

# THE EUCHARIST

ON

## THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sunday 30 July 2023 at 11.00am

#### The Eucharist

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

Today's service is sung by Schola Liturgica. The setting of the Eucharist is the Communion Service in A flat by Basil Harwood (1859–1949).

The President is the Revd Dr Victoria Johnson, Canon Precentor.

The Preacher is the Rt Revd Greg Rickel, Assisting Bishop, Diocese of Southeast Florida, USA.









#### Information about this Service

- Please join in singing the congregational responses, as well as in saying together the words printed in bold type.
- This service is being live-streamed, but care is taken to focus on the clergy and choir and not the congregation.
- Please follow the directions of the stewards.
- For licensing and safeguarding reasons, please do not record this service on your own devices.
- If you do not wish to take communion but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward and let the minister know.
- It is the custom at the Minster to receive the wine from the chalice only and not to intinct; please do not dip the wafer into the wine.
- 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.

# The Gathering

Please stand for the Processional Hymn.

#### **Processional Hymn**



- God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power; now fulfil thy church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower.
   Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour.
- Lo, the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways; from the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise.
   Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days.
- 3. Cure thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to thy control; shame our wanton selfish gladness, rich in goods and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.
- 4. Set our feet on lofty places, gird our lives that they may be armoured with all Christlike graces in the fight till all be free. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, that we fail not earth nor thee.

Words AM 648, Harry Emerson Fosdick (1878–1969)
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Tune Westminster Abbey, AM 648ii, Henry Purcell (1659–95)

### 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:

My brothers and sisters, as we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ in word and sacrament, let us call to mind and confess our sins.

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 word, 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, receiver 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 Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, 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 Kings.

At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, 'Ask what I should give you.' And Solomon said, 'You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart towards you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?'

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, 'Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning

mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you.'

1 KINGS 3.5-12

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

Please stand.

#### Gradual Hymn



- I. Lord, I have made thy word my choice, my lasting heritage:
- there shall my noblest powers rejoice, my warmest thoughts engage.
- I'll read the histories of thy love, and keep thy laws in sight, while through the promises I rove with ever-fresh delight.
- 3. 'Tis a broad land of wealth unknown, where springs of life arise, seeds of immortal bliss are sown, and hidden glory lies.

Words AM 382, Isaac Watts (1674–1748)
Tune BILLING, AM 382, Richard Runciman Terry (1865–1938)

Please sit.

### **New Testament Reading**

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, 'For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.'

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

ROMANS 8.26-39

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!



I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord. No one comes to the Father except through me.

#### Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Lord be with you and also with you.

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



Jesus put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.'

He told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.

'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

'Have you understood all this?' They answered, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.'

MATTHEW 13.31-33, 44-52

After the Gospel the reader says:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The organist plays a musical response to the Gospel.

Please sit for the sermon.

#### Sermon

The Rt Revd Greg Rickel, Assisting Bishop, Diocese of Southeast Florida, USA

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 hear our prayer.

OR

Lord, hear us.

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:

Christ is our peace.
He has reconciled us to God
in one body by the cross.
We meet in his name and share his peace.

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



 Love is his word, love is his way, feasting with all, fasting alone, living and dying, rising again; love, only love, is his way.

Richer than gold is the love of my Lord, better than splendour and wealth.

 Love is his way, love is his mark, sharing his last Passover feast,
 Christ at the table, host to the twelve; love, only love, is his mark.

Richer than gold...

3. Love is his mark, love is his sign, bread for our strength, wine for our joy, 'This is my body, this is my blood.' Love, only love, is his sign.

Richer than gold...

4. Love is his sign, love is his news, 'Do this,' he said, 'lest you forget all my deep sorrow, all my dear blood.' Love, only love, is his news.

Richer than gold...

5. Love is his news, love is his name, we are his own, chosen and called, sisters and brothers, parents and kin. Love, only love, is his name.

Richer than gold...

6. Love is his name, love is his law, hear his command, all who are his:'Love one another; I have loved you.'Love, only love, is his law.

Richer than gold...

7. Love is his law, love is his word: love of the Lord, Father and Word, love of the Spirit, God ever one; love, only love, is his word.

Richer than gold...

Words AM 454, Luke Connaughton (1917–1979)
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Tune Cresswell, AM 454, Anthony Milner (1925–2002)

### Taking of the Bread and Wine

This prayer is said as the gifts are presented:

As the grain once scattered in the fields and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside are now reunited on this table in bread and wine, so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together from the corners of the earth into your kingdom.

Amen.

### The Eucharistic Prayer

The following dialogue is said or sung:



Let us give thanks to the Lord\_ our God. It is right to give thanks and praise.\_

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. From sunrise to sunset this day is holy, for Christ has risen from the tomb and scattered the darkness of death with light that will not fade. This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people, unfolds for us your word, and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread. And though the night will overtake this day you summon us to live in endless light, the never-ceasing sabbath of the Lord. And so, with choirs of angels and with all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join their unending song of praise:

#### 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:



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

God be in my head, and in my understanding; God be in my eyes, and in my looking; God be in my mouth, and in my speaking; God be in my heart, and in my thinking; God be at mine end, and at my departing.

Words Sarum Primer, 1558 Music Herbert Howells (1892–1983) Communion is administered at a number of places. You will be guided by the Stewards.

### **Prayer after Communion**

Please stand.

The President says:

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you 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



- I. 'The kingdom is upon you!' the voice of Jesus cries, fulfilling with its message the wisdom of the wise; it lightens with fresh insight the striving human mind, creating new dimensions of faith for all to find.
- 2. 'God's kingdom is upon you!'
  the message sounds today,
  it summons every pilgrim
  to take the questing way,
  with eyes intent on Jesus,
  our leader and our friend,
  who trod faith's road before us,
  and trod it to the end.
- 3. The kingdom is upon us!
  Stirred by the Spirit's breath,
  we glory in its freedom
  from emptiness and death;
  we celebrate its purpose,
  its mission and its goal,
  alive with the conviction
  that Christ can make us whole.

Words AM 795, Robert Willis (b 1947)
Tune WOLVERCOTE, AM 795, William Harold Ferguson (1872–1950)

#### The Dismissal

Please remain standing.

The President says:

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

The Deacon says or sings:



Everyone responds:



#### Voluntary

Allegro Maestoso and Fugue (from *Sonata No 2*)

Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)

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