

Procession and Solemn Eucharist

Easter Day 2024 11.00am

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We are delighted to welcome you to this service at your cathedral, which has been a site of Christian worship for over 1,500 years. We also welcome those who are joining us via the live-stream.

If you are joining us for the first time, please introduce yourself to a member of clergy, who will be happy to tell you more about worship in this place.

Everything you need to follow the service is in this booklet. Please join in the singing of the hymns, as well as the text printed in **Bold**.

We hope that you'll join us for refreshments following the service.

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We are a Christian community, followers of Jesus.

We are an inclusive community, whatever your faith, or none, you are very welcome.

The cathedral is place for everyone.

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Order of Service

Notices are read from the Lectern at 11.00am.

THE GATHERING

Please stand as the choir enters. The Altar party gathers near the West door. All face them.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Yn enw'r Tad, a'r Mab, a'r Ysbryd Glân.

All Amen.

Amen.

The President traces the markings on the Easter Candle saying:

Christ yesterday and today, the beginning and the end, Alpha and Omega, all time belongs to him, and all ages; to him be glory and power, through every age and for ever.

All Amen.

By his holy and glorious wounds may Christ our Lord guard and keep us.

All Amen.

The President lights the Easter Candle, saying:

May the light of Christ, rising in glory, banish all darkness from our hearts and minds.

The Deacon holds up the Easter Candle and proclaims:

The Light of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

This is the day when our Lord Jesus Christ was raised gloriously from the dead, crushing the power of sin and destroying the sting of death. Throughout the world Christians celebrate the mighty power of God as Christ calls us out of darkness to share in his marvellous light. May we, and all Christ's people, shine as lights in the world to the glory of God the Father.

The minister holding the candle says:

The Light of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

All





Christ the Lord is risen again,
Christ hath broken every chain.
Hark, the angels shout for joy,
singing evermore on high,
Alleluia.

He who gave for us his life, who for us endured the strife, is our paschal Lamb to-day; we too sing for joy, and say Alleluia.

3
He who bore all pain and loss comfortless upon the Cross, lives in glory now on high, pleads for us, and hears our cry: Alleluia.

4
He whose path no records tell,
who descended into hell,
who the strongest arm hath bound,
now in highest heaven is crowned.
Alleluia.

Words: Victimae paschali laudes immolent Christiani Wipo of Burgundy (attributed), Anonymous German, translated Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

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He who slumbered in the grave is exalted now to save; now through Christendom it rings that the Lamb is King of kings.

Alleluia.

Now he bids us tell abroad how the lost may be restored, how the penitent forgiven how we too may enter heaven. Alleluia.

7
Thou, our paschal Lamb indeed,
Christ, thy ransomed people feed;
take our sins and guilt away:
let us sing by night and day
Alleluia.

Music: WÜRTEMBURG Melody from Hundert Arien, Dresden (1694) adapted by William Henry Monk (1823-89) Christ our Passover lamb has been sacrificed for us. Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

We confess our sins to Almighty God:

We have sinned in thought, word and deed, and have failed to do what we ought to have done.
We are sorry and truly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ who died for us, forgive us all that is past and lead us in his way to walk as children of light. Amen.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you and set you free from sin, strengthen you in goodness and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

THE GLORIA

Choir 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 caelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens, Domine Fili unigenite, Iesu 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, Iesu Christe Cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris. Amen. Glory be to God on high, and on 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 most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Music: Messe Solennelle, Op. 16 Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

THE COLLECT

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity.

All Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Please sit.

Reader A reading from Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius. 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ — he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

Acts 10. 34-43

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

The Lord is my strength and my defence: Choir

and is become my salvation.

The sound of joy and deliverance is in the dwellings of the righteous:

the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.

The right hand of the Lord is exalted:

the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.

I shall not die, but live:

and declare the works of the Lord.

The Lord hath chastened me above measure:

but he hath not given me over unto death.

Open me the gates of righteousness:

that I may enter into them and give thanks unto the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord:

the righteous shall enter into it.

I will thank thee because thou hast answered me:

and art become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders refused:

is become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing:

and it is marvellous in our eyes.

