



Exeter
Cathedral

Choral Eucharist with Baptism

Sunday 20 September 2026

10.00am

THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

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AWAY WITH YOU

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 Reverend Canon James Mustard – *Canon Precentor*

Deacon: The Reverend Prebendary Nigel Guthrie – *Priest Vicar*

Subdeacon: The Reverend Canon Cate Edmonds – *Canon Steward*

Preacher: The Reverend Philip Wales – *Priest Vicar*

Music

Mass Setting: Missa Brevis in D, K. 194 – *Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart*

Conductor: Timothy Noon – *Director of Music*

Organist: Max Toth – *Organ Scholar*

Baptism Family

We welcome the Truscott family to the service this morning.

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

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Organ Music before the service

Voluntary in D minor - *John Stanley (1712-1786)*

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Order of Service

The Gathering

Introit

The congregation remains seated. The choir sings

Teach me thy way, O Lord and I will walk in thy truth. O knit my heart unto thee, that I may fear thy name. I will thank thee O Lord my God with all my heart, and will praise thy name for evermore. Amen.

Words: Psalm 86:11-12

Music: William Fox (d1579)

Hymn

The congregation stands and sings

**Light's abode, celestial Salem,
vision dear whence peace doth spring,
brighter than the heart can fancy,
mansion of the highest King;
O, how glorious are the praises
which of thee the prophets sing!**

**There for ever and for ever
alleluya is outpoured;
for unending, for unbroken
is the feast-day of the Lord;
all is pure and all is holy
that within thy walls is stored.**

**There no cloud nor passing vapour
dims the brightness of the air;
endless noon-day, glorious noon-day,
from the Sun of suns is there;
there no night brings rest from labour,
there unknown are toil and care.**

**Now with gladness, now with courage,
bear the burden on thee laid,
that hereafter these thy labours
may with endless gifts be paid,
and in everlasting glory
thou with joy may'st be arrayed.**

**Laud and honour to the Father,
laud and honour to the Son,
laud and honour to the Spirit,
ever Three and ever One,
one in love, and One in splendour,
while unending ages run. Amen.**

Words: Latin, 15th century

Tr J.M. Neale (1818-1866)

Tune: Regent Square, Henry Smart (1818-1879)

Greeting

The president says:

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

Amen.

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Introduction

The president greets the congregation. The Cloister Club leader gathers the children around the banner. 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.**

Invitation to Confession

The deacon says

My brothers and sisters, as we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ in word and sacrament, let us call to mind and confess our sins.

The congregation remains standing.

**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 in Excelsis

The congregation remains standing. The choir sings

Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.
Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te.
Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam,
Domine Deus, Rex coelestis Deus Pater omnipotens.
Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe. Domine Deus,
Agnus Dei, filius Patris, Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram.

Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis.
Quoniam tu solus sanctus. Tu solus Dominus.
Tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe.
cum sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

*Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ: O Lord God,
Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost, art the Most High, in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.*

The Collect

The congregation remains standing as the president invites us to pray

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers
of your people who call upon you;
and grant that they may both perceive and know
what things they ought to do,
and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them;
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

Philippians 1.21-30

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well - since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn

The congregation stands and sings

**Teach me, my God and King,
in all things thee to see;
and what I do in anything
to do it as for thee!**

**A man that looks on glass,
on it may stay his eye;
or if he pleaseth, through it pass,
and then the heaven espy.**

**All may of thee partake;
nothing can be so mean,
which with this tincture, 'for thy sake',
will not grow bright and clean.**

**A servant with this clause
makes drudgery divine;
who sweeps a room, as for thy laws,
makes that and the action fine.**

**This is the famous stone
that turneth all to gold;
for that which God doth touch and own
cannot for less be told.**

Words: George Herbert (1593-1633)

Tune: Sandys, from Christmas Carols (1833)

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:

Ye that fear the Lord, put your trust in the Lord: he is their helper, and defender.

All sing the Alleluia.

