



The Cathedral & Metropolitan Church of St Peter in York

THE EUCHARIST

ON THE

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sunday 20th September 2026
at 11.00am

The Eucharist

Welcome to this service of Holy Communion on the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity. Today's service is sung by the Choir of York Minster. The setting of the Eucharist is the *MASS IN G* by Franz Schubert (1797–1828). The President is the Reverend Eleanor Launders-Brown, Succentor. The Preacher is Canon Peter Collier, Cathedral Reader.



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The Gathering

Prayers are sung.

Stand for the Processional Hymn.

Processional Hymn



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| 1. Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven;
to his feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who like me his praise should sing?
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise the everlasting King. | 3. Father-like, he tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Widely as his mercy flows. |
| 2. Praise him for his grace and favour
to our forebears in distress;
praise him still the same for ever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Glorious in his faithfulness. | 4. Angels, help us to adore him;
ye behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before him;
dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise with us the God of grace. |

Words NEH 436, Henry Francis Lyte (1793–1847) alt.

Tune PRAISE, MY SOUL, NEH 436, Sir John Goss (1800–1880)

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.

Prayers of Penitence

A Deacon 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.

Remain standing as the choir sings the Gloria.

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.

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.

Quoniam tu solus sanctus,
tu solus Dominus,
tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe,
cum Sancto Spiritu,
in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

*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.*

*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.*

*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.

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers
of your people who call upon you;
and grant that they may both perceive and know
what things they ought to do,
and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them;
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 Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well— since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

PHILIPPIANS 1.21–30

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. Help us to help each other, Lord,
 each other's cross to bear;
let each a friendly aid afford,
 and feel another's care.
2. Up into thee, our living head,
 let us in all things grow,
and by thy sacrifice be led
 the fruits of love to show.
3. Touched by the lodestone of thy love
 let all our hearts agree;
and ever towards each other move,
 and ever move towards thee.
4. This is the bond of perfectness,
 thy spotless charity.
O let us still, we pray, possess
 the mind that was in thee.

Words AM 657, Charles Wesley (1707–1788) alt.

Tune DUNFERMLINE, AM 657, *Scottish Psalter* (1615)

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!



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 said to his disciples: "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?" They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard." When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first." When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for

the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'

MATTHEW 20.1-16

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

Canon Peter Collier, Cathedral Reader

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:

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

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 President concludes with these words:

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Peter, St William of York and of all your saints, we commend ourselves and the whole creation to your unfailing love.

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

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.

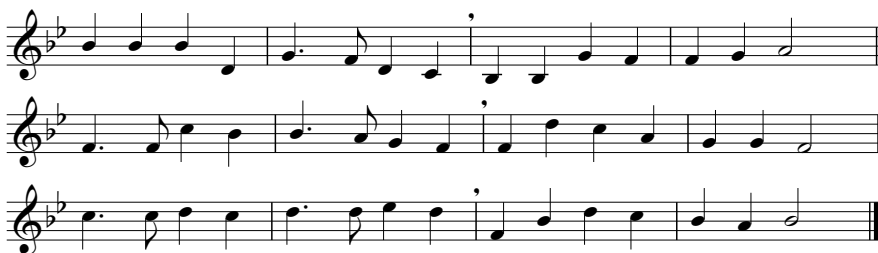
A Deacon says:

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. Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour, first-begotten from the dead, thou alone, our strong defender, liftest up thy people's head. Alleluya, alleluya, Jesu, true and living bread!	3. Though the lowliest form doth veil thee as of old in Bethlehem, here as there thine angels hail thee, Branch and Flower of Jesse's stem. Alleluya, alleluya, we in worship join with them.
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2. Here our humblest homage pay we; here in loving reverence bow; here for Faith's discernment pray we, lest we fail to know thee now. Alleluya, alleluya, thou art here, we ask not how.	4. Paschal Lamb, thine Offering, finished once for all when thou wast slain, in its fulness undiminished shall for evermore remain, Alleluya, alleluya, cleansing souls from every stain.
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5. Life-imparting heavenly Manna,
Stricken Rock with streaming side,
heaven and earth with loud hosanna
worship thee, the Lamb who died,
Alleluya, alleluya,
risen, ascended, glorified!

Words NEH 296, George Hugh Bourne (1840–1925)

Music ST HELEN, NEH 296i, Sir George Clement Martin (1844–1916)

Taking of the Bread and Wine

Let us pray.

Gracious God,
accept the offering of your Church,
the hearts of your people
joined in praise and thanksgiving,
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer



The musical notation consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains the lyrics: "The Lord be with you and al - so with you." The second staff contains the lyrics: "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The third staff contains the lyrics: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give thanks and praise."

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 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:

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.*

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:



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.**

*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: *Lamb of God, you take away the sin of
miserere nobis. the world, have mercy on us.*

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

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

Prayer after Communion

Stand.

The President says:

Let us pray.

Almighty God,
you have taught us through your Son
that love is the fulfilling of the law:
grant that we may love you with our whole heart
and our neighbours as ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.**

Remain standing.

Hymn



1. Thy kingdom come! on bended knee
the passing ages pray;
and faithful souls have yearned to see
on earth that kingdom's day.
2. But the slow watches of the night
not less to God belong;
and for the everlasting right
the silent stars are strong.
3. And lo, already on the hills
the flags of dawn appear;
gird up your loins, ye prophet souls,
proclaim the day is near:
4. The day in whose clear-shining light
all wrong shall stand revealed,
when justice shall be throned in might,
and every hurt be healed;
5. When knowledge, hand in hand with peace,
shall walk the earth abroad:
the day of perfect righteousness,
the promised day of God.

Words NEH 500, Frederick Hosmer (1840–1929)

Tune IRISH, NEH 500, composer unknown

present version of melody from *A Collection of Hymns* (Dublin, 1749)

The Dismissal

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:

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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