

Choral Evensong of Remembrance and Hope for National Grief Awareness Week



Tuesday 8 December 2020
5.30 pm

Welcome to Manchester Cathedral for this celebration of Holy Communion

Welcome to the Cathedral and Collegiate Church of St Mary, St Denys and St George in the heart of the City of Manchester. The building is the old mediaeval Parish Church of Manchester. King Henry V first granted it Collegiate status in 1421 and it became Manchester's Cathedral on the creation of the Diocese of Manchester in 1847. It is believed that there has been a church on or near this site for over a thousand years.

National Grief Awareness Week

The Cathedral Clock has been illuminated in yellow for the last week, and the tower will be lit in yellow; other faith settings will also be illuminating their buildings to mark the end of National Grief Awareness Week.

Safeguarding

Manchester Cathedral works hard to create safe environments where children and young people are protected and where all people, especially those who may be vulnerable for any reason, are able to worship and pursue their faith journey with encouragement and in safety. We follow the policies and procedures detailed within the Cathedral Safeguarding Handbook. We act promptly on any complaints made, and work in partnership with Manchester Diocese, the police and social care services whenever appropriate to do so. Details of our policy and how to voice a concern can be found on a dedicated page of our website and on the noticeboard at the south porch.

Hearing-loop

Manchester Cathedral has a hearing-loop.

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Have you turned off your mobile phone?

Please make sure that you have turned off your mobile phone and any other electronic equipment that might interrupt the service.

Photography

Please do not use cameras, photo-imaging devices or recording equipment during the service.

Musicians

The Cathedral Choir is conducted by
Geoffrey Woollatt, Sub-Organist

Music before the service

Chorale Prelude on

Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

'O Gott, du frommer Gott', Op 65 No 50

Welcome

The Dean

Greetings from the Mayor of Greater Manchester

Preces

sung by the Choir

○ Lord, open thou our lips;
And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

○ God, make speed to save us;
○ Lord, make haste to help us.

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.

Praise ye the Lord.
The Lord's name be praised.

Plainsong

The congregation sits

Psalm 42

sung by the Choir

Like as the hart desireth the water-brooks: so longeth my
soul after thee, O God.

My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God: when
shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

My tears have been my meat day and night: while they daily
say unto me, Where is now thy God?

Now when I think thereupon, I pour out my heart by myself:
for I went with the multitude, and brought them forth into
the house of God;

In the voice of praise and thanksgiving: among such as keep
holy-day.

Why art thou so full of heaviness, O my soul: and why art
thou so disquieted within me?

Put thy trust in God: for I will yet give him thanks for the help
of his countenance.

My God, my soul is vexed within me: therefore will I
remember thee concerning the land of Jordan, and the
little hill of Hermon.

One deep calleth another, because of the noise of the water-
pipes: all thy waves and storms are gone over me.

The Lord hath granted his loving-kindness in the day-time: and
in the night-season did I sing of him, and made my
prayer unto the God of my life.

I will say unto the God of my strength, Why hast thou
forgotten me: why go I thus heavily, while the enemy
oppresseth me?

My bones are smitten asunder as with a sword: while mine
enemies that trouble me cast me in the teeth;
Namely, while they say daily unto me: Where is now thy God?
Why art thou so vexed, O my soul: and why art thou so
disquieted within me?

O put thy trust in God: for I will yet thank him, which is the
help of my countenance, and my God.

All stand

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.

John Camidge (1790-1859)

Christopher Stokes

All sit

First Lesson

Psalm 130. 1-6

read by Fiona Murphy, MBE, Director of Nursing End of Life, Bereavement,
Organ and Tissue Donation, Northern Care Alliance NHS Group

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive

to the voice of my supplications!

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,

Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you,
so that you may be revered.
I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;
my soul waits for the Lord
more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.

All stand with the Choir

Magnificat

sung by the Choir

My soul doth magnify the Lord:
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded:
the lowliness of his hand-maiden.
For behold, from henceforth:
all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me:
and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him:
throughout all generations.
He hath shewed strength with his arm:
he hath scattered the proud
in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat:
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things:
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel:
as he promised to our forefathers,
Abraham and his seed for ever.
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.

Short Service, Richard Farrant (1525-80)

All sit

Second Lesson

Revelation 21. 1-6

read by Rev'd Charles Kwaku-Odoi, Co-Chair of the Greater Manchester
Health and Social Care Working Group

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

'See, the home of God is among mortals.
He will dwell with them;
they will be his peoples,
and God himself will be with them;
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.
Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away.'

And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

All stand with the Choir

Nunc Dimittis

sung by the Choir

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace:
according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen:
thy salvation.
Which thou hast prepared:
before the face of all people.
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles:
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
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.