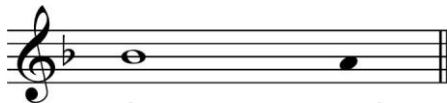
Gospel Reading

Matthew 20:1-16

The deacon says

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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



Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for a denarius for the day, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around, and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received a denarius. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received a denarius. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to you, O Christ.

The congregation sits.

Sermon

The Reverend Philip Wales – *Priest Vicar*

The Liturgy of Baptism

Presentation of the Candidate

The candidate is presented to the congregation.

They are presented by their godparents or sponsors.

The president addresses the whole congregation

Faith is the gift of God to his people.

In baptism the Lord is adding to our number those whom he is calling.

People of God, will you welcome this child

and uphold him in their new life in Christ?

With the help of God, we will.

The president says to the parents and godparents

Parents and godparents, the Church receives this child with joy.

Today we are trusting God for their growth in faith.

Will you pray for them, draw them by your example into the community of faith and walk with them in the way of Christ?

With the help of God, we will.

In baptism this child begins their journey in faith.

You speak for them today.

Will you care for them, and help them to take their place within the life and worship of Christ's Church?

With the help of God, we will.

The Decision

The Paschal candle is lit. The president addresses the candidate through their parents and godparents.

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light.
To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him.
Therefore I ask:

Do you reject the devil and all rebellion against God?
I reject them.

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?
I renounce them.

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?
I repent of them.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?
I turn to Christ.

Do you submit to Christ as Lord?
I submit to Christ.

Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the life?
I come to Christ.

Signing with the Cross

The president makes the sign of the cross on the forehead of the candidate, saying

Christ claims you for his own.
Receive the sign of his cross.

The president says

Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

**Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ
against sin, the world and the devil,
and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness,
restore in you the image of his glory,
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.

Amen.

Prayer over the Water

The organist plays. The president, baptismal candidate, parents and godparents proceed to the baptismal font. The congregation is invited to gather with the baptismal party.

The president stands before the water of baptism and says

Praise God who made heaven and earth,
who keeps his promise for ever.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

We thank you, almighty God, for the gift of water
to sustain, refresh and cleanse all life.
Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation.
Through water you led the children of Israel
from slavery in Egypt to freedom in the Promised Land.

In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John
and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ,
to lead us from the death of sin to newness of life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism.

In it we are buried with Christ in his death.

By it we share in his resurrection.

Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.

Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son,
we baptize into his fellowship those who come to him in faith.
Now sanctify this water that, by the power of your Holy Spirit,
they may be cleansed from sin and born again.

Renewed in your image, may they walk by the light of faith
and continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Lord;
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
be all honour and glory, now and for ever.

Amen.

Profession of Faith

The president addresses the congregation

Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess together with these candidates the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

Baptism

The president pours water on the candidate, saying

Piran, I baptize you
in the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The president says

You have been clothed with Christ.
As many as are baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

The president says

May God, who has received you by baptism into his Church,
pour upon you the riches of his grace,
that within the company of Christ's pilgrim people
you may daily be renewed by his anointing Spirit,
and come to the inheritance of the saints in glory.
Amen.

The Welcome

The president says

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
Piran, by one Spirit we are all baptized into one body.
**We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;
we are children of the same heavenly Father;
we welcome you.**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The congregation stands. The president says

We are all one in Christ Jesus.
We belong to him through faith,
heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.
The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Offertory Collection

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Preparation of the Table

The clergy return from the Nave font. The altar is prepared and the congregation sings.

**All my hope on God is founded;
he doth still my trust renew.
Me through change and chance he guideth,
only good and only true.
God unknown,
he alone
calls my heart to be his own.**

**Pride of man and earthly glory,
sword and crown betray his trust;
what with care and toil he buildeth,
tower and temple, fall to dust
but God's power,
hour by hour,
is my temple and my tower.**

**God's great goodness aye endureth,
deep his wisdom, passing thought:
splendour, light and life attend him,
beauty springeth out of naught.
Evermore
from his store
new-born worlds rise and adore.**

Daily doth th'Almighty giver
bounteous gifts on us bestow;
his desire our soul delighteth,
pleasure leads us where we go.
Love doth stand
at his hand;
joy doth wait on his command.

