

The Cathedral Eucharist
Sunday, 21st June, 2026
The Third Sunday after Trinity



The President today is the Reverend Canon Kate Massey, Acting Dean. The Deacon is Margaret East, Cathedral Lay Reader. The Subdeacon is the Reverend Canon Nitano Muller, Canon for Worship and Welcome. The Reverend Canon Sacha Slavic, Cathedral Associate Minister, is preaching. The Cathedral Choir is directed by Liam Condon, Assistant Director of Music. The organist is Adam Heron, Organ Scholar.

*The service setting is Missa Brevis Op. 83 by Josef Rheinberger (1839-1901). We encourage our visitors to take photographs of our beautiful cathedral, **but please no photography during the service.***

If you would like to access the loop system, please speak to one of the vergers.

Opening Hymn

**Praise, my soul, the King of heaven,
to his feet thy tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who like me his praise should sing?
praise him, praise him,
praise him, praise him,
praise the everlasting King.**

**Praise him for his grace and favour
to our fathers in distress;
praise him still the same for ever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless:
praise him, praise him,
praise him, praise him,
glorious in his faithfulness.**

**Father-like, he tends and spares us,
well our feeble frame he knows,
in his hands he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes:
praise him, praise him,
praise him, praise him,
widely as his mercy flows.**

**Angels, help us to adore him;
ye behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space:
praise him, praise him,
praise him, praise him,
praise with us the God of grace.**

*Words by Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847) cf. Psalm 103
Tune CP 555 Praise my Soul John Goss (1800-1880)*

The Collect

Almighty God,
you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your
Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to
dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be
brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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 First Reading

Read by David Hollway, representing the Cathedral Community.

A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans.

¹ What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that
grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin go on
living in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized
into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴Therefore we have
been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was
raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk

in newness of life. ⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Romans 6:1-11

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Acclamation

Jesus proclaimed the gospel of the kingdom
and healed every affliction among the people.

Matthew 4:23

The Gospel Reading

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁴“A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; ²⁵it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! ²⁶“So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. ²⁷What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. ³²“Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; ³³but whoever denies me before others, I

also will deny before my Father in heaven. ³⁴“Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. ³⁵For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; ³⁶and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household. ³⁷Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; ³⁸and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

Matthew 10:24-39

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Offertory Hymn

**Thy kingdom come, O God,
thy rule, O Christ, begin;
break with thine iron rod
the tyrannies of sin.**

**Where is thy reign of peace
and purity and love?**

**When shall all hatred cease,
as in the realms above?**

**When comes the promised time
that war shall be no more,
and lust, oppression, crime
shall flee thy face before?**

**We pray thee, Lord, arise,
and come in thy great might;
revive our longing eyes,
which languish for thy sight.**

**Men scorn thy sacred name,
and wolves devour thy fold;
by many deeds of shame
we learn that love grows cold.**

**O'er lands both near and far
thick darkness broodeth yet:
arise, O morning star,
arise, and never set.**

*Words by L. Hensley (1824-1905)
Tune CP 607 St Cecilia L.G. Hayne (1836-1883)*

Anthem

Panis angelicus fit panis
hominum;
Dat panis coelicus figuris
terminum:
O res mirabilis! Manducat
Dominum Pauper, servus et
humilis.

*Bread of angels, made the bread of
men;
the Bread of heaven puts an end to
all symbols:
What a wonder! The Lord becomes
our food: poor, a servant, and
humble.*

*Words by St Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274)
Music by César Franck (1822-1890)*

Communion Hymn

**Just as I am, without one plea
but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou bidst me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
sight, riches, healing of the mind,
yea, all I need, in thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve:
because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, (thy love unknown
has broken every barrier down),
now to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, of that free love
the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,
here for a season, then above,
O Lamb of God, I come.**

*Words by Charlotte Elliott (1789-1871)
Tune CP 308i Saffron Walden A.H. Brown (1830-1926)*

Post Communion

O God,
whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot
comprehend: show us your glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield
us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you
without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Amen.

