



THE EUCHARIST

ON THE

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Sunday 27 March 2022
at 11.00am

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

Today's services are sung by the Choir of York Minster. The setting of the Eucharist is the MISSA BREVIS by John Rutter.

The Preacher is the Revd Dr Victoria Johnson, Precentor.

Information about this Service

- ◆ York Minster is keeping a number of safety measures in place to help keep our worshippers, visitors, staff and volunteers safe.
- ◆ Hand sanitisers are placed around the building for use at any time.
- ◆ We have various measures to enable people to enter and exit the building safely.
- ◆ Please follow the safety announcements and directions of our Stewards to help everyone stay safe this winter.
- ◆ Currently, Holy Communion is administered in one kind only. If you normally receive communion in your own church, you are very welcome to receive communion here. If you do not wish to take communion but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward and let the minister know.
- ◆ Gluten-free communion wafers are available from the communion station at the front, nearest the altar. Please follow the directions of the Stewards. When the time comes to receive communion, please ask the minister for a gluten-free wafer.
- ◆ This service is being live-streamed, but care is taken to focus on the clergy and not the congregation. For licensing and safeguarding reasons, please do not record this service on your own devices.
- ◆ If you would like to make a donation to support the mission and ministry of York Minster, there are contactless donation points and collection boxes available as you leave.

Please join in saying together the words printed in bold type.

The Gathering

The Litany

A bell is rung. Please stand as the choir sings the Litany in procession. In this season of penitence you are invited to use this time to seek God's mercy.

O God the Father, of heaven:
have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

*O God the Father, of heaven:
have mercy upon us miserable sinners.*

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world:
have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

*O God the Son, Redeemer of the world:
have mercy upon us miserable sinners.*

O God the Holy Ghost,
proceeding from the Father and the Son:
have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

*O God the Holy Ghost,
proceeding from the Father and the Son:
have mercy upon us miserable sinners.*

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three persons and one God:
have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

*O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three persons and one God:
have mercy upon us miserable sinners.*

Remember not, Lord our offences,
nor the offences of our forefathers;
neither take thou vengeance of our sins:
spare us, good Lord, spare thy people,
whom thou hast redeemed
with thy most precious blood,
and be not angry with us for ever.

Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and mischief; from sin,
from the crafts and assaults of the devil;
from thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation,
Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation;
by thy holy Nativity and Circumcision;
by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,
Good Lord, deliver us.

By thine Agony and bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion;
by thy precious Death and Burial;
by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension;
and by the coming of the Holy Ghost,
Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our wealth;
in the hour of death, and at the day of judgement,
Good Lord, deliver us.

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God;
and that it may please thee to rule and govern
thy holy Church universal in the right way;
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to keep and strengthen in the true worshipping of thee,
in righteousness and holiness of life,
thy servant Elizabeth, our most gracious Queen and Governor;
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons,
with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word;
and that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth,
and shew it accordingly;
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to endue the High Court of Parliament
and all the Ministers of the Crown, with grace, wisdom, and understanding;
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people;
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord;
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth
all such as have erred, and are deceived;
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand;
and to comfort and help the weak-hearted; and to raise up them that fall;
and finally to beat down Satan under our feet;
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all men;
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true repentance;
to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances;
and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit
to amend our lives according to thy holy Word;
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God: we beseech thee to hear us.
Son of God: we beseech thee to hear us.

Music Henry Loosemore (c. 1607–70)

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.

Please remain standing.

Prayers of Penitence

A Minister says:

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart God will not despise.
Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion,
and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

**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 choir sings:

Kyrie eleison. *Lord, have mercy upon us.*
Christe eleison. *Christ, have mercy upon us.*
Kyrie eleison. *Lord, have mercy upon us.*

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.

The Collect

The President says:

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Merciful Lord,
absolve your people from their offences,
that through your bountiful goodness
we may all be delivered from the chains of those sins
which by our frailty we have committed;
grant this, heavenly Father,
for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour,
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 First Book of Samuel.

In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, 'I have asked him of the Lord.'

The man Elkanah and all his household went up to offer to the Lord the yearly sacrifice, and to pay his vow. But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, 'As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring him, that he may appear in the presence of the Lord, and remain there for ever; I will offer him as a nazirite for all time.' Her husband Elkanah said to her, 'Do what seems best to you, wait until you have weaned him; only—may the Lord establish his word.' So the woman remained and nursed her son, until she weaned him. When she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine. She brought him to the house of the Lord at Shiloh; and the child was young. Then they slaughtered the bull, and they

brought the child to Eli. And she said, 'Oh, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence, praying to the Lord. For this child I prayed; and the Lord has granted me the petition that I made to him. Therefore I have lent him to the Lord; as long as he lives, he is given to the Lord.'

She left him there for the Lord.

I SAMUEL I.20—end

At the end of the reading:

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gradual Hymn



1. We sing the praise of him who died,
of him who died upon the cross;
the sinner's hope let men deride,
for this we count the world but loss.
2. Inscribed upon the cross we see
in shining letters, 'God is love;'
he bears our sins upon the Tree;
he brings us mercy from above.
3. The Cross! it takes our guilt away;
it holds the fainting spirit up;
it cheers with hope the gloomy day,
and sweetens ev'ry bitter cup.
4. It makes the coward spirit brave,
and nerves the feeble arm for fight;
it takes its terror from the grave,
and gilds the bed of death with light:
5. The balm of life, the cure of woe,
the measure and the pledge of love,
the sinner's refuge here below,
the angels' theme in heaven above.