Still from man to God eternal
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of Christ his Son.
Christ doth call
one and all:
ye who follow shall not fall.

Words: Robert Bridges (1844-1930)

based on the German of J.Neander (1650-1680)

Tune: Michael, Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

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.



The Lord is here. *R* His Spi-rit is with us.



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.

Father, you made the world and love your creation.
You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour.
His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death.
And so we gladly thank you,
with saints and angels praising you, and singing:

The choir sings:

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

*Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

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 Paul,
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 choir sings

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

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

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

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

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

Anthem

The choir sings

Ave verum Corpus, natum

De Maria Virgine,

Vere passum, immolatum

In cruce pro homine:

Cuius latus perforatum

Unda fluxit et sanguine,

Esto nobis praegustatum

In mortis examine.

Hail the true body,

born of the Virgin Mary:

You who truly suffered

and were sacrificed on the cross

for the sake of man:

From whose pierced side flowed water and blood:

Be a foretaste for us

in the trial of death.

Words: 14th century

Music: Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

Prayer after Communion

The congregation stands. The president says
Let us pray.

Almighty God,
you have taught us through your Son
that love is the fulfilling of the law:
grant that we may love you with our whole heart
and our neighbours as ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

All say

**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.

Giving of a Lighted Candle

The president gives the newly baptized a lighted candle. The president says

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and has given us a place with the saints in light.
You have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.
**Shine as a light in the world
to the glory of God the Father.**

Hymn

The congregation stands and sings

**Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty,
hold me with thy powerful hand:
bread of heaven,
feed me till I want no more.**

**Open now the crystal fountain
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield.**

**When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's Destruction
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs of praises
I will ever give to thee.**

Words: Welsh, William Williams (1717-1791)

Tr Peter Williams (1727-1796) and others

Tune: Cwm Rhondda, John Hughes (1873-1932)

The Dismissal Blessing

The congregation remains standing. The president says

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of
God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
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

Fugue in G, BWV 541 - J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

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

For your prayers

Please pray for those in academic higher education who have been given notice that their jobs are under risk of redundancy.

Those who are sick or in need:

Tahleya, Margaret Cowling, John Bowers, Theo, Steve, Barbara Jackson, Richard, Paul Morgan, Ruth Bennett, Beryl Elliott, Peter Vincent-Smith, Ann, Jonathan Macdonald, Jason Groves, Penelope, Marion Newbery, Penny Endersby, Olivia Parkinson, Sarah, John Bowers, Jonathan Bush.

Departed: Janette Rawlings, Brian Phillips, David Maughfling,

Anniversary of death: Edward Helmsley, Barbara Parry, Brian Perry

Notices

Welcome chorister families and new congregants: we are delighted to welcome you to the Cathedral. Please sign up for our weekly e-newsletter at <https://www.exeter-cathedral.org.uk/newsletter-signup/> or via the QR code.



Welcome Students! We are delighted that you have joined us this morning. You are invited to take away a voucher that will entitle you to complimentary refreshments in our Chapter House Café at any time from after this service until 26 September. Please see one of the clergy afterwards for a voucher and they will be delighted to tell you about our opportunities volunteering and fellowship including our young people's WhatsApp group.

Readings for 10am Choral Eucharist next Sunday

(27th September: St Michael, Hebrews 1:5-end, John 1:47-end)

Volunteer Vacancies: there are current vacancies for virgers, Flower Arrangers, Cathedral Fabric Advisory Committee and Education Volunteers. Please see <https://www.exeter-cathedral.org.uk/support-us/volunteerwith-us/> for further information or scan the QR code.



Half Price Sundays

Available until the end of September 2026

Offer ends end of September 2026. We look forward to welcoming you!

**Offer applies to day visitors only and not group bookings.*

Project Update

Investing In Our Welcome: Light & Sound Renewal

From Monday 5 October:

- Weekday Morning Prayer (8:15am) and Eucharist (8:35am) will take place in St Petrock's Church (Monday to Friday).
- Eucharist on Wednesdays at 1:15pm will take place at St Pancras.
- Evensong, Evening Prayer and weekend services will continue in the Cathedral.
- The monthly services of Prayers for Healing and the Contemplative Prayer group will continue in their current location.

