Exeter Cathedral

Choral Eucharist

Sunday 08 November 2026
10.00am

THE THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE 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.

Ministers

President: The Reverend Canon James Mustard – *Canon Precentor*
Deacon: The Venerable Hilary Dawson – *Canon Treasurer*
Subdeacon: The Reverend Canon Ian Morter – *Priest Vicar*
Preacher: The Reverend Canon Deborah Parsons – *Canon Chancellor*

Music

Mass Setting: Collegium Regale – *Herbert Howells*
Conductor: Timothy Noon – *Director of Music*
Organist: Max Toth – *Organ Scholar*
Trumpet for Last Post and Reveille: Mike Brewer – *Cathedral Safeguarding Officer*

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 near the Bishop's Throne in the Quire 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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Mike Brewer - *Cathedral Safeguarding Officer - 07482 312299*
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Organ Music before the service

Cantabile in F - *Enrico Pasini (1935-2022)*

Order of Service

The Gathering

Introit

The congregation remains seated. The choir sings

They shall grow not old,
as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them,
nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun,
and in the morning,
we will remember them.

Text: Laurence Binyon (1869-1943)
Music: Douglas Guest (1916-1996)

Hymn

The congregation stands and sings

All people that on earth do dwell,
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,
come ye before him, and rejoice.

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed,
without our aid he did us make;
we are his folk, he doth us feed,
and for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise,
approach with joy his courts unto;
praise, laud, and bless his name always,
for it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord our God is good:
his mercy is for ever sure;
his truth at all times firmly stood,
and shall from age to age endure.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
the God whom heaven and earth adore,
from men and from the Angel-host
be praise and glory evermore. Amen.

Words: William Kethe (d1594)
Tune: Old Hundredth, Genevan Psalter (1551)

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

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

Let us pray that we may be strengthened by our communion with all the saints.

Almighty Father,
whose will is to restore all things
in your beloved Son, the King of all:
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,
and bring the families of the nations,
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;
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

Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-16
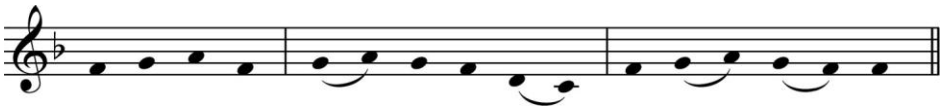
A reading from the book of Wisdom.

Wisdom is radiant and unfading, and she is easily discerned by those who love her, and is found by those who seek her. She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her. One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty, for she will be found sitting at the gate. To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding, and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care, because she goes about seeking those worthy of her, and she graciously appears to them in their paths, and meets them in every thought.

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

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



The cantor sings:

He maketh peace in thy borders: and filleth thee with the flour of wheat.

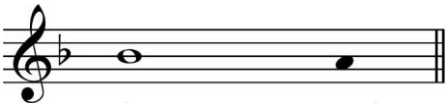
All sing the Alleluia.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 25:1-13

The deacon says
The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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

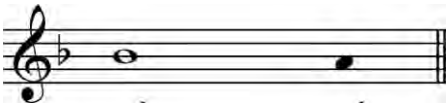


Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus spoke this parable to the disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten young women took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those young women got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet, and the door was shut. Later the

other young women came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to you, O Christ.

The congregation sits.

Sermon

The Reverend Canon Deborah Parsons – *Canon Chancellor*

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

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 altar is prepared and the congregation sings.

And now, O Father, mindful of the love
that bought us, once for all, on Calvary's tree,
and having with us him that pleads above,
we here present, we here spread forth to thee
that only offering perfect in thine eyes,
the one true, pure, immortal sacrifice.

Look, Father, look on his anointed face,
and only look on us as found in him;
look not on our misusings of thy grace,
our prayer so languid, and our faith so dim;
for lo, between our sins and their reward
we set the passion of thy Son our Lord.

And then for those, our dearest and our best,
by this prevailing presence we appeal;
O fold them closer to thy mercy's breast,
O do thine utmost for their souls' true weal;
from tainting mischief keep them white and clear
and crown thy gifts with grace to persevere.

And so we come: O draw us to thy feet
most patient Saviour, who canst love us still;
and by this food, so aweful and so sweet,
deliver us from every touch of ill:
in thine own service make us glad and free,
and grant us nevermore to part from thee.

