Exeter Cathedral

Choral Eucharist

Sunday 22 November 2026
10.00am

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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 Very Reverend Stephen Waine - *Dean*
Deacon: The Reverend Canon James Mustard – *Canon Precentor*
Subdeacon: The Reverend Canon Deborah Parsons – *Canon Chancellor*
Preacher: The Reverend Canon Morwenna Ludlow – *Canon Theologian*

Music

Mass Setting: Krönungsmesse K. 317 – *Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)*
Conductor: Timothy Noon – *Director of Music*
Organist: Max Toth – *Organ Scholar*

Children's Activities:

All children, whether new to the Cathedral, visitors or old friends, are very welcome to join us in Cloister Club. Our Cloister Club leaders all have enhanced DBS checks and will be sitting 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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Organ Music before the service

Adagio from Sonata no 1 - *Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809-1847)*

Order of Service

The Gathering

Introit

The congregation remains seated. The choir sings

Erhaben, o Herr, über alles Lob, über alle Herrlichkeit,
herrschest du von Ewigkeit. Hallelujah!

Exalted, O Lord, above all praise, above all glory,
you rule for ever. Hallelujah!

Text: No 3 of Sechs Sprüche
Music: Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Hymn

The congregation stands and sings

All hail the power of Jesu's name;
let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem
to crown him Lord of all.

Crown him, ye morning stars of light,
who fixed this floating ball;
now hail the Strength of Israel's might,
and crown him Lord of all.

Crown him, ye martyrs of your God,
who from his altar call;
praise him whose way of pain ye trod,
and crown him Lord of all.

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,
ye ransomed of the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him Lord of all.

Hail him, ye heirs of David's line,
whom David Lord did call;
the God incarnate, Man divine,
and crown him Lord of all.

Let every tribe and every tongue
to him their hearts enthral,
lift high the universal song,
and crown him Lord of all.

Words: Edward Perronet (1726-1792)
Tune: Miles Lane, W. Shrubsole (1760-1806)

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

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'
So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ,
confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

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

Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;
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 1:15-23

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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

Hymn
The congregation stands and sings

Rejoice, the Lord is King,
your Lord and King adore;
mortals, give thanks and sing,
and triumph evermore:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.

Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,
the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains,
he took his seat above:
Lift up your heart...

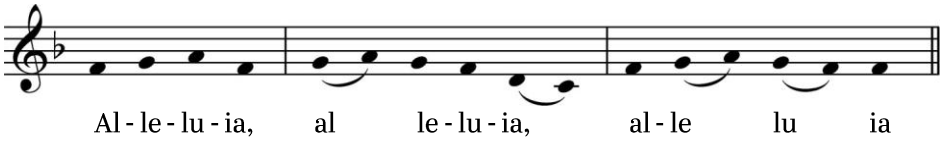
His kingdom cannot fail;
he rules o'er earth and heaven;
the keys of death and hell
are to our Jesus given:
Lift up your heart...

He sits at God's right hand
till all his foes submit,
and bow to his command,
and fall beneath his feet:
Lift up your heart...

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)
Tune: Gopsal, George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

Gospel Acclamation

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



The cantor sings:

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

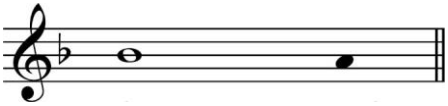
All sing the Alleluia.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 25:31-46

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: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world, for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You who are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels, for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment but the righteous into eternal life."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to you, O Christ.

The congregation sits.

Sermon

The Reverend Canon Morwenna Ludlow – *Canon Theologian*

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

To crown all things there must be love,
to bind all together and complete the whole.
Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.
cf Colossians 3.14,15

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.

Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own:
awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King
through all eternity.

Crown him the Virgin's Son,
the God incarnate born,
whose arm those crimson trophies won
which now his brow adorn:
fruit of the mystic Rose,
as of that Rose the Stem;
the Root whence mercy ever flows,
the Babe of Bethlehem.