Short Service, Richard Farrant

The Apostles' Creed

All **I believe in God the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth :
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge
the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Lesser Litany, Lord's Prayer, Responses and Collects

sung by the Choir

The Lord be with you;
And with thy spirit.
Let us pray.

All sit

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father, which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done,
in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us:
And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the Queen;
And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;
And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people;
And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord;
Because there is none other that fighteth for us,
but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us;
And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Collect for the Second Sunday of Advent

Blessed Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Collect for peace

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed;
give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give;
that both, our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that, by thee,
we being defended from the fear of our enemies
may pass our time in rest and quietness;
through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

Collect for aid against all perils

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord;
and by thy great mercy defend us
from all perils and dangers of this night;
for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Anthem

sung by the Choir

Justorum animae in manu Dei sunt, et non tanget illos
tormentum malitiae.

Visi sunt oculis insipientium mori : Illi autem sunt in pace.

*The souls of the just are in the hand of God,
and the torment of death shall not touch them.
In the sight of the unwise they seemed to die;
but they are in peace.*

William Byrd (1543-1623)

Wisdom 3. 1-3

Poem and Prayers

led by members of faith communities
in Greater Manchester

Sad Music

read by Joanne Kearsley
Patron of the Good Grief Trust

We fall to the earth like leaves
Lives as brief as footprints in snow
No words express the grief we feel
I feel I cannot let her go.

For she is everywhere.
Walking on the windswept beach
Talking in the sunlit square.
Next to me in the car
I see her sitting there.

At night she dreams me
and in the morning the sun does not rise.
My life is as thin as the wind
And I am done with counting stars.

She is gone she is gone.
I am her sad music, and I play on, and on, and on.

Roger McGough

A candle of hope will be lit by a Chorister

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of
God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us
all evermore. Amen.**

**Words of Encouragement
followed by The Blessing**

The Dean

Humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God. Cast all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen and establish you.

1 Peter. 5

Music after the service

Harmonies du Soir, Op 72 No 1

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

*Please take this order of service away with you to reflect on the readings and prayers,
and as a reminder of your visit.*

Wednesday 9 December

9am Morning Prayer (live on Facebook)

1.10pm Holy Communion

4.30pm Evening Prayer (live on Facebook)

Thursday 10 December

9am Morning Prayer (live on Facebook)

4.30pm Evening Prayer (live on Facebook)

5.15pm Advent Conversations on the Christmas story (live on Facebook)

Friday 11 December

9am Morning Prayer (live on Facebook)

4.30pm Evening Prayer (live on Facebook)

Saturday 12 December

9am Morning Prayer (live on Facebook)

4.30pm Evening Prayer (live on Facebook)

Sunday 13 December - The Third Sunday of Advent

10.30am Sung Eucharist (live on Facebook)

4.30pm Evening Prayer (live on Facebook)

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Advent Conversations about the Christmas Story including live questions from those joining us online

Thursday 26 November - Who is this Jesus Christ (Mark's Gospel)
with Canon Dr. David Holgate and The Rev'd Steven Hilton

Thursday 3 December - How was he born? (Matthew's Gospel)
with Canon Dr. David Holgate and The Rev'd Steven Hilton

Thursday 10 December - Where and when was he born? (Luke's Gospel)
with The Very Rev'd Rogers Govender and Canon Dr. David Holgate

Thursday 17 December - Why was he born? (John's Gospel)
with The Ven. David Sharples and The Rev'd Steven Hilton

We'll be interacting via comments on Facebook -- have your Bible to hand!

Please join us live on Facebook after Evening Prayer from 5.15pm to 6pm:
www.facebook.com/manchestercathedral

Christmas 2020

at Manchester Cathedral



The Fourth Sunday of Advent Sung Eucharist

Sunday 20 December, 10.30 am

A Christmas Meditation: Festive Music & Readings

Tuesday 22 December, 7.30 pm

Midnight Mass (Live BBC Radio 4 Broadcast)

Christmas Eve, 11.30 pm
with The Bishop of Manchester
(Incense will be used at this service)

Christmas Day Sung Eucharist

Christmas Day, 10.30 am
with The Bishop of Bolton
(Incense will be used at this service)

The First Sunday of Christmas The Eucharist

Sunday 27 December, 10.30 am
with The Bishop of Middleton

The Epiphany

Sunday 3 January 2021, 10.30 am

The Baptism of Christ Sung Eucharist

Sunday 10 January 2021, 10.30 am

You are very welcome to all our services
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otherwise worship with us live on Facebook.

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