Words: William Turton (1856-1938)
Tune: Song 1, Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

Prayer over the gifts
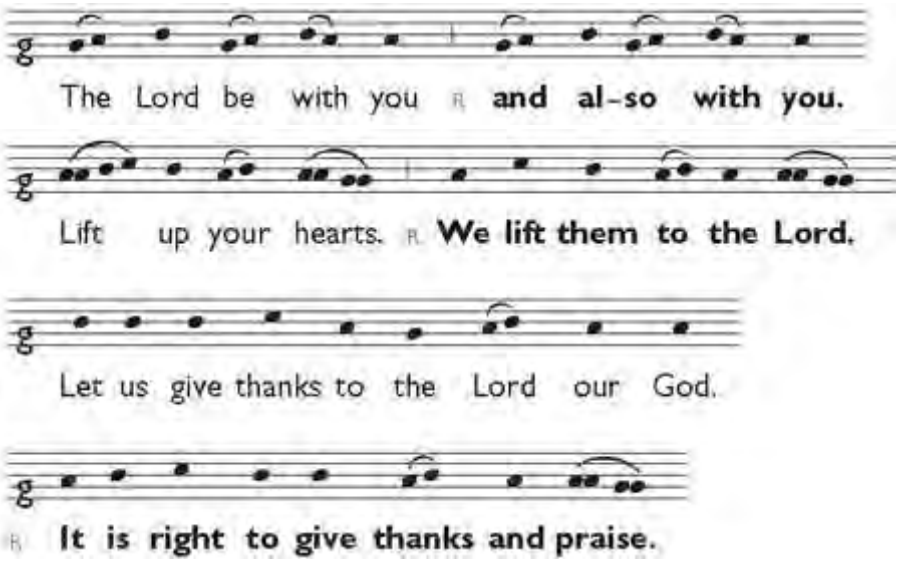
The congregation remains standing. The president says

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



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:

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

The president continues:
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. 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

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

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

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

Anthem

The choir sings

Justorum Animae in manu Dei sunt,
et non tanget illos tormentum.
Visi sunt omnium insipientae mori;
illi autem sunt in pace.

But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,
and there shall no torment touch them.
In the sight of the unwise they seemed to die,
but they are in peace.

Words: Wisdom of Solomon 3
Music: Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Prayer after Communion

The congregation stands. The president says
Let us pray.

God of peace,
whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom
and restored the broken to wholeness of life:
look with compassion on the anguish of the world,
and by your healing power
make whole both people and nations;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
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.

Act of Remembrance

Hymn

The congregation stands and sings

I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above,
entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love:
the love that asks no question, the love that stands the test,
that lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;
the love that never falters, the love that pays the price,
the love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

And there's another country, I've heard of long ago,
most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know;
we may not count her armies, we may not see her King;
her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering;
and soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase, and
her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are peace.

Words: Cecil Spring-Rice (1859-1918)
Tune: Thaxted (Gustav Holst 1874-1934)

The congregation remains standing. The president says:

God is our refuge and strength; a very present help in trouble.
Psalm 46:1

Dear Brothers and Sisters, we meet in the presence of God, the Shepherd of souls, and giver of life everlasting. As we gather in this place of remembrance, let us commemorate and commend to the loving mercy of our heavenly Father those who have given their lives in war for our country and its cause. We commit ourselves to work for reconciliation between the nations, that all people may, together, live in freedom, justice and peace.

The Deacon says

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun, and in the morning,
we will remember them.
We will remember them.

The Last Post is played. The two minutes' silence is kept followed by the Reveille. At the conclusion of the silence, the Deacon says

When you go home tell them of us and say
For your tomorrow, we gave our today.

The president says
Let us pray.
God our Father, as on this day we remember with gratitude those who died in time of war, so also we remember with compassion those who still suffer as the result of war: the bereaved, the lonely, the disabled, and the mentally ill. O God of love, comfort their hearts, uphold their faith, and give them peace, for Jesus Christ's sake.
Amen.

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.

The National Anthem

God save our gracious King!
Long live our noble King!
God save The King!
Send him victorious,
happy and glorious,
long to reign over us,
God save The King.

Thy choicest gifts in store
on him be pleased to pour,
long may he reign:
May he defend our laws,
and ever give us cause
to sing with heart and voice
God save The King!

Organ Voluntary

Elegy – *Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918)*

The clergy proceed to the County War Memorial via the Great West Doors. The congregation are welcome to join the clergy procession to the War Memorial.