Crown him the Lord of love!
Behold his hands and side,
rich wounds yet visible above
in beauty glorified:
no angel in the sky
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends his burning eye
at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of peace,
whose power a sceptre sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease,
absorbed in prayer and praise:
his reign shall know no end,
and round his piercèd feet
fair flowers of Paradise extend
their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of years,
the Potentate of time,
creator of the rolling spheres,
ineffably sublime.
glassed in a sea of light,
where everlasting waves
reflect his throne—the Infinite!
who lives-and loves—and saves.

Words: Matthew Bridges (1800-1894)
Tune: Diadematа, George Elvey (1816-1893)

Prayer over the gifts

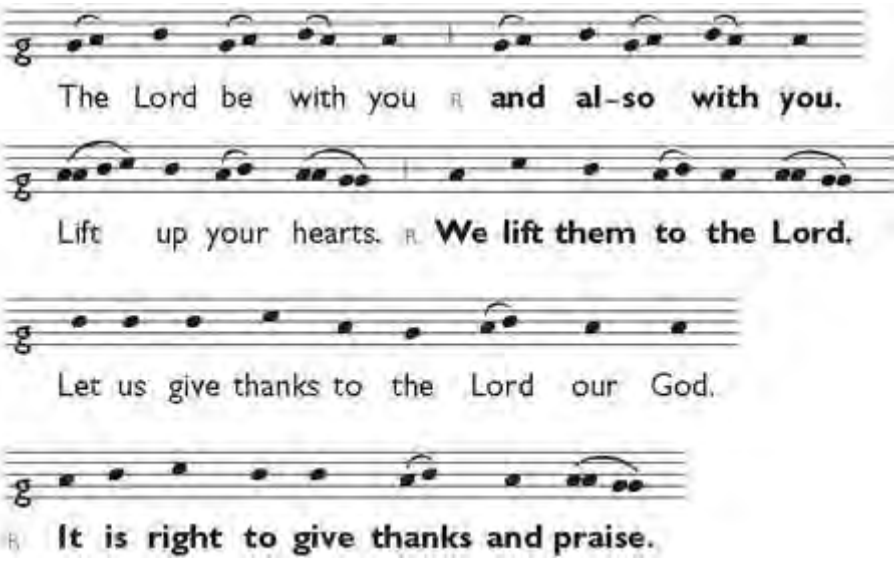
The congregation remains standing. The president says

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



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.
For with the oil of gladness
you have anointed Christ the Lord, your only Son,
to be our great high priest and king of all creation.
As priest, he offered himself once for all upon the altar of the cross
and redeemed the human race by this perfect sacrifice of peace.
As king he claims dominion over all your creatures,
that he may bring before your infinite majesty
a kingdom of truth and life,
a kingdom of holiness and grace,
a kingdom of justice, love and peace.
And so with angels and archangels
and all the heavenly host,
we proclaim your glory
and join their unending hymn of praise:

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 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

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

Dextera Domini fecit virtutem, dextera Domini exaltavit me: non moriar, sed vivam, et narrabo opera Domini.

The right hand of the Lord has wrought strength; the right hand of the Lord has exalted me: I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the Lord.

Words: Psalm 117:16-17
Music: Orlando di Lasso (1532-1594)

Prayer after Communion

The congregation stands. The president says
Let us pray.

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,
may by you be plenteously rewarded;
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.

Hymn

The congregation stands and sings

Christ triumphant, ever reigning,
Saviour, Master, King!
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,
hear us as we sing:
Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name!

Word incarnate, truth revealing,
Son of Man on earth!
power and majesty concealing
by your humble birth:
Yours the glory...

Suffering servant, scorned, ill-treated,
victim crucified!
death is through the cross defeated,
sinners justified:
Yours the glory...

Priestly king, enthroned for ever
high in heaven above!
sin and death and hell shall never
stifle hymns of love:
Yours the glory ...

So, our hearts and voices raising
through the ages long,
ceaselessly upon you gazing,
this shall be our song:
Yours the glory ...