This is the day which the Lord hath made:

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Music: Edward J Hopkins (1818-1901)

Reader A reading from Saint Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians;

Now I should remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

1 Corinthians 15, 1-11

This is the word of the Lord.

Please stand and repeat the Gospel acclamation after the choir:



Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Choir 'I am the first and the last,' says the Lord, 'and the living one:

I was dead, but behold, I am alive for evermore!'

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint John,

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

John 20. 1-18

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand and say together:

All 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from 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.

Please sit or kneel. All present are asked to pray.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Arglwydd, yn dy drugaredd gwrando ein gweddi.

The prayers end with:

All Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Dad trugarog, derbyn y gweddïau hyn er mwyn dy Fab ein Gwaredwr Iesu Grist. Amen.

Please stand.

All

All

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia!

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Tangnefedd yr Arglwydd a fo gyda chwi bob amser.

A hefyd gyda thi.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.



All
Light's glittering morn bedecks the sky;
heaven thunders forth its victor-cry
Alleluia, alleluia.
The glad earth shouts her triumph high,
and groaning hell makes wild reply:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia.

That Eastertide with joy was bright, the sun shone out with fairer light, when, to their longing eyes restored, the glad apostles saw their Lord:

He bade them see his hands, his side, where yet the glorious wounds abide; the tokens true which made it plain their Lord indeed was risen again:

Jesu, the King of gentleness, do thou thyself our hearts possess, that we may give thee all our days the tribute of our grateful praise:

All praise be thine, O risen Lord, from death to endless life restored; all praise to God the Father be and Holy Ghost eternally:

Words: Aurora lucis rutilat, Anonymous Latin translated by John M Neale (1818-1866)

Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) from Geistliche Catholische Kirchengesäng (1623) Risen Lord Jesus Christ, we believe you, and all we have heard is true. When you break bread may we recognize you as the fire that burns within us, that we may bring light to your world.

All Amen.

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, almighty and eternal Father, and in these days of Easter to celebrate with joyful hearts the memory of your wonderful works.

For by the mystery of his passion Jesus Christ, your risen Son, has conquered the powers of death and hell and restored in us the image of your glory. He has placed them once more in paradise and opened to them the gate of life eternal.

And so, in the joy of this Passover, earth and heaven resound with gladness, while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation sing for ever the hymn of your glory:

Choir Sanctus, Sanctus, Holy, holy, holy
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.

Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua;
Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy
Lord, God of Hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, in the highest.

Hear us, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Through him accept our sacrifice of praise, and grant that, by the power of your Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine may be for us his body and his blood; who in the same night that he was betrayed took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying,

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper, he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying,

Drink from this, all of you; for 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.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come in glory.

Therefore, Father, remembering the saving death and resurrection of your Son, we offer to you in thanksgiving this bread and this cup, your gifts to us, and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. Send your Holy Spirit upon all of us who share this bread and this cup. Strengthen our faith, make us one and welcome us and all your people into the glorious kingdom of your Son. Through him, with him, in him in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honour and glory are yours, Almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

ΑII

Clyw ni, Dad nefol, trwy Iesu Grist dy Fab ein Harglwydd. Trwyddo ef derbyn ein haberth

o foliant, a chaniatâ, trwy nerth dy Ysbryd, i'r rhoddion hyn o fara a gwin fod i ni ei gorff a'i waed ef; y nos y bradychwyd ef, cymerodd fara a rhoi diolch i ti; fe'i torrodd a'i roi i'w ddisgyblion, gan ddweud,

Cymerwch, bwytewch; hwn yw fy nghorff a roddir drosoch. Gwnewch hyn er cof amdanaf.

Yr un modd, ar ôl swper, cymerodd y cwpan a rhoi diolch i ti; fe'i rhoddodd iddynt, gan ddweud,

Yfwch o hwn, bawb; oherwydd hwn yw fy ngwaed i, gwaed y cyfamod newydd, a dywelltir drosoch a thros lawer er maddeuant pechodau. Gwnewch hyn, bob tro yr yfwch ef, er cof amdanaf.