At the Memorial the president says

We remember before you, O Lord, and entrust to your keeping, all those who have died in defence of justice and freedom.

A wreath will then be laid at the Memorial.

The president says

Let us pray

Almighty God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, by death or by life: hear our prayers and thanksgivings for those whom we remember this day. Fulfil in them the purpose of your love; and bring us, with them, to your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord
And let light perpetual shine upon them.

Let us go forth in peace.
Thanks be to God.

The clergy return to the Cathedral.

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

For your prayers

Those who are sick or in need:
Chris Boynes, Harry Carnell, (Bishop) Graham James, Elias Konyalian, Maro Konyalian, Oliver Andrea, Natalie Moyse, Joe Prince, Tahleya, John Bowers, Steve, Beryl Elliott, Peter Vincent-Smith, Ann, Jonathan Macdonald, Jason Groves, Penelope, Marion Newbery, Penny Endersby, Olivia Parkinson, Sarah, Jonathan Bush
Departed: Clarice Bentley
Anniversaries of Death: Mary Leary, Jean Weeks

Notices

Readings for 10am Choral Eucharist next Sunday
(15th November; The Second Sunday before Advent, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-30)

Choral Evensong during the Christmas Market: entry to the Cathedral will be via the Cloister Garden.

Project Update
Investing In Our Welcome: Light & Sound Renewal
The contractor team (MSE) have completed the high-level cleaning in the Nave and the MEWP has been safely stored away in the North Transept. We are pleased to report that this has been completed ahead of schedule.

MSE are now working in the roof voids and on the distribution boards in the South Transept, so you may see a cordon here from time to time.
Please note...

- Weekday Morning Prayer (8:15am) and Eucharist (8:35am) are taking place in St Petrock's Church (Monday to Friday).
- Eucharist on Wednesdays at 1:15pm is taking place at St Pancras.
- Choral Eucharist at 10am on Sunday morning is taking place in the Quire, where possible.
- And on Sunday 8 November, the Remembrance Day service at 4pm will take place in the Nave.

Evensong, Evening Prayer and weekend services continue to take place in the Cathedral. The monthly services of Prayers for Healing and the Contemplative Prayer group continue in their current location.

Cathedral Flower Arrangers Christmas Wreath:
This festive season, a small run of Christmas wreaths will be made-to-order for individuals who wish to support Exeter Cathedral's Flower Arrangers. Made sustainably on straw, the handmade wreaths will be available to collect from the Cathedral Shop from Wednesday 16 December.
Orders can be placed for £45 by emailing: alisondavenport551@yahoo.co.uk

Praying with the Bible – *Lectio Divina*
The ancient form of praying with the Bible known as *Lectio Divina* is a practice of slow reading, which helps us absorb Scripture in depth – very different from our modern habit of skimming text. The *Lectio Divina* group meets on Wednesdays at 8pm on Zoom, led by Clare Bryden and other group members. The session lasts 40 mins, including a reading from John's Gospel, a time for silent pondering, and a time for sharing. Anyone is always welcome to join us and to participate as much as they feel comfortable. Please contact Clare on spirituality@exeter-cathedral.org.uk for more information and the Zoom link.

Remembrance Sunday Devon County Service 2026 *TODAY | 4pm*
This special service for the people of Devon will be accompanied by music from Exeter Cathedral Choir, and attended by military and veteran associations. During the service, commemorative wreaths will be passed to the Dean of Exeter, then placed in Exeter Cathedral's Devon and Dorset Regimental Chapel, before being laid at the War Memorial on Cathedral Green, on Armistice Day. Everyone is warmly invited to attend this service.
This is a free event; no booking is required.

Interfaith Week (8-15 November 2026)
All events, free admission, refreshments, no booking required.
Monday 9 November: 18.30 –20.00, The Mint Church, Fore St, Exeter
Interfaith meal (pot-luck supper) –come and share food and friendship
All welcome –please contact Warren Houghton (dfbfsecretary@gmail.com) if you would like to join this event
Saturday 14 November: 14.00-16.00, St Stephen's Church, High Street, Exeter
Meet a Muslim, Pagan, Buddhist, Jew, Humanist, Christian, Hindu, Baha'i, Sikh, Quaker etc ...Share a cup of tea and meet diverse members of faith and belief groups from across the region, in a relaxed environment

Armistice Day Service 2026
Wednesday 11 November 2026 | 10:45am in the Quire.
All are welcome to join us for our Armistice Day service with a two-minute silence and prayers. *No booking is required*

Exeter Cathedral Christmas Market 2026
Friday 13 November 2026 (10am) – Sunday 13 December 2026 (5pm) | Cathedral Green
The Exeter Cathedral Christmas Market 2026 brings together festive cheer, artisan craftsmanship, and gourmet treats in an enchanting experience that delights all the senses. Wander through twinkling chalets, savour seasonal delicacies, sip mulled wine beneath the spires, and shop from handpicked traders showcasing the very best of Devon and beyond.