Words Thomas Kelly (1769–1854)

Tune BOW BRICKHILL, NEH 94, Sydney H Nicholson (1875–1947)

Please sit.

New Testament Reading

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Colossians.

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

COLOSSIANS 3.12-17

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gospel Reading

The Gospel may be heralded by music played on the organ.

When the Gospel is announced the reader says:

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

LUKE 19.25b-27

After the Gospel the reader says:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The organist plays a musical response to the Gospel reading.

Please sit.

Sermon

The Revd Dr Victoria Johnson, Precentor

The organist plays a musical response to the sermon.

Please stand.

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.**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The President introduces the Peace:

Since we are justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has given us access to his grace.

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

Members of the congregation are invited to exchange a sign of peace.

Preparation of the Table

The Offertory Hymn is sung, during which the gifts of the people are gathered and presented. The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

Offertory Hymn



1. God is love: let heav'n adore him;
God is love: let earth rejoice;
let creation sing before him,
and exalt him with one voice.
He who laid the earth's foundation,
he who spread the heav'ns above,
he who breathes through all creation,
he is love, eternal love.

2. God is love: and he enfoldeth
all the world in one embrace;
with unfailing grasp he holdeth
every child of every race.
And when human hearts are breaking
under sorrow's iron rod,
then they find that selfsame aching
deep within the heart of God.

3. God is love: and though with blindness
sin afflicts souls of men,
God's eternal loving-kindness
holds and guides them even then.
Sin and death and hell shall never
o'er us final triumph gain;
God is love, so love for ever
o'er the universe must reign.

Words NEH 364, Timothy Rees (1874–1939)

Tune BLAENWERN, NEH 408, William Rowlands (1860–1937)

Taking of the Bread and Wine

This prayer is said as the gifts are presented.

God of our journey,
as we walk with you on your path of obedience,
sustain us on our way and lead us to your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The following dialogue is said or sung:

The musical notation consists of three staves of music in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The first staff has the lyrics: "The Lord be with you and also with you." The second staff has the lyrics: "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The third staff has the lyrics: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give thanks and praise." The music is written in a simple, melodic style with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat.

It is indeed right and good
to give you thanks and praise,
almighty God and everlasting Father,
through Jesus Christ your Son.
For in these forty days
you lead us into the desert of repentance
that through a pilgrimage of prayer and discipline
we may grow in grace
and learn to be your people once again.
Through fasting, prayer and acts of service
you bring us back to your generous heart.
Through study of your holy word
you open our eyes to your presence in the world
and free our hands to welcome others
into the radiant splendour of your love.

As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast
with joyful hearts and minds
we bless you for your mercy
and join with saints and angels
for ever praising you and singing:

The choir sings:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,
Dominus Deus Sabaoth,
pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.

*Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.*

Benedictus qui venit
in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.

*Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

The congregation is invited 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.

This acclamation is used:

Jesus Christ is Lord:

**Lord, by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.**

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.

Amen.

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.**

The body and blood of Christ keep you in eternal life.

During the distribution of Communion the choir sings:

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: *Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.*
miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: *Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.*
dona nobis pacem.

and

O sacrum convivium in quo Christus sumitur; recolitur memoria passionis eius mens impletur gratia; et futurae gloriae nobis pignus datur.

O sacred banquet in which Christ is received, the memory of his Passion is renewed, the mind filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given to us.

Words Magnificat antiphon, second vespers of Corpus Christi
Music Olivier Messiaen (1908–92)

Prayer after Communion

The congregation stands.

The President says:

Lord God,
whose blessed Son our Saviour
gave his back to the smiters
and did not hide his face from shame:
give us grace to endure the sufferings of this present time
with sure confidence in the glory that shall be revealed;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

All then say together:

**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. King of glory, King of peace,
I will love thee;
and that love may never cease,
I will move thee.
Thou hast granted my request,
thou hast heard me;
thou didst note my working breast,
thou hast spared me.

2. Wherefore with my utmost art
I will sing thee,
and the cream of all my heart
I will bring thee.
Though my sins against me cried,
thou didst clear me;
and alone, when they replied,
thou didst hear me.

3. Seven whole days, not one in seven,
I will praise thee;
in my heart, though not in heaven,
I can raise thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort
to enrol thee:
E'en eternity's too short
to extol thee.

Words George Herbert (1593–1632)

Tune GWALCHMAI, NEH 391, John David Jones (1827–70)

The Dismissal

The Blessing

The President says:

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,
to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

A Minister says:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Verses from THE LENT PROSE are sung as the procession leaves.

Chorister Recruitment

York Minster and St Peter's School York, are searching for a school girl, currently in Year 3, to audition for the world famous Choir of York Minster and the chance to receive an outstanding education at St Peter's School, York starting in September. Formal singing experience is not required for the auditions: a love of singing is all that is needed.

The auditions held earlier this year resulted in a full complement of boy choristers but one role remains unfilled for the girls.

In addition to developing their musical skills, training as a chorister helps children to develop lifelong skills such as self-discipline, being organised, concentration, poise and attention to detail. This is a unique opportunity for a girl to have a superb education and to play a part in the life of one of the most important and beautiful cathedrals in the world.

York Minster's choristers receive an excellent education at St Peter's School, which, like York Minster, was founded in 627AD. It is the fourth oldest school in the world. The Chapter of York provides a bursary for each chorister worth 60% of their school fees with means-tested funding potentially increasing the level of funding to 100%.

For more information about the chorister audition process and to apply online go to: www.stpetersyork.org.uk/admissions/chorister-admissions.

For an application pack and more details, contact Sara Bath, Master's PA, on 01904 527391 or email s.bath@stpetersyork.org.uk.