Gadewch inni gyhoeddi dirgelwch y fydd: Bu farw Crist.
Atgyfododd Crist.
Daw Crist mewn gogoniant.

Felly, O Dad, gan gofio angau achubol ac atgyfodiad dy Fab, offrymwn i ti mewn diolch y bara hwn a'r cwpan hwn, dy roddion inni, a diolchwn i ti am ein cyfrif yn deilwng i sefyll yn dy ŵydd a'th wasanaethu. Anfon dy Ysbryd Glân ar bawb ohonom sy'n rhannu'r bara hwn a'r cwpan hwn. Cryfha ein ffydd, gwna ni'n un a chroesawa ni a'th holl bobl i deyrnas ogoneddus dy Fab. Trwyddo ef, gydag ef, ac ynddo ef, yn undod yr Ysbryd Glân eiddot ti, Dad hollalluog, yw'r holl anrhydedd a'r gogoniant yn oes oesoedd.

Amen.

Let us pray with confidence to the Father:

ΑII

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, Ac nac arwain ni i brofedigaeth; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Fel y dysgodd ein Hiachawdwr ni, gweddïwn yn hyderus:

Ein Tad, yr hwn wyt yn y nefoedd, sancteiddier dy enw, deled dy deyrnas, gwneler dy ewyllys; megis yn y nef, felly ar y ddaear hefyd. Dyro i ni heddiw ein bara beunyddiol a maddau i ni ein dyledion, fel y maddeuwn ninnau i'n dyledwyr. eithr gwared ni rhag drwg. Canys eiddot ti yw'r deyrnas, a'r gallu, a'r gogoniant, yn oes oesoedd. Amen.

THE COMMUNION

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body ΑII for we all share in one bread.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia. ΑII

Those who wish to may come forward to receive communion or a blessing. There will be Communion Stations around the Cathedral. Please follow the direction of the stewards.

The sacrament is administered with these words:

The body of Christ. Amen. The blood of Christ. Amen.

During communion, the Agnus Dei and a motet are sung:

Choir Agnus Dei, Lamb of God,

qui tollis peccata mundi: that takest away the sins of the world:

miserere nobis. have mercy on us.

Agnus Dei, Lamb of God,

qui tollis peccata mundi: that takest away the sins of the world:

dona nobis pacem. grant us peace.

Choir Now the green blade riseth, from the buried grain, Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain; Love lives again, that with the dead has been:

Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

In the grave they laid Him, Love who had been slain, Thinking that He never would awake again, Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen: Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

Forth He came at Easter, like the risen grain, Jesus who for three days in the grave had lain; Quick from the dead the risen One is seen: Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain, Jesus' touch can call us back to life again, Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been: Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

Words: John Macleod Campbell Crum (1872-1958)

Music: Bob Chilcott (b.1955)

POST-COMMUNION HYMN



All Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won; angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, Endless is the vict'ry, thou o'er death hast won.

Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom; let the Church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, for her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting: Refrain

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life; life is naught without thee: aid us in our strife, make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love; bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above:

Refrain

Words: French, Edmund Budry (1854–1932) Tr. Richard Hoyle (1875–1939) Music: MACCABAEUS George Frideric Handel (1685–1759) Descant by Stephen Moore (b.1985)

THE DISMISSAL AND BLESSING

Give thanks to the Lord for he is gracious:

All his love is everlasting.

God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

God of truth, we have seen with our eyes and touched with our hands the bread of life. Strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you and for each other, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

God the Father, by whose love Christ was raised from the dead, open to you who believe the gates of everlasting life.

All Amen.

God the Son, who in bursting from the grave has won a glorious victory, give you joy as you share the Easter faith.

All Amen.

God the Holy Spirit, who filled the disciples with the life of the risen Lord, empower you and fill you with Christ's peace.

All Amen.

And the

blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

A № bendith Duw hollalluog, y Tad, y Mab, a'r Ysbryd Glân a fo yn eich plith ac a drigo gyda chwi yn wastad.

All Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!



Amen.

The congregation remains standing as the Procession leaves the Cathedral.





The Dean and Chapter and all the Cathedral staff wish you a very Blesséd Easter.

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