Pre-Advent Mini Retreat Sunday 22 November, 2026 11.45 – 1.00pm Medieval Hall
An opportunity to pause and prepare for Advent through a time of gentle reflection, music and silence. To book a place or to find out more information, please contact Reverend Canon Deborah Parsons at: deborah.parsons@exeter-cathedral.org.uk by no later than Sunday 15 November.

CHRISTINGLE - Coming soon!
Our Christingle service this year will take place on Saturday 28 November. There will be two Christingle making sessions in preparation for this on Thursday 26 November at 4.00pm and Friday 27 November at 2.00pm, in the Cloister Garth room. Each session will last approximately an hour and a half and will include refreshments! If you are able to offer help at either or both of these, please contact Tina Guthrie at tmgflute@gmail.com

Advent Series: The Lord's Prayer – By Revd Professor Christopher Bryan
Sunday 29 November 2026 & Sunday 13 December 2026 | 11:45am-12:30pm | The Medieval Hall (The Old Law Library)
We are all familiar with the Lord's Prayer. It is, in a sense, quite ordinary for Christians. Yet, that very familiarity can lead us to overlook the fact that it is also extraordinary. Utterly of Israel, the Lord's Prayer is also profoundly Christian. Essentially a family prayer, it is also universal. Always for the present moment, it is also for eternity. In two sessions, The Revd Professor Christopher Bryan will explore these thoughts.
To book a free place on the course or for more information, please email Christopher on: cbryan90@icloud.com

Canon Deborah Parsons will be leaving the Cathedral at the end of November. Her last Sunday will be Advent Sunday. Deborah has made an immense contribution to the life and mission of the Cathedral and been a great support to the Cathedral Community. If you would like to contribute to a thank you gift, please send a donation either to the Finance Department, Cathedral Office, 1 The Cloisters, Exeter EX1 1HS, or donate via BACS. The bank details are – Dean and Chapter of Exeter, Sort Code: 56-00-49 Account Number: 00708526, using the reference Parsons. If you send a donation by post, please mark the envelope 'Parsons Gift' and make cheques payable to 'The Dean and Chapter of Exeter.'

The Advent Procession
Sunday 29 November 2026 | 6pm | Exeter Cathedral
Enjoy this atmospheric service as the Exeter Cathedral Choir takes the lead in singing advent carols and anthems.
This service is free to attend; no booking is required.

Advent and Christmas 2026

The Exeter Nativity:
Sunday 13 December 3pm
Tickets: Please book your free ticket to attend via the QR code or go to https://www.ticketsource.com/exetercathedral/t-aalylnd

Lunchtime Carols for everyone:
Tuesday 15 and Thursday 17 December 1pm
Join in some traditional Christmas carol singing.
Free admission. All welcome

Wednesday 23 December 6pm
Grandisson Service Lessons and Carols for Christmas
Free tickets will be available during early December.

Christmas Eve: Thursday 24 December 12.00noon
Cathedral Crib Service
A short service for children and their carers

6pm
Grandisson Service Lessons and Carols for Christmas
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11pm
Midnight Mass sung by the St Peter's Singers

Christmas Day: Thursday 25 December:
8am
Holy Communion said, traditional language
10am
Choral Eucharist sung by the Cathedral Choir
11.45am
Choral Matins sung by the Cathedral Choir
4pm
Choral Evensong sung by the Cathedral Choir
with carols from the Minstrels' Gallery