Closing Hymn

**And can it be that I should gain
an interest in the Saviour's blood?
Died he for me, who caused his pain?
For me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be
that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?**

**'Tis mystery all: the Immortal dies!
Who can explore his strange design?
In vain the first-born seraph tries
to sound the depths of love divine.
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore,
let angel minds enquire no more.**

**He left his Father's throne above –
so free, so infinite his grace –
emptied himself of all but love,
and bled for Adam's helpless race.
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
for, O my God, it found out me!**

**Long my imprisoned spirit lay
fast bound in sin and nature's night;
thine eye diffused a quickening ray;
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
my chains fell off, my heart was free,
I rose, went forth, and followed thee.**

**No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
Alive in him, my living Head,
and clothed in righteousness divine,
bold I approach the eternal throne,
and claim the crown, through Christ, my own.**

Words by Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Tune CP 376 Sagina from Thomas Campbell The Bouquet (1823)

Voluntary

Fugue in G Minor WoO 10 by Johannes Brahms (1833-1897).

We invite those joining us for worship to contribute to the costs of mission at the Cathedral. Please use the cash or contactless donation points, or the QR code here. This will take you to the Cathedral's page for the Parish giving Scheme which will enable you to make a one-off donation, or set up a regular gift should you wish. Thank you so much for your support and generosity.



*If you would like to revisit this morning's sermon, please visit this page:
<https://www.coventrycathedral.org.uk/worship-music/services/sermons>*

We serve refreshments at the back of the Nave after this service, please do join us and if you are visiting, please introduce yourself to one of the ministers.

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We are committed to the safeguarding of all people. For details, please visit
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Daily Services at the Cathedral:

Regular services at the Cathedral follow this pattern. For special services and
up-to-date information about one-off cancellations of the services below,
please check the calendar on the Cathedral website:

<https://www.coventrycathedral.org.uk/full-calendar>

Monday - Friday

8:30 – 9:00am: *Morning Prayer & Holy Communion*

12 – 12:10pm: *The Litany of Reconciliation*

(followed on Thursdays by BCP Holy Communion)

4 – 4:30pm: *Evening Prayer*

(or Wednesday and Thursday during school terms: *Choral Evensong, 5:15 - 6pm*)

Saturday

12 – 12:10pm: *The Litany of Reconciliation*

Sunday

10:30 – 11:45am: *The Cathedral Eucharist*

4 – 5pm: *Choral Evensong*

JOINING OUR CHOIRS

Boys and girls between the ages of 7 and 11 are welcome to audition for our Cathedral Choir. Do you know a child who loves to sing? There are many benefits to joining the choir – new friends, a free, world-class music education, choir pay, singing services and at special events in amazing places, choir tours, broadcasts, recordings and social events too. If you or someone you know might be interested in joining the choir, please be in touch with the Acting Director of Music to arrange a meeting. Email: Music.Administrator@CoventryCathedral.org.uk

Our Cathedral Chamber Choir

Our Cathedral Chamber Choir sing voluntarily at various services throughout the year and are currently open for auditions on all voice parts. Rehearsals usually take place on occasional Thursday evenings in the lead up to a service. If you would be interested in joining our Chamber Choir, please get in touch with Liam Condon, Assistant Director of Music, for an audition. Email: Liam.Condon@coventry.anglican.org

Coventry Cathedral Chorus

The Chorus is one of the Midlands' leading amateur choirs, bringing together around 60 singers to perform a wide range of choral music in and beyond Coventry. Founded shortly after the consecration of Coventry Cathedral in 1963, the Chorus continues a rich tradition of singing in notable venues across the UK and Europe.

Rehearsals take place at the Cathedral on Tuesday evenings, 7.15–9.30pm. New singers are always welcome. To find out more or arrange to attend a rehearsal, visit coventrycathedralchorus.com or contact the Membership Secretary at membership@coventrycathedralchorus.com. Follow Coventry Cathedral Chorus on Facebook and [@CovCathChorus](#) on X.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Clergy Preaching Away

The Reverend Su McClellan, Cathedral Associate Minister
St Chad's, Wood End

Ukraine Visit

During her recent CCN trip, Canon Kate was invited to join Bishop Oliver Schuegraf on a joint visit to our CCN partners in Ukraine. Hosted by Pastor Alexander Grosse, we visited St Paul's Lutheran Cathedral in Odessa as well as seeing some of the wonderful community work churches are doing in the surrounding villages. **Canon Kate will be speaking about this visit TODAY after the 10.30am service in the John Laing Centre.** Do come along and hear about the remarkable people doing the work of peace under the shadow of war.