Words: Michael Saward (1932-2015)
Tune: Guiting Power, John Barnard (b1948)

The Dismissal

Blessing

The congregation remains standing. The president says

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Christ our exalted King pour upon you his abundant gifts
and bring you to reign with him in glory;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Dismissal

The deacon says
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Organ Voluntary

Allegro assai vivace from Sonata no 1 –
Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

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

For your prayers

Those who are sick or in need:
Paul Davies, 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, Marion Newbery, Penny Endersby, Olivia Parkinson, Sarah, Jonathan Bush
Departed: Bernard Harris, Mike, Penelope, Clarice Bentley
Anniversaries of Death: 22 – 28 November Audrey Houghton, Sylvia Bush, Sue Parks

Notices

Readings for 10am Choral Eucharist next Sunday
(29th November: the First Sunday of Advent, 1 Corinthians 3:1-9, Mark 13.24-37)

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

Project Update
The MSE contractors are continuing to install cabling in the roof spaces. The MEWP (Mobile Elevated Working Platform) has now left the Cathedral and will not return until January, so that the Cathedral can prepare for the busy Advent and Christmas period. We are grateful to the floor team, guides and stewards for their understanding and help whilst sections of the nave were cordoned off for survey work this week.
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.

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.

From Monday 30 November, weekday Morning Prayer and Eucharist, and the Wednesday Eucharist, will return to the Lady Chapel in the Cathedral. From Monday 11 January those services will return to St Petrock's Church (Morning Prayer and Eucharist) and St Pancras Church (Wednesday Eucharist) to allow the contractors greater access to the Cathedral building.

Cathedral Property

During August, the buildings previously occupied by Exeter Cathedral School were returned to the Cathedral. In preparation for their return, Chapter set up a working group, the Investment Buildings Group, to make recommendations about the future of these buildings. The IBG has also been tasked with developing a long-term strategic approach to all Cathedral property for Chapter's consideration.

Given the Cathedral's current financial situation and our responsibilities as a charity, whilst also keen to see positive new uses for the buildings, Chapter has decided to sell The Chantry (the main school building) and Nos 5, 7 and 9 Palace Gate (the former boarding house). Chapter has also decided to sell Notaries House, which sits behind the Medieval Hall. Stratton Creber will handle the sales on behalf of the Cathedral. Proceeds from the sales will be returned to the Cathedral's endowment fund.

We are pleased to say that Hall House has been let to the childcare and education provider Devon Nurseries, and we look forward to the new nursery opening in the coming year.

Chapter will continue to consider the long-term needs of the Cathedral before making decisions about other spaces formerly used by the school.

Young Persons 18-40 group, TODAY in the Sacristy following the 10am Choral Eucharist: this will be 'Grill a Theologian', the Reverend Canon Morwenna Ludlow.

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

***A Necessary Presence* by Clare Bryden**
Clare Bryden has just published a new book of poetry. *A Necessary Presence* journeys across the sacred landscapes and thin places where God may be encountered. If you would like to get hold of a copy, she's usually at the Sunday 10am Eucharist - grab her after the service.

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.

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 Quiet Day 2nd December 10-4pm Medieval Hall.
If you are interested in reflecting on the two key women of the Nativity, Mary and Elizabeth, during Advent this may be for you. Please contact Canon Cate for further details (cate.edmonds@exeter-cathedral.org.uk)

Confirmation Preparation for Young People and Adults
The next Confirmation Service at Exeter Cathedral will take place at 10.00am on Sunday 2nd May, 2027 and will be conducted by the Rt Revd Dr Mike Harrison. If you would like to be prepared for Confirmation, please email Tom Salmon liturgy@exeter-cathedral.org.uk by no later than Monday 18th January, 2027 who will send you the appropriate form(s) to complete. Preparation will take place in the Lent term.