MSE Group is working in collaboration with our programme of worship and events and will be working behind the scenes through Advent and Christmas to enable a full pattern of services and events to take place.

If you have any questions about the project, please email Heather Horsley and Hilary Dawson.

This project is generously funded by The Friends of Exeter Cathedral

Library & Archives In Focus – The West Front

Tuesday 22 September 2026, Drop in 1pm-3pm,

Library & Archives Reading Room

Come along to this pop-up exhibition to explore some of the stories behind these time-worn carvings of kings, saints, angels and more, as shown through historic books and documents from the Cathedral Library & Archives.

This is a free drop-in event; no booking is required.

The Merry Wives of Windsor

23, 24, 25 & 26 September 2026, 7:30pm – 10pm

Sir John Falstaff, attempts to seduce not one, but two wives of Windsor. The ensuing mayhem is exacerbated by a subplot in which the daughter of one of the wives, Anne Page, is assailed by several unsuitable suitors. The climax takes place in the countryside outside Windsor Castle with Falstaff convinced he is being tormented by a troupe of fairies, at the end of which several people have learnt valuable lessons – not all of them pleasant.

Tickets bookable via <https://www.ticketsource.com/exetercathedral/e-bpymdo> or via the QR code.



Growing in Prayer – Pop-up Prayer Taster Sessions

How do we grow in prayer? Is your prayer life in a rut? Would you like to experience different ways of praying?

If you are curious about any of these questions, why not join me on: 27 September, 11 October & 25 October from 11.45-12.45 pm in the Medieval Law Library. To book a place or to learn more about the sessions, please speak to the Canon Chancellor or email her at: deborah.parsons@exeter-cathedral.org.uk

Spotlight on... The Exeter Book

Monday 28 September, Two sessions: 11am-12:30pm & 2pm-3:30pm,

Exeter Cathedral Treasures Exhibition

Join our Cathedral Librarian, Emma Laws, for an encounter with one of the world's remarkable medieval manuscripts. *Places are limited; booking is essential.* **Tickets:** £20pp bookable via the QR code or <https://www.ticketsource.com/exetercathedral/e-jzorbl>



Postcards

Thursday 1 October 2026 | 11am-12pm & 5:30-6:30pm | Library & Archives

Enjoy seeing a selection of vintage postcards from the Cathedral Archives, then design and write your own to send to a loved one. Includes an Exeter Cathedral postcard, a blank postcard, and a UK postage stamp. **Tickets:** £10pp bookable at

<https://www.ticketsource.com/exetercathedral/e-yrlyak> or via the QR code



Harvest Supper 2nd October at 7pm

The Harvest Supper will be held in the Medieval Hall on Friday 2nd October at 7pm. Come and celebrate and enjoy a light supper, wine or soft drinks, and a musical entertainment devised by Tina Guthrie. Numbers are limited so do book soon! Tickets £10 available online or in person after the Choral Eucharist on 20 and 27 September.

Freedom of Religion in a Secular World,

Posbury St Francis/EXCEPT lecture 2026

Professor Mark Hill KC, Professor of Law, University of Notre Dame, London Chancellor of the Dioceses of Chichester, Leeds and Europe

Monday 5 October, 6pm (with drinks from 5.30pm),

Harrison Building Lecture Theatre 004,

University of Exeter (Streatham Campus)

Please register your attendance via Eventbrite **by 30th September** (you can register to attend in person or to join the lecture remotely via MS Teams).

Professor Mark Hill KC will examine the importance of freedom of religion in the current age. This year's lecture will consider perceived threats to religious liberty: are they illusory or real? Professor Mark Hill KC practises at the Bar in London and for the past eight years has been Vice President of the International Consortium for Law and Religion Studies.

Welcome lunch for young people: Sunday 11 October following the 10am Choral Eucharist at No 6 Cathedral Close.

Cathedral Music Trust: Autumn National Gathering 2026

Friday 9 – Sunday 11 October 2026 | Exeter Cathedral &

Buckfast Abbey

The Gathering will begin here on Friday 9 October, with an opportunity to explore the site with experienced guides.