Door Codes and Lanyards!

As part of our work to improve the security and safeguarding round the Cathedral site, we will be regularly changing the security door codes. From **Tuesday 23rd June**, there will be new door codes to enter through the Chapter House door and to access the Song School corridor and the Choir Vestry. If you have role within the Cathedral which means that you need to be able to access these areas, **please speak to Kate or Nitano.**

Also, if you are in a volunteer role which requires access to "behind the scenes" parts of the Cathedral, you must **wear your lanyard at all times** - otherwise, you may be challenged!

Thank you for helping us to keep our cathedral as safe and secure as possible!

Exploring Mark's Gospel

The first of our Small Groups begins this July with a five-week Bible Study exploring the Gospel of Mark. The group will meet **every Wednesday in July** (starting on 1 July) at 7.00pm in St Michael's House.

Whether you are new to church, new to Christianity, curious about the Bible, or simply looking to deepen your faith, this group offers a welcoming space to read and discuss Scripture together. We will explore practical and life-giving ways of engaging with the Bible and discovering what it has to say to us today.

If you would like to join or would like to know more, please speak to Jacob Highton, co-leader of the group, or email jacobhighton@gmail.com.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Can you help? We are looking for people who might be able to support our dedicated team of choir chaperones. You would be responsible for the safety and pastoral care of our wonderful choristers during rehearsals and services on a rota basis. Could you offer some time in the early evenings on Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays, or on a Saturday morning, or before and during our Sunday services? Are you kind and able to work well with children? Are you reliable and willing to work with our policies to keep children safe?

This is an important role and so volunteers will go through our safer recruitment process, have a DBS check and complete training as part of our firm commitment to promoting a safe environment and culture for children, young people and vulnerable adults.

For more information, please speak to Jane Williams or email the Music Department Administrator at April.Griffiths@Coventry.Anglican.org

CCN Young Reconcilers Gathering

4-7th August 2026

Coventry's story is as relevant today as it's ever been. This summer, we are inviting young people aged 18-25 to come and be excited by its significance in a world in conflict. Together we will reflect on how it can reach into situations large and small, and learn with us some key reconciliation skills and practice, alongside different nationalities of young peacebuilders.

Earlybird cost (non-residential*) is £120 per person, to include all meals and refreshments from the Tuesday evening until the Friday afternoon.

Those attending the full gathering until its close on Friday lunchtime will receive a Foundation Certificate in Reconciliation & Peacebuilding from

Coventry Cathedral. Please consider this for yourself or share this information with young people you know. If you might be willing to sponsor a place for a young person, please speak to Kate.

COMING SOON

Windrush Service

TODAY - Sunday, 21st June at 3pm

Join us for a special Windrush Commemorative Service, as we give thanks for the faith, courage and immeasurable contribution of the Windrush Generation and their descendants. Through the music of young Afro-Caribbean artists, prayer and storytelling, we will honour those who helped shape the life of Britain and the Church, while reflecting on the ongoing call to justice. No Choral Evensong today.

Petertide Ordinations

Priests on Saturday, 27th June at 4pm and

Deacons on Sunday, 29th June at 10.30am

Bishop Sophie will preside at the ordination of priests and deacons later this month. Please note that the ordination of Deacons is within the context of our usual Cathedral Eucharist, so ALL are warmly invited to join these services as we prayerfully support those being ordained and their families.

South Asian Heritage Celebration

Saturday, 25 July 2026, 12pm-3pm

Join us for a joyful celebration of South Asian heritage, culture, faith, and community. The afternoon will include music, dance, poetry, prayer, a keynote address, opportunities to hear personal stories through a panel discussion, and shared food and fellowship. All are warmly invited to come and celebrate the richness and diversity of our communities together. More details to follow.



COVENTRY CATHEDRAL

MOZART REQUIEM

IN CONCERT

 SATURDAY
4TH JULY
2026

 6:30pm

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Joe Watson (Conductor) Liam Condon (Organist) Phoebe Higham (Soprano) Hannah Capstick (Alto) Nick Drew (Tenor) Luke Busbridge (Bass)

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