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 22	CHRIST THE KING		
8.00am	Holy Communion *BCP p195 for Collect, Epistle and Gospel*		Quire
9.00am	Morning Prayer *CW*		Chapter House Café
10.00am	**Choral Eucharist** *CW Order 1* Am Himmelfahrtstage *Felix Mendelssohn* Krönungsmesse K. 317 *Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart* Dextera Domini *Orlando di Lasso*		Quire
4.00pm	**Choral Evensong** *BCP* The Westminster Service *Herbert Howells* A Hymn for St Cecilia *Herbert Howells*	Psalm 93	Quire Responses *Richard Ayleward* Hymns 394, 338 (omit verse 6), NEH
Monday 23	Clement, bishop, martyr, c.100		
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* The First Service *Philip Moore* O Lord, hear my prayer *Matthew Locke*	Psalms 114, 115	Quire Responses *Stephen Cleobury*
Tuesday 24			
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* The Verse Service *George Marson* The Lord is King *William Boyce*	Psalm 119 (1-32)	Quire Responses *Stephen Cleobury*
Wednesday 25			
8.15am	Morning Prayer *CW*		St Petrock's
8.35am	The Eucharist *CW*		St Petrock's
9.00am	Morning Prayer *CW*		www.zoom.us
1.15pm	The Eucharist *CW*		St Pancras
5.30pm	Evening Prayer *BCP*		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 26

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*	Psalm 119 (145-end)	Quire
	Alan Gray in F minor		Responses
	Jehovah, quam multi sunt hostes mei *Henry Purcell*		*Richard Ayleward*

Friday 27

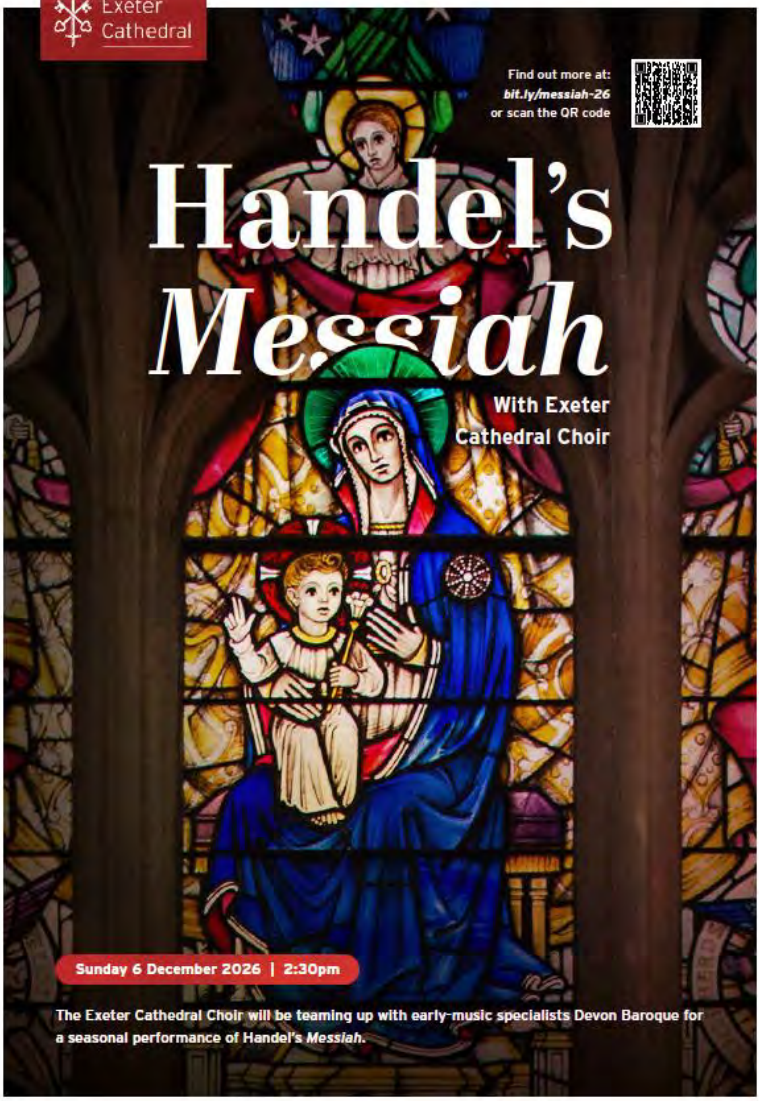
8.15am	Morning Prayer *CW*		St Petrock's
8.35am	The Eucharist *CW*		St Petrock's
9.00am	Morning Prayer *CW*		www.zoom.us
5.30pm	**Choral Evensong** *BCP*	Psalms 126-131	Quire
	Harold Darke in A minor		Responses
	Ave virgo sanctissima *Francesco Guerrero*		*Richard Ayleward*

