YORK MINSTER

The Cathedral & Metropolitical Church of St Peter in York

FESTAL EUCHARIST

ON

ALL SAINTS' DAY

Sunday 1st November 2026

at 11.00am

The Eucharist

Welcome to this service of Holy Communion on All Saints' Day. Today's service is sung by the Choir of York Minster. The setting of the Eucharist is the Missa brevis by Becky McGlade (*b* 1974). The President is the Reverend Tom Mumford, Honorary Minor Canon. The Preacher is the Reverend Canon Timothy Goode, Congregational Discipleship and Nurture.

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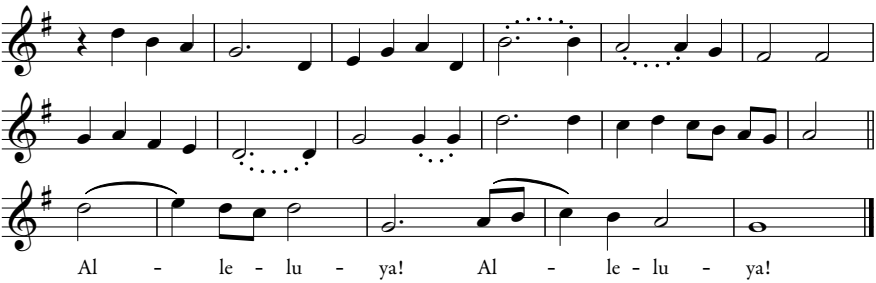
The Gathering

Prayers are sung. Stand for the Processional Hymn.

Processional Hymn



1. For all the Saints who from their labours rest,
who thee by faith before the world confest,
thy name, O Jesu, be for ever blest. *Alleluya! Alleluya!*

2. Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress, and their Might;
thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
thou in the darkness drear their one true Light. *Alleluya!* . . .

3. O blest communion! fellowship divine!
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. *Alleluya!* . . .

4. And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph-song,
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluya! . . .

5. But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
the Saints triumphant rise in bright array:
the King of glory passes on his way. *Alleluya!* . . .

6. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost. *Alleluya!* . . .

Words NEH 197, William Walsham How (1823–1897)
Tune SINE NOMINE, NEH 197, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)

The Greeting

The President says:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Rejoice, people of God, praise the Lord!
Let us keep the feast in honour of all God's saints,
in whose victory the angels rejoice and glorify the Son of God.

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

The President introduces the service.

Prayers of Penitence

A Deacon says:

Since we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses,
let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely,
looking to Jesus in penitence and faith.

Father,
we have sinned against heaven and against you.
We are not worthy to be called your children.
We turn to you again.
Have mercy on us,
bring us back to yourself
as those who once were dead
but now have life through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The President says:

God our Father forgive you your sins,
and bring you to the fellowship of his table
with his saints for ever.
Amen.

Remain standing as the choir sings the Gloria.
Children's Church please follow the cross.

Gloria in Excelsis

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.	*Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.*
Domine Deus, Rex coelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu 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.	*Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.*
Quoniam tu solus sanctus, tu solus Dominus, tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.	*For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

The Collect

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Almighty God,
you have knit together your elect
in one communion and fellowship
in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord:
grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints
in all virtuous and godly living
that we may come to those inexpressible joys
that you have prepared for those who truly love you;
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.

Sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

New Testament Reading

A Reading from the First Letter of John.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

1 John 3.1–3

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

Stand.

Gradual Hymn

Turn to face the Deacon as the Gospel Procession moves down the Nave.

1. The Church triumphant in thy love,
   their mighty joys we know;
they sing the Lamb in hymns above,
   and we in hymns below.

2. Thee in thy glorious realm they praise,
   and bow before thy throne;
we in the kingdom of thy grace:
   the kingdoms are but one.

3. The holy to the holiest leads:
   from hence our spirits rise,
and he that in thy statutes treads
   shall meet thee in the sky.

Words NEH 198, Charles Wesley (1707–1788)
Tune Eatington, NEH 198, William Croft (1678–1727)

Remain standing.

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!

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood,
a holy nation, God's own people,
called out of darkness into his marvellous light.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
'Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
'Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
'Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
'Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.'

Matthew 5.1–12

After the Gospel the Deacon says:
This is the Gospel of the Lord.

The organist plays a musical response to the Gospel.

Sit for the sermon.

Sermon

The Reverend Canon Timothy Goode,
Congregational Discipleship and Nurture

The organist plays a musical response to the sermon.

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:

United in the company of all the faithful
and looking for the coming of the kingdom,
let us offer our prayers to God,
the source of all life and holiness.

Sit or kneel.

This response is used:

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

The President concludes with these words:

We give you thanks
for the whole company of your saints in glory,
with whom in fellowship we join our prayers and praises;
by your grace may we, like them, be made perfect in your love.

Blessing and glory and wisdom,
thanksgiving and honour and power,
be to our God for ever and ever.Amen.

Stand.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The President introduces the Peace:

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God,
through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace
to those who were far off and those who were near.

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

A Deacon says:

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All are invited to exchange a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn

during which a collection is taken for the work of York Minster and the charities it supports.

1. Who are these, like stars appearing,
   these before God's throne who stand?
each a golden crown is wearing;
   who are all this glorious band?
Alleluya, hark! they sing,
   praising loud their heavenly King.

2. Who are these of dazzling brightness,
   these in God's own truth arrayed,
clad in robes of purest whiteness,
   robes whose lustre ne'er shall fade,
ne'er be touched by time's rude hand—
   whence comes all this glorious band?

3. These are they who have contended
for their Saviour's honour long,
wrestling on till life was ended,
following not the sinful throng;
these, who well the fight sustained,
triumph through the Lamb have gained.

4. These are they whose hearts were riven,
sore with woe and anguish tried,
who in prayer full oft have striven
with the God they glorified;
now, their painful conflict o'er,
God has bid them weep no more.

5. These like priests have watched and waited,
offering up to Christ their will,
soul and body consecrated,
day and night to serve him still:
now, in God's most holy place
blest they stand before his face.

Words NEH 231, German, Heinrich Theobald Schenck (1656–1727)
translated into English by Frances Cox (1812–1897)
Tune ALL SAINTS, NEH 231, melody from *Geistreiches Gesangbuch* (Darmstadt, 1698)

Taking of the Bread and Wine

Let us pray.

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 Lord be with you
and also 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,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
And now we give you thanks, most gracious God,
surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses
and glorified in the assembly of your saints.
The glorious company of apostles praise you.
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.
The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.
We, your holy Church, acclaim you.
In communion with angels and archangels,
and with all who served you on earth
and worship you now in heaven,
we raise our voice to proclaim your glory,
for ever praising you and singing:

The choir sings:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,	*Holy, holy, holy Lord,*
Dominus Deus Sabaoth,	*God of power and might,*
pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.	*heaven and earth are full of your glory.*
Hosanna in excelsis.	*Hosanna in the highest.*
Benedictus qui venit in nomine	*Blessed is he who comes in the name*
Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.	*of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

Remain standing.

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.

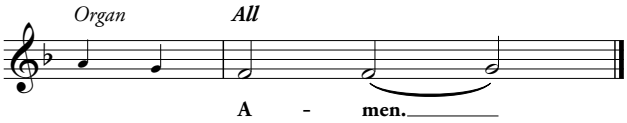
A Deacon says:

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

With saints and martyrs through the ages,
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:

I heard the voice of a great multitude crying, 'Alleluia.'
The Lord our God has entered into his kingdom.
Blessed are those who are called
to the supper of the Lamb.

Sit or kneel whilst making your preparation to receive communion and for prayerful reflection afterwards.

During the distribution of communion the choir sings:

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

and

Holy is the true light, and passing wonderful, lending radiance to them that endured in the heat of the conflict; from Christ they inherit a home of unfading splendour, wherein they rejoice with gladness evermore.

Words Salisbury Diurnal
Music Philip Moore (*b* 1943) Master of the Music, York Minster, 1983–2008

Communion is administered at a number of places. You will be guided by the stewards. If your child has been at Children's Church, please collect them now.

Prayer after Communion

Stand.

The President says:

Let us pray.

Lord of heaven,
in this eucharist you have brought us near
to an innumerable company of angels
and to the spirits of the saints made perfect:
as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage
we have shared their fellowship,
so may we come to share their joy in heaven;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Remain standing.

Hymn

1. For all thy saints, O Lord,
who strove in thee to live,
who followed thee, obeyed, adored,
our grateful hymn receive.

2. For all thy saints, O Lord,
who strove in thee to die,
and counted thee their great reward,
accept our thankful cry.

3. O Lord, thy name we bless,
and humbly pray that we
may follow them in holiness
who lived and died in thee.

4. Thine earthly members fit
to join thy saints above,
in one communion ever knit,
one fellowship of love.

5. All praise to thee, O Lord,
the Father and the Son
and Holy Spirit, God adored
while endless ages run.

Words NEH 224, Richard Mant (1776–1848)
Tune MOUNT EPHRAIM, NEH 224, Benjamin Milgrove (1713–1810)

The Dismissal

Remain standing.

The President says:

May God, who kindled the fire of his love in the hearts of the saints,
pour upon you the riches of his grace. **Amen.**

May he give you joy in their fellowship
and a share in their praises. **Amen.**

May he strengthen you to follow them in the way of holiness
and to come to the full radiance of glory. **Amen.**

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:

Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Recessional Psalm

Psalm 150 is sung by the choir as the procession leaves:

O praise God in his holiness ♦ praise him in the firmament of his power.

Praise him in his noble acts ♦ praise him according to his excellent greatness.

Praise him in the sound of the trumpet ♦ praise him upon the lute and harp.

Praise him in the cymbals and dances ♦ praise him upon the strings and pipe.

Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals ♦ praise him upon the loud cymbals.

Let every thing that hath breath ♦ praise the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son ♦ and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be ♦ world without end. Amen.

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