

The Holy Eucharist



Communion Service
John Merbecke

Welcome to Manchester Cathedral

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.

The Season of Lent

Lent is a word derived from *Lencten*, Old English for 'Spring'. The season carries us through a period of self-examination, penitence, self-denial, study, and preparation for Easter, a kind of spiritual Spring cleaning. Liturgically, it began as a time when baptism candidates were being prepared for Holy Baptism on Easter Eve. This still happens today – or if we are already baptised we revisit the essentials of our faith and seek the Lord's renewal in our lives.

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.

Live streaming

Please note that most acts of worship in Manchester Cathedral are now live streamed. Although cameras are focused on those leading worship, please be aware that your image may be inadvertently captured and streamed. If you would like further information on the position of the camera at a particular act of worship, please ask Cathedral Staff upon arrival.

Photography

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

Gift Aid

During the service there will be a collection for the mission and aims of the Cathedral. If you would like the Cathedral to reclaim the tax that you have paid on the donation, at no cost to yourself, please use the Gift Aid envelope that is with this order of service.



Hearing-loop

The Cathedral has a hearing-loop.
Please set your hearing aid to setting T.

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.

Visiting Manchester Cathedral from July 2021

For your personal safety, the Dean and Chapter encourage you to continue to wear face masks and use the hand sanitisers provided when visiting the Cathedral.

Welcome to the Cathedral

We offer a very warm welcome to any who are visiting us today. If you would normally receive communion in your own church you are very welcome to do so here. If you do not receive communion please feel free to come up for a blessing instead. Just bow your head when you come up so the Eucharistic Minister will know.

Gluten Free Wafer

If you require a gluten free communion wafer please inform a steward before the service. Please note that the wine may contain traces of gluten.

President and Preacher

The Rev Fr Paul Hutchins

Musicians

The organ is played by Jed Hughes, Sydney Nicholson Organ Scholar.

Large-print copies of this booklet are also available

Music Before the Service

Allegretto pensoso, Op 14 No 7

Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

Gathering

Please stand

Processional Hymn

Now thank we all our God,
with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things hath done,
in whom his world rejoices;
who from our mother's arms
hath blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us in his grace,
and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills
in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given,
the Son, and him who reigns
with them in highest heaven,
the one eternal God,
whom earth and heaven adore,
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.

Nun denket NEH 413
Melody in J Crüger's
Praxis Pietatis Melica c 1647

German, Martin Rinkert (1586-1649
tr Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

President In the name of the Father
 and of the Son
 and of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

The Greeting

President The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**

Words of welcome are said.

Prayer of Preparation

All **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

President The gospel calls us to turn away from sin
 and be faithful to Christ.
 As we offer ourselves to him in penitence and faith,
 we renew our confidence and trust in his mercy.

Silence is kept

All **Almighty God, our heavenly Father,**
 we have sinned against you,
 through our own fault,
 in thought, and word, and deed,
 and in what we have left undone.
 We are heartily sorry,
 and repent of all our sins.
 For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
 forgive us all that is past;
 and grant that we may serve you
 in newness of life
 to the glory of your name.
 Amen.

Kyrie eleison



Ky-ri-e e - lei-son, Ky-ri-e e - lei-son, Chris-te, e - lei-son,
Chris