

The Cathedral Eucharist

Sunday 3rd August, 2025

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity



The President today is the Reverend Kate Massey, Canon for Arts and Reconciliation. The Deacon is the Reverend Nitano Muller, Canon for Worship and Welcome. The Reverend Su McClellan, Cathedral Associate Minister, is the sub-deacon and preacher.

We are delighted to be joined by the choir of Holy Trinity, Southport. The choir is directed by Daniel Mansfield, and the organist is Frederick Harvey. The setting today is Little Organ Mass by Franz Joseph Haydn (1732-1809).

Opening Hymn

Alleluia, sing to Jesus!
his the sceptre, his the throne;
Alleluia, his the triumph,
his the victory alone:
hark, the songs of peaceful Sion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia, not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia, he is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how:
though the cloud from sight received him,
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise,
"I am with you evermore"?

**Alleluia, bread of angels,
thou on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia, here the sinful
flee to thee from day to day:
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.**

**Alleluia, King eternal,
thee the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluia, born of Mary,
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:
thou within the veil hast entered,
robed in flesh, our great High Priest;
thou on earth both Priest and Victim
in the eucharistic feast.**

*Words by William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)
Tune CP 278 Hyfrydol melody by R.H. Pritchard (1811-1887)*

The Collect

Lord of all power and might,
The author and giver of all good things:
graft in our hearts the love of your name,
increase in us true religion,
nourish us with all goodness,
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;
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 forever.
Amen.

The First Reading

Read by Mine Biller, representing the Cathedral Interns.

A reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians.

¹ So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³ for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. ⁵ Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). ⁶ On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. ⁷ These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. ⁸ But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. ⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. ¹¹ In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

Colossians 3:1-11

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord.

I know them, and they follow me.

cf John 10.27

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Gospel Reading

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

Glory to you O Lord.

¹³Someone in the crowd said to him, ‘Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.’ ¹⁴But he said to him, ‘Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?’ ¹⁵And he said to them, ‘Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.’ ¹⁶Then he told them a parable: ‘The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷And he thought to himself, “What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?”’ ¹⁸Then he said, “I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.”’ ²⁰But God said to him, “You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?”’ ²¹So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.’

Luke 12:13-21

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Offertory Hymn

**O Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
be thou for ever near me,
my Master and my Friend:
I shall not fear the battle
if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway
if thou wilt be my guide.**

O let me feel thee near me:
the world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle,
the tempting sounds I hear;
my foes are ever near me,
around me and within;
but, Jesus, draw thou nearer,
and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear thee speaking
in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion,
the murmurs of self-will;
O speak to reassure me,
to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen,
thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised
to all who follow thee,
that where thou art in glory
there shall thy servant be;
and, Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow,
my Master and my Friend.

O let me see thy foot-marks,
and in them plant mine own;
my hope to follow duly
is in thy strength alone:
O guide me, call me, draw me,
uphold me to the end;
and then in heaven receive me,
my Saviour and my Friend.

Words by J.E. Bode (1816-1874)
Tune CP 538 Wolvercote W.H. Ferguson (1874-1950)

Anthem

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.

Words from the Liturgy of St James

Music by Sir Edward Bairstow (1874-1946)

Communion Hymn

**Just as I am, without one plea
but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou bidst me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
sight, riches, healing of the mind,
yea, all I need, in thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve:
because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, (thy love unknown
has broken every barrier down),
now to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, of that free love
the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,
here for a season, then above,
O Lamb of God, I come.**

*Words by Charlotte Elliott (1789-1871)
Tune CP 308i Saffron Walden A.H. Brown (1830-1926)*

Post Communion

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life,
ever giving himself that the world may live:
may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion
that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in
his love;
for he is alive and reigns, now and forever.

Amen.

Closing Hymn

**Thy kingdom come, O God,
thy rule, O Christ, begin;
break with thine iron rod
the tyrannies of sin.**

**Where is thy reign of peace
and purity and love?
When shall all hatred cease,
as in the realms above?**

**When comes the promised time
that war shall be no more,
and lust, oppression, crime
shall flee thy face before?**

**We pray thee, Lord, arise,
and come in thy great might;
revive our longing eyes,
which languish for thy sight.**

**Men scorn thy sacred name,
and wolves devour thy fold;
by many deeds of shame
we learn that love grows cold.**

**O'er lands both near and far
thick darkness broodeth yet:
arise, O morning star,
arise, and never set.**

*Words by L. Hensley (1824-1905)
Tune CP 607 St Cecilia L.G. Hayne (1836-1883)*

Voluntary

Please do stay for the organ voluntary, performed by Frederick Harvey.