Sunday 08	THE THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT		
8.00am	Holy Communion *BCP p192 for Collect, Epistle and Gospel*		Quire
9.00am	Morning Prayer *CW*		Chapter House Café
10.00am	**Choral Eucharist** *CW Order 1*		Quire
	For the fallen *Douglas Guest*		
	Collegium Regale *Herbert Howells*		
	Justorum animae *Charles Villiers Stanford*		
4.00pm	**Remembrance Day Service**		Nave
	Agnus Dei (One ever hangs) *Benjamin Britten*		
	For the fallen *Douglas Guest*		
	Greater Love *John Ireland*		
Monday 09			
8.15am	Morning Prayer *CW*		St Petrock's
8.35am	The Eucharist *CW*		St Petrock's
9.00am	Morning Prayer *CW*		www.zoom.us
12.30pm	Prayers for Wholeness and Healing		St Gabriel Chapel
5.30pm	**Choral Evensong** *BCP*	Psalms 47-49	Quire
	The Short Service *Jack Oades*		Responses
	In pace *Grayston Ives*		*Philip Moore*
Tuesday 10	Leo the Great, bishop, teacher, 461		
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	**Choral Evensong** *BCP*	Psalms 53-55	Quire
	Thomas Tertius Noble in A minor		Responses
	The souls of the righteous *Geraint Lewis*		*Philip Moore*
Wednesday 11	Martin, bishop, c.397		
8.15am	Morning Prayer *CW*		St Petrock's
8.35am	The Eucharist *CW*		St Petrock's
9.00am	Morning Prayer *CW*		www.zoom.us
10.45am	**Armistice Service**		Quire
1.15pm	The Eucharist *CW*		St Pancras
5.30pm	Evening Prayer *BCP*		Lady 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 Stephen Waine – *Dean*
The Revd Canon James Mustard – *Precentor*
Timothy Noon – *Director of Music*

Thursday 12

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	**Choral Evensong** *BCP*	Psalms 65-67	Quire
	Collegium Regale *Herbert Howells*		Responses
	Ave Maria *Igor Stravinsky*		*Anthony Piccolo*

Friday 13 Charles Simeon, priest, evangelical divine, 1836

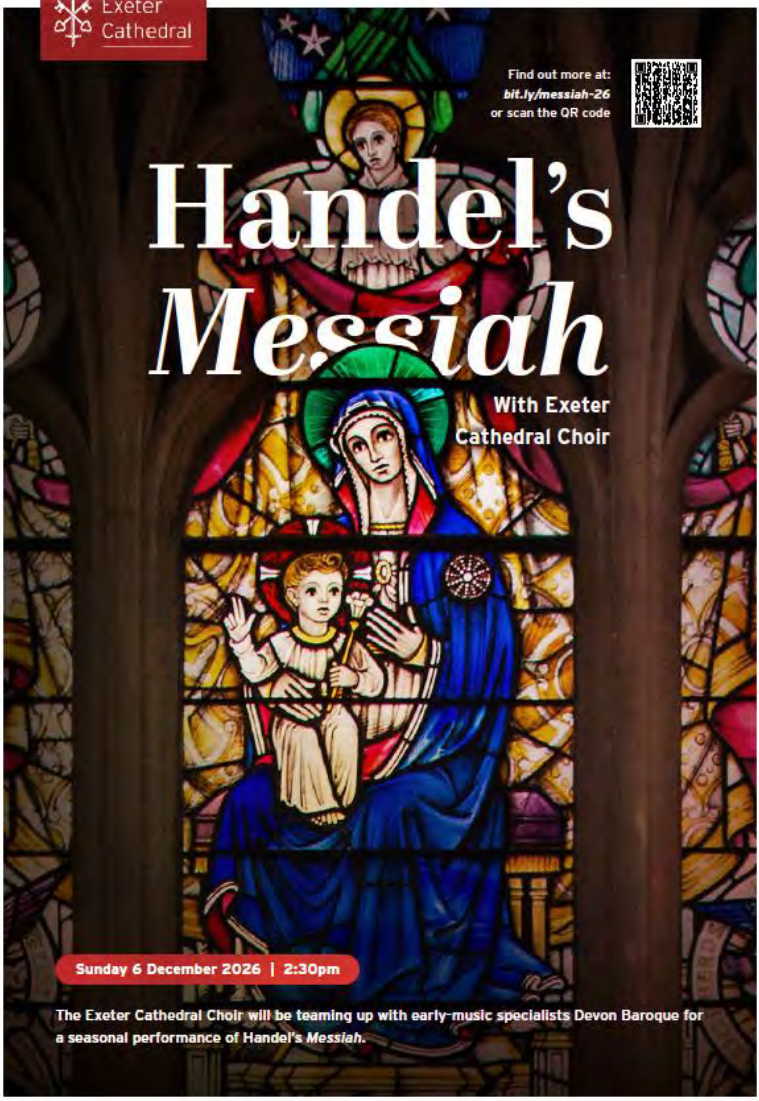
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8.35am	The Eucharist *CW*		St Petrock's
9.00am	Morning Prayer *CW*		www.zoom.us
5.30pm	**Choral Evensong** *BCP*	Psalms 69. 70	Quire
	Charles Wood in G		Responses
	God so loved the world *Henry Ley*		*William Harris*

Saturday 14

8.15am	Morning Prayer *CW*	Lady Chapel
8.35am	The Eucharist *CW*	Lady Chapel
5.30pm	Evening Prayer *BCP*	Lady Chapel

Sunday 15 THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

8.00am	Holy Communion *BCP p194 for Collect, Epistle and Gospel*		Quire
9.00am	Morning Prayer *BCP*		Chapter House Café
10.00am	**Choral Eucharist** *CW Order 1*		Quire
	God be in my head *John Rutter*		
	Collegium Regale *Harold Darke*		
	Listen, sweet dove *Grayston Ives*		
4.00pm	**Choral Evensong** *BCP*	Psalm 89 (20-36)	Quire
	The Merton College Service *Ēriks Ešenvalds*		Responses
	Ave virgo sanctissima *Francesco Guerrero*		*Matthew Martin*
			Hymns 498, 466 NEH

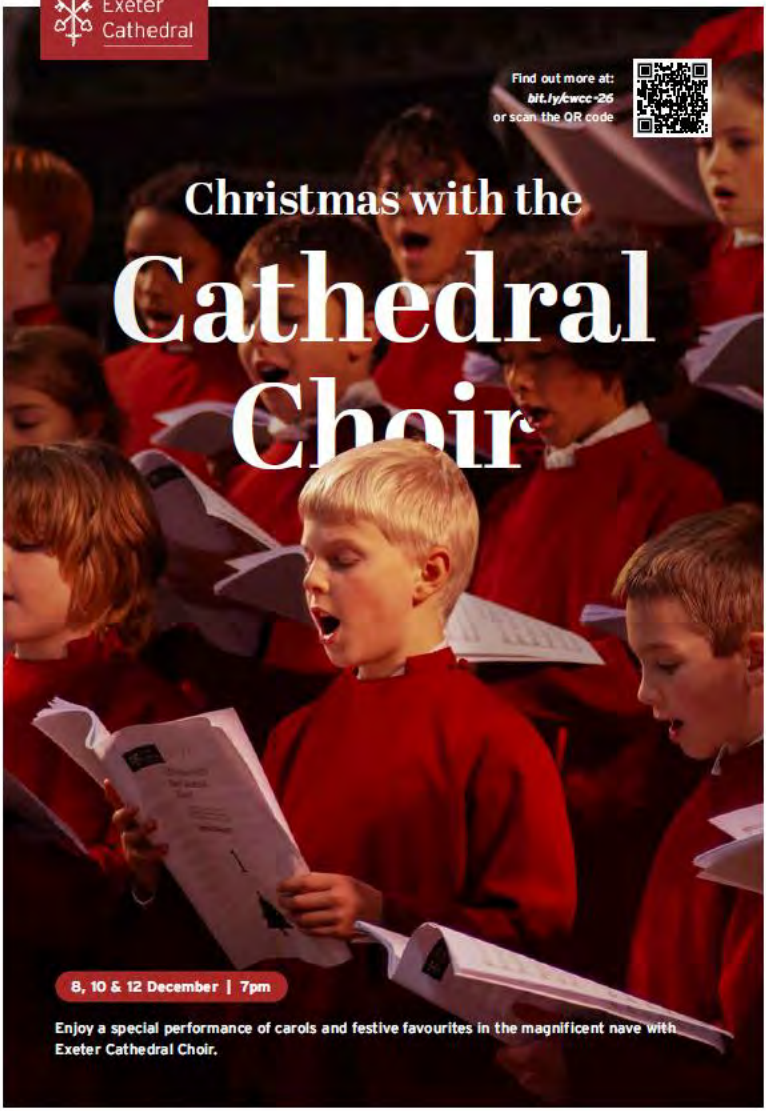


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Christmas with the Cathedral Choir



8, 10 & 12 December | 7pm

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