Discover the Cathedral choir, chamber choir, youth and junior choirs, as well as its outreach programme. There will also be the opportunity to visit the brand-new Treasures exhibition. Following the tours learn more and hear the Grand Organ, followed by a Devon cream tea before attending Choral Evensong.

Following Evensong, there will be a drinks reception with an opportunity to meet members of the choir, the music department.

On Saturday morning, visit Buckfast Abbey via coach. There will be a welcome by the Master of Music followed by a talk on the Abbey and its music before exploring the gardens. Attend Choral Mass at lunchtime before enjoying a finger buffet in the Conference Centre. The afternoon will include a tour of the Abbey, a recital and demonstration of the organ built by the Italian organ builder Fratelli Ruffatti followed by tea and a return to Exeter in time for Choral Evensong. After Evensong at the Cathedral, walk across to the Mercure Exeter Southgate Hotel for a Gala Dinner. The after-dinner speakers will be Professor Peter Toyne and his son, former Exeter chorister and now Cathedral Music Trust Trustee, Simon Toyne, both with many connections to Exeter.”

Tickets bookable via <https://www.cathedralmusictrust.org.uk/events/exeter-buckfast-gathering/> or via the QR code



Exeter Cathedral Autumn Fair 2026

Journey into the new season at this year's Autumn Fair in the Nave on Tuesday 13 October and Wednesday 14 October.

Support a diverse line-up of small local businesses. Discover delicious artisan food and drink, handcrafted jewellery and clothing, stoneware, ceramics, handmade crafts and much more! Entrance to the Cathedral is FREE during the Autumn Fair.

Need a break from shopping? Enjoy delicious ethically-sourced refreshments from our Café, or a free glass of mulled wine.*

**Please note, to redeem your free glass of mulled wine you will need to have a free pre-booked adult ticket.*

Tickets bookable at <https://www.ticketsource.com/exetercathedral/e-olblbp> or via the QR code



A Friendly Introduction to Palaeography: Reading 15th & 16th Century Royal Letters

Wednesday 14 October 2026 | 2pm-4:30pm | Cathedral Library & Archives

This workshop is a chance to find out about royal correspondence in the Cathedral Archives and have a go at reading and transcribing real letters from Margaret of Anjou, Henry VII and others.

Suitable for adults with an interest in understanding and reading historical documents, but with little or no practical experience.

Places are limited; booking is essential.

Tickets: £20 bookable at <https://www.ticketsource.com/exetercathedral/t-aayylne> or via the QR code



Exeter Cathedral Photography Exhibition 2026 – Competition Finalists

Friday 16 October – Saturday 31 October 2026 | Inside Exeter Cathedral, by The Lady Chapel

This October, all are welcome to experience the stunning winning photographs of the Exeter Cathedral Photography Competition 2026.

Throughout August, photographers of all ages and abilities were invited to step inside Exeter Cathedral and capture the beauty of its interior for the chance to win over £200 in prizes and an exhibition feature. The competition welcomed colour photographs, black and white photographs, and photographs taken by budding creatives aged 11-18. Individuals travelled from all over England to take part and find one of three winning photographs. On the judging panel is Emma Solley – acclaimed Devon-based photographer, The Very Revd Stephen Waine – The Dean of Exeter, and Jacob Hilton – Marketing Manager at Exeter Cathedral. This competition has been generously supported by: London Camera Exchange (Exeter Store), Exeter College, The Guildhall Shopping Centre, Hotel Indigo Exeter, InExeter, Princesshay Exeter, John Lewis
This exhibition is included in standard Cathedral admission

Trafalgar Day Service

Sunday 18 October 2026 | 11:45am | Exeter Cathedral

Do join us for Exeter Flotilla's 52nd service to commemorate the Battle of Trafalgar. This service is free to attend; no booking is required