Saturday 28

8.15am	Morning Prayer *CW*	Lady Chapel
8.35am	The Eucharist *CW*	Lady Chapel
4.00pm	**Christingle Service**	Nave
5.30pm	Evening Prayer BCP	Lady Chapel

Sunday 29 THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8.00am	Holy Communion *BCP p47 for Collect, Epistle and Gospel*	Quire
9.00am	Morning Prayer *BCP*	Chapter House Café
10.00am	**Choral Eucharist** *CW Order 1*	Nave
	The Litany	
	Messe Solennelle *Louis Vierne*	
	A tender shoot *Rupert Jeffcoat*	
6.00pm	**The Advent Procession**	Nave and Quire



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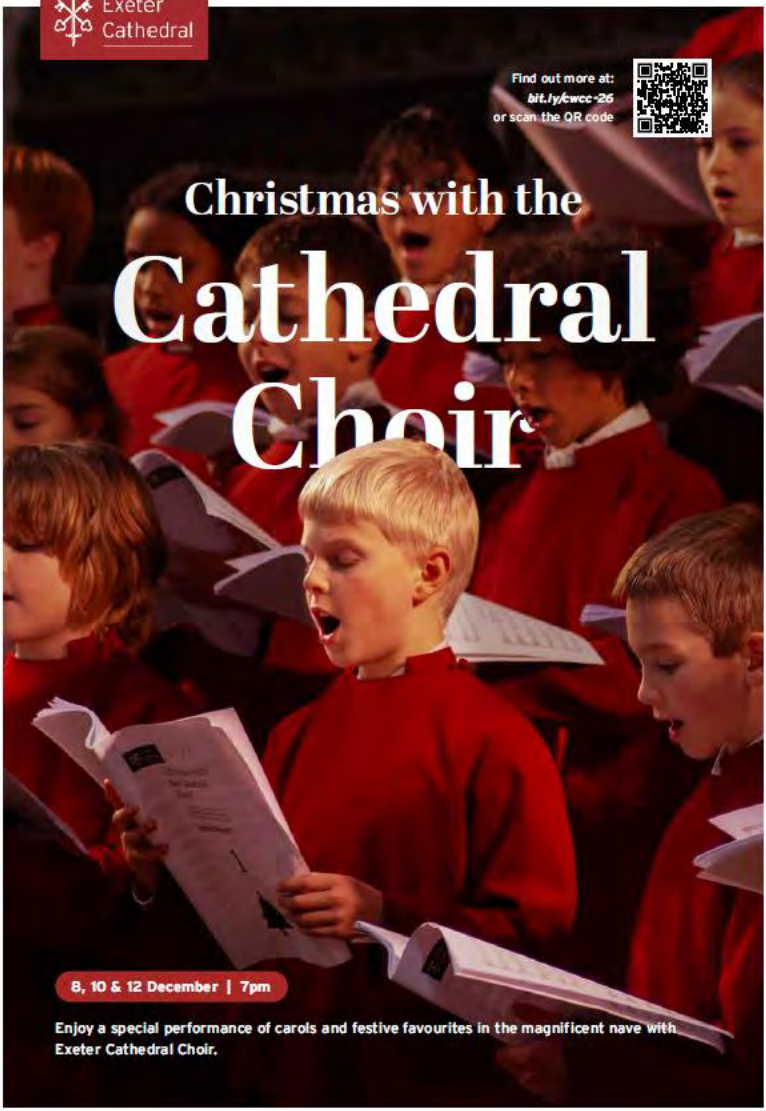
Christmas with the Cathedral Choir



8, 10 & 12 December | 7pm

Enjoy a special performance of carols and festive favourites in the magnificent nave with Exeter Cathedral Choir.

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