

**YORK  
MINSTER**

The Cathedral & Metropolitan Church of St Peter in York

# **THE EUCHARIST**

**ON**

**TRINITY SUNDAY**

**Sunday 26 May 2024**

**at 11.00am**

## The Eucharist

Welcome to this service of Holy Communion on Trinity Sunday. We welcome those live-streaming from home, who share this service with those present in the Minster.

*Today's service is sung by the Choir of York Minster. The setting of the Eucharist is the COMMUNION SERVICE IN B FLAT by Sir Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924).*

*The President is the Revd Catriona Cumming, Succentor. The Preacher is the Revd Canon Dr Jennifer Smith, the Superintendent Minster of Wesley's Chapel.*



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- ◆ The Minster donates 10% of the cash and direct debits given by worshippers at this service to charity. We are currently supporting three charities: HOPE Africa, a charity which was initiated by our companion link dioceses in SA; Mustard Seed, a York Diocese based organisation which works in the poorest parts of our diocese; and a variety of Refugee charities based in the City of York. The rest of the money given at this service is used to support the mission and ministry of York Minster. Thank you for your generosity.
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# The Gathering

*A bell is rung and prayers are sung. Please stand for the Processional Hymn.*

## Processional Hymn



1. The God of Abraham praise  
who reigns enthroned above,  
Ancient of everlasting days,  
and God of love:  
Jehovah, great I AM,  
by earth and heaven confest;  
we bow and bless the sacred name  
for ever blest.

2. The God of Abraham praise  
at whose supreme command  
from earth we rise, and seek the joys  
at his right hand:  
we all on earth forsake  
its wisdom, fame, and power;  
and him our only portion make,  
our shield and tower.

3. The God who reigns on high  
the great archangels sing,  
and 'Holy, Holy, Holy,' cry,  
'almighty King!  
who was, and is the same,  
and evermore shall be:  
Jehovah, Father, great I AM,  
we worship thee.'

4. Before the Saviour's face  
the ransomed nations bow,  
o'erwhelmed at his almighty grace  
for ever new;  
he shows his prints of love —  
they kindle to a flame,  
and sound through all the worlds above  
the slaughtered Lamb.

5. The whole triumphant host  
give thanks to God on high;  
'hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,'  
they ever cry:  
hail, Abraham's God, and mine,  
(I join the heavenly lays)  
all might and majesty are thine,  
and endless praise.

*Words* AM 791, Thomas Olivers (1725–1799) based on the Hebrew *Yigdal*  
*Tune* LEONI, AM 791, Hebrew melody notated by Thomas Olivers

## The 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.**

*The President introduces the service.*

## Prayer of Preparation

**Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Prayers of Penitence

*A Minister says:*

God the Father forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy Spirit.  
Let us therefore put away all anger and bitterness,  
all slander and malice,  
and confess our sins to God our redeemer.

**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.**

*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.**

*Please remain standing as the choir sings the Gloria.*

## **Gloria in Excelsis**

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 Jesu 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, 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.

*Please remain standing.*

## The Collect

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you have given us your servants grace,  
by the confession of a true faith,  
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity  
and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity:  
keep us steadfast in this faith,  
that we may evermore be defended from all adversities;  
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.**

*Please sit.*

## The Liturgy of the Word

### Old Testament Reading

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.' The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!' Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

ISAIAH 6.1-8

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand.*

## Gradual Hymn



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| 1. Can we by searching find out God<br>or formulate his ways?<br>Can numbers measure what he is<br>or words contain his praise?            | 3. Our boastfulness is turned to shame,<br>our profit counts as loss,<br>when earthly values stand beside<br>the manger and the cross.   |
| 2. Although his being is too bright<br>for human eyes to scan,<br>his meaning lights our shadowed world<br>through Christ, the Son of Man. | 4. We there may recognise his light,<br>may kindle in its rays,<br>find there the source of penitence,<br>the starting-point for praise. |
| 5. There God breaks in upon our search,<br>makes birth and death his own:<br>He speaks to us in human terms<br>to make his glory known.    |  |