Sunday 20

THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am	Holy Communion <i>BCP p182 for Collect, Epistle and Gospel</i>	Quire
9.00am	Morning Prayer <i>CW</i>	St Gabriel Chapel
10.00am	Choral Eucharist <i>CW Order 1</i>	Nave
	Teach me thy way, O Lord <i>William Fox</i>	
	Missa Brevis in D, K. 194 <i>Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart</i>	
	Ave verum <i>Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart</i>	
4.00pm	Choral Evensong <i>BCP</i>	Psalm 119 (113-136) Quire
	Edmund Rubbra in A flat	Responses
	O Lorde, the maker of al thing – John Joubert	<i>William Smith</i>
		Hymns 456, 208
		NEH

Monday 21

St Matthew

8.15am	Morning Prayer <i>CW</i>	Lady Chapel
8.35am	The Eucharist <i>CW</i>	Lady Chapel
9.00am	Morning Prayer <i>CW</i>	www.zoom.us
12.30pm	Prayers for Wholeness and Healing	St Gabriel Chapel
5.30pm	Solemn Choral Evensong <i>BCP</i>	Psalm 106 Quire
	<i>Thomas Tertius Noble</i> in B minor	Responses
	Give us the wings of faith <i>Ernest Bullock</i>	<i>William Smith</i>
		Office Hymn 189
		NEH

Tuesday 22

8.15am	Morning Prayer <i>CW</i>	Lady Chapel
8.35am	The Eucharist <i>CW</i>	Lady Chapel
9.00am	Morning Prayer <i>CW</i>	www.zoom.us
5.30pm	Choral Evensong <i>BCP</i>	Psalms 108, 109 Quire
	<i>Stanley Vann</i> in E minor	Responses
	O come, let us sing unto the Lord <i>Anthony Piccolo</i>	<i>John Sanders</i>

Wednesday 23

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

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

Zoom Morning Prayer: [www.zoom.us](https://www.zoom.us/j/99638985011) Meeting ID: 99638985011, Passcode: 1F0puR

BCP – Book of Common Prayer (1662)

The Very Revd Stephen Waine – *Interim Dean*

The Revd Canon James Mustard – *Precentor*

Timothy Noon – *Director of Music*

Thursday 24

8.15am	Morning Prayer CW	Lady Chapel
8.35am	The Eucharist CW	Lady Chapel
9.00am	Morning Prayer CW	www.zoom.us
5.30pm	Choral Evensong BCP Psalm 119 (1-32) The Trinity Fauxbourdons <i>Owain Park</i> Geistliches Lied <i>Johannes Brahms</i>	Quire Responses <i>Humphrey Clucas</i>

Friday 25

	Lancelot Andrewes, bishop, spiritual writer, 1626	
8.15am	Morning Prayer CW	Lady Chapel
8.35am	The Eucharist CW	Lady Chapel
9.00am	Morning Prayer CW	www.zoom.us
5.30pm	Choral Evensong BCP Psalm 119 (73-104) The Truro Service <i>Gabriel Jackson</i> I will lift up mine eyes <i>Philip Ledger</i>	Quire Responses <i>John Sanders</i>

Saturday 26

8.15am	Morning Prayer CW	Lady Chapel
8.35am	The Eucharist CW	Lady Chapel
5.30pm	Choral Evensong BCP Psalm 119 (145-end) <i>Charles Villiers Stanford</i> in G My soul, there is a country – <i>Charles Hubert Hastings Parry</i>	Quire Responses <i>John Sanders</i> Hymn 478 NEH

Sunday 27

ST MICHAEL

8.00am	Holy Communion BCP p227 for Collect, Epistle and Gospel	Quire
9.00am	Morning Prayer CW	St Gabriel Chapel
10.00am	Choral Eucharist CW Order 1 The Call <i>Richard Lloyd</i> Missa Brevis <i>Lennox Berkeley</i> Tantum ergo <i>Déodat de Séverac</i>	Nave
4.00pm	Choral Evensong BCP Psalm 124 The Gloucester Service <i>Herbert Howells</i> Abendlied <i>Josef Rheinberger</i>	Quire Responses <i>John Sanders</i> Hymns 190ii, 475 NEH

23-26 Sept

The Cathedral Players
7:30pm - 10pm

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