Prelude and Fugue in G Major, BWV 541 by J.S. Bach (1685-1750).

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<https://www.coventrycathedral.org.uk/worship-music/services/sermons>*

*We serve refreshments at the back of the Nave after this service, so please
feel free to stay for a chat over a cup of tea or coffee!*

DAILY SERVICES AT THE CATHEDRAL:

Regular services at the Cathedral follow this pattern. For special services and up-to-date information about one-off cancellations of the services below, please check the calendar on the Cathedral website:
<https://www.coventrycathedral.org.uk/full-calendar>

Monday - Friday

8:30 – 9:00am: *Morning Prayer & Holy Communion*

12 – 12:10pm: *The Litany of Reconciliation*

(followed on Thursdays by BCP Holy Communion)

4 – 4:30pm: *Evening Prayer*

(or Wednesday and Thursday during school terms: Choral Evensong, 5:15 - 6pm)

Saturday

12 – 12:10pm: *The Litany of Reconciliation*

Sunday

10:30 – 11:45am: *The Cathedral Eucharist*

4 – 5pm: *Choral Evensong*

JOINING OUR CHOIRS

Do you know a child who loves to sing? Boys and girls between the ages of 7 and 10 are welcome to audition for the Cathedral Boys' and Girls' Choirs. They sing an average of four times per week during term time in recordings, services and concerts. Children receive a world-class music education completely free and even receive scholarship payments. Please get in touch with the Director of Music to learn more:

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Alternatively, you can contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Team led by Sarah Price: 024 7652 1345 or safeguarding@coventry.anglican.org

COMING SOON

Summer Organ Recital Series

Monday, 4th August, 12:30pm

Our 2025 summer organ recital series continues with a recital from
Pierre Zevort.

L. Marchand Grand dialogue en ut

F. Couperin Cromorne en taille

L. Vierne Cathédrales

A. Guilmant Choral et fugue (Sonata no. 5)

Details of the rest of the series can be found here:

<https://www.coventrycathedral.org.uk/worship-music/the-organ/organ-recitals>

Hiroshima Day Remembrance

Wednesday, 6 August, 6pm

This year's Hiroshima Day Remembrance will begin in the cathedral, there will be a reading of letters between Hiroshima and Coventry and the Sadako story will be told by means of a performance by pupils from Cardinal Newman Roman Catholic School. As ever there will be the making of paper cranes for peace and readings by the committee.

Proud to be Coventry Cathedral

Saturday, 9th August

We will be joining in with the Coventry Pride celebrations on Saturday 9th August 2025. The day begins with the Coventry PRIDE 2025 march.

At the time of writing, the march route and start time are yet to be confirmed, but we are anticipating it will leave from the city centre in the late morning and so we are planning to gather at the Cathedral at 10.30am. We will be donning glitter (if you wish!) and carrying a banner which reads "Proud to be Coventry Cathedral". If you would

like to participate or if you have any questions; please email

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ruth.lubranolavadera@coventry.anglican.org and we will keep you updated with plans for the day.

South-Asian Heritage Sunday

Sunday, 17 August at 10.30am

We will mark *South Asia Heritage Sunday*, celebrating the vibrant cultures and contributions of South-Asian communities within our cathedral family. We warmly encourage members of South-Asian heritage to wear traditional dress as part of the celebration. After the service, join us for a special time of fellowship featuring exciting and delicious food from across the South Asian region. All are welcome and share in the colour, flavour, and richness of this joyful occasion!

Cathedral's Summer Holiday Program

Theme: "All our Feelings"

Bring your little ones to the Cathedral over the summer to explore all we have to offer through games, crafts and fun activities for the family.

Let's Play! Brave and Afraid

7th August, 10.30am-3pm

Teddy Zipline (£2 A GO, Spectators FREE)

Bring your own Picnic!

Let's Watch and Make!

14th August, 10.30am-12.30pm

"Inside Out" (Please book online)

Let's Play! Excited and Calm

21st August, 10.30am-12pm

FREE yoga & Zumba (Please book online)

Let's Play! Together and Alone

28th August, 10.30am-12pm

FREE Games, Crafts and Activities