*Words* AM 269, Elizabeth Cosnett (1936–2024) © 1980, Stainer & Bell Ltd  
*Tune* ST BERNARD, AM 269, adapted from a melody in *Tochter Zion* (Cologne, 1741)

*Please sit.*

## New Testament Reading

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

ROMANS 8.12–17

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

*Please stand.*

## Gospel Reading

*The choir begins the Alleluia; the congregation then joins in the response, which is sung before and after the verse:*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!



Glorify the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
one God, who was, and who is, and who is to come, the Almighty.

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

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



There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?



‘Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

‘For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

‘Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

JOHN 3.1-17

*After the Gospel the reader says:*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*Organ*

Praise to you, O Christ.

*The organist plays a musical response to the Gospel.*

*Please sit for the sermon.*

## **Sermon**

The Revd Canon Dr Jennifer Smith, the Superintendent Minister of Wesley’s Chapel

*The organist plays a musical response to the sermon.*

*Please stand to say the Creed.*

# The Creed

Let us affirm our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**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 with these words:*

In the power of the Spirit,  
and in union with Christ,  
let us pray to the Father.

*Please sit or kneel.*

*One of these responses may be used:*

Lord, in your mercy            *OR*            Lord, hear us.  
**hear our prayer.**                                **Lord, graciously hear us.**

*The prayers may conclude:*

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

*Please stand.*

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

### The Peace

*The President introduces the Peace:*

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father.  
Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace.  
Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All are invited to exchange a sign of peace.*

## Offertory Hymn



1. I bind unto myself today  
the strong name of the Trinity,  
by invocation of the same,  
the Three in One, and One in Three.



2. I bind unto myself today  
the virtues of the star-lit heaven,  
the glorious sun's life-giving ray,  
the whiteness of the moon at even,  
the flashing of the lightning free,  
the whirling wind's tempestuous shocks,  
the stable earth, the deep salt sea  
around the old eternal rocks.

3. I bind unto myself today  
the power of God to hold and lead,  
his eye to watch, his might to stay,  
his ear to hearken to my need;  
the wisdom of my God to teach,  
his hand to guide, his shield to ward,  
the word of God to give me speech,  
his heavenly host to be my guard.

### *Choir only*

4. *Christ be with me, Christ within me,  
Christ behind me, Christ before me,  
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,  
Christ to comfort and restore me;  
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,  
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,  
Christ in hearts of all that love me,  
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.*

A - - - men.\_\_\_\_\_

5. I bind unto myself the name,  
 the strong name of the Trinity,  
 by invocation of the same,  
 the Three in One, and One in Three,  
 of whom all nature hath creation,  
 eternal Father, Spirit, Word.  
 Praise to the Lord of my salvation:  
 salvation is of Christ the Lord. Amen.

*Words* CP 203, from *St Patrick's Breastplate* (fifth-/seventh-century Gaelic)  
 attributed to St Patrick (372–466)  
*Tunes* ST PATRICK (all) AND GARTAN (choir only), CP 203, melody from the Petrie  
 collection of *Irish Music* (1903) edited by Sir Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)

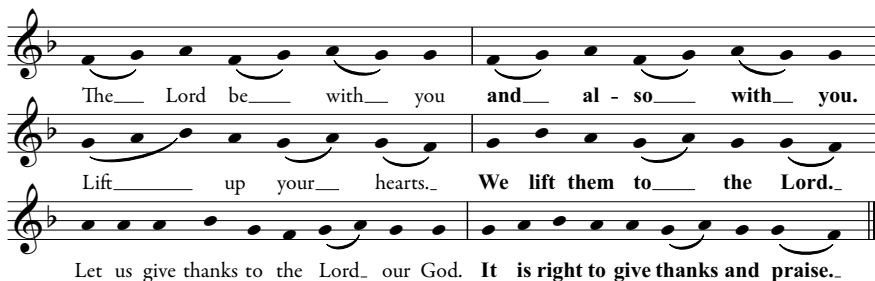
## Taking of the Bread and Wine

*This prayer is said as the gifts are presented:*

Holy God,  
holy and strong,  
holy and immortal,  
give us the bread of everlasting life,  
and make us branches of the true vine.  
**Amen.**

## The Eucharistic Prayer

*The following dialogue is said or sung:*



The\_\_ Lord be\_\_ with\_\_ you and\_\_ al - so\_\_ with\_\_ you.  
Lift\_\_\_\_\_ up your\_\_ hearts.. **We lift them to\_\_ the Lord..**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord.. our God. **It is right to give thanks and praise..**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.  
For with your only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit  
you are one God, one Lord.  
All that you reveal of your glory,  
the same we believe of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit, without any difference or inequality.  
We, your holy Church, acclaim you,  
Father of majesty unbounded,  
your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,  
and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.  
Three Persons we adore,  
one in being and equal in majesty.  
And so with angels and archangels,  
with cherubim and seraphim,  
we sing for ever of your glory:

*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.

*If comfortable please remain standing, otherwise please feel welcome to sit or kneel.*

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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

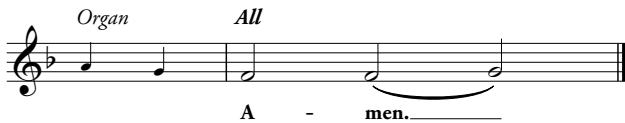
*Organ*



Christ has died: Christ is ris - en: Christ will come\_\_ a-gain.

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,  
Peter the Apostle, William of York, 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.



*A short silence is kept.*

## The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as 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, saying:*

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

*The President says an invitation to communion:*

God's holy gifts

for God's holy people.

**Jesus Christ is holy,  
Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.**

*If you have remained standing, please now sit or kneel while making your preparation to receive communion and for prayerful reflection afterwards.*

*During the distribution of Communion 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.

*and*

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and stand with fear and trembling, and lift itself above all earthly thought. For the King of kings and Lord of lords, Christ our God, cometh forth to be our oblation, and to be given for food to the faithful. Before him come the choirs of angels, with every principality and power, the Cherubim with many eyes, and winged Seraphim, who veil their faces as they shout exultingly the hymn: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*Words* Liturgy of St James

*Music* Sir Edward Bairstow (1874–1946)

*Communion is administered at a number of places. You will be guided by the Stewards.*

## Prayer after Communion

*Please stand.*

*The President says:*

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:  
hold us firm in this faith,  
that we may know you in all your ways  
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,  
who are three Persons yet one God,  
now and for ever.

**Amen.**

**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.**

## Hymn



1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;  
holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessèd Trinity!
2. Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert and art and evermore shall be.
3. Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye made blind by sin thy glory may not see,  
only thou art holy, there is none beside thee  
perfect in power, in love, and purity.
4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
all thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;  
holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessèd Trinity!

*Words* AM 276, Reginald Heber (1783–1826)

*Tune* NICAEA, AM 276, The Revd John Bacchus Dykes (1823–1876)

# The Dismissal

*Please remain standing.*

*The President says:*

God the Father,  
who first loved us and made us accepted in the beloved Son,  
bless you. **Amen.**

God the Son,  
who loved us and washed us from our sins in his own blood,  
bless you. **Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit,  
who sheds abroad the love of God in our hearts,  
bless you. **Amen.**

The blessing of the one true God,  
to whom be all love and all glory for time and for eternity,  
come down upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*The Deacon says or sings:*

Organ Deacon

Go in the peace of Christ.

*Everyone responds:*

Organ All

Thanks be to God.

## Recessional Psalm

*Psalm 150 is sung by the choir as the procession leaves.*

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