ordinands and those otherwise supporting Christian ministry in the South West.

The lecture argues that recovering the social practice of the *commons* offers both a theological and practical framework for addressing today's intertwined ecological and political crises. By reclaiming the commons—from parish gardens to digital networks and crown lands—we can cultivate forms of integral ecology that honour the dignity of persons, renew creation, and re-imagine institutions capable of sustaining a humane, hopeful, and democratic future.

The workshop on Saturday morning will pick up the same themes, with more time for discussion.

Installation of Canon Chris Palmer as Dean of Winchester – Coach Trip from Exeter to Winchester: Sunday 15 March 2026

The coach will depart Exeter at 10.15am from South Street arriving in time for the 3.00pm service at Winchester. We will return by coach at 5.30pm, arriving back in Exeter at approximately 8.30pm. Tickets cost £20 per person. Please do book quickly as spaces are limited. <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/exetercathedral/t-njovmka> or via the QR code



‘As our Saviour has taught us’: Lenten reflections on The Lord’s Prayer
Canons Theologian Sue Gillingham and Morwenna Ludlow reflect on the prayer which is central to Christian tradition. So as to be accessible to as many people as possible these talks will be on Zoom and they will be recorded.

‘New Light on Familiar Words’, Sue Gillingham. Thursday 19th March 2026, 7pm on Zoom:

Meeting ID: 976 8309 5249; Password: 946920

‘Pray in this way...’ Jesus says to his disciples before he offers them the words we now know as The Lord’s Prayer. Few, however, realize the depths of its Jewish roots: almost every phrase is found in the Hebrew Scriptures. By adding new insights, Sue will challenge your understanding of this extraordinary prayer and offer new ways in which you might ‘pray in this way’.

‘We are bold to say...’, Morwenna Ludlow. Thursday 26th March 2026, 7pm on Zoom.

Meeting ID: 985 5592 4126; Password: 584096

The Lord’s Prayer is introduced in Anglican liturgy with some traditional words ‘Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us’ or ‘As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us, we are bold to say’. What is meant by this idea of confidence or boldness and where did the phrases come from? Morwenna will turn to early teaching on the Lord’s Prayer to explore these words of introduction and to shed light on the familiar words of the prayer itself.



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Sunday 04

EPIPHANY

8.00am	Holy Communion <i>BCP p65 for Collect, Epistle and Gospel</i>	Quire
9.00am	Morning Prayer	St Gabriel Chapel
10.00am	The Eucharist <i>CW Order 1</i> Mass of St Thomas <i>David Thorne</i>	Quire
4.00pm	Congregational Evensong <i>BCP</i>	

Monday 5

8.15am	Morning Prayer <i>CW</i>	Quire
8.35am	The Eucharist <i>CW</i>	Quire
9.00am	Morning Prayer <i>CW</i>	www.zoom.us
12.30pm	Prayers for Healing	St Gabriel Chapel
5.30pm	Evening Prayer <i>BCP</i>	Lady Chapel

Tuesday 6

8.15am	Morning Prayer <i>CW</i>	Quire
8.35am	The Eucharist <i>CW</i>	Quire
9.00am	Zoom Morning Prayer <i>CW</i>	www.zoom.us
5.30pm	Evening Prayer <i>BCP</i>	Grandisson Chapel

Wednesday 7

8.15am	Morning Prayer <i>CW</i>	Quire
8.35am	The Eucharist <i>CW</i>	Quire
9.00am	Zoom Morning Prayer	www.zoom.us
1.15pm	The Eucharist <i>CW</i>	Lady Chapel
5.30pm	Evening Prayer <i>BCP</i>	Grandisson Chapel

CW – Common Worship, services and prayers for the Church of England (2000)

Zoom Morning Prayer: www.zoom.us Meeting ID: 99638985011, Passcode: 1FopuR

BCP – Book of Common Prayer (1662)

The Very Revd Jonathan Greener – *Dean*

04-11 January 2026

Thursday 8

8.15am	Morning Prayer CW	Quire
8.35am	The Eucharist CW	Quire
9.00am	Zoom Morning Prayer	www.zoom.us
4.00pm	Evening Prayer BCP	Lady Chapel

Friday 9

8.15am	Morning Prayer CW	Quire
8.35am	The Eucharist CW	Quire
9.00am	Zoom Morning Prayer	www.zoom.us
5.30pm	Evening Prayer BCP	Lady Chapel

Saturday 10

8.15am	Morning Prayer CW	Quire
8.35am	The Eucharist CW	Quire
4.00pm	Choral Evensong BCP Psalm 53	Quire
	<i>First Evensong of the Baptism of Christ</i>	
	Magnificat in D Herbert Sumson	Responses
	Nunc Dimittis in C George Dyson	William Smith
	A New Year Carol Benjamin Britten	

Sunday 11

THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST

8.00am	Holy Communion	Quire
	<i>BCP p67 for Collect, Epistle and Gospel</i>	
9.00am	Morning Prayer	St Gabriel Chapel
10.00am	Choral Eucharist CW Order 1	Quire
	O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit Thomas Tallis	
	Missa Papae Marcelli Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina	
	Tribus miraculis Claudio Merulo	
4.00pm	Choral Evensong BCP Psalms 46, 47	Quire
	The St Paul's Service Herbert Howells	Responses
	When Jesus our Lord Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy	William Smith
6.30pm	In Conversation with Bridget Gillard	Chapter House
The Revd Canon James Mustard – Canon Precentor		
Timothy Noon – Director of Music		

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Jonathan Greener'.

The Very Revd Jonathan Greener, Dean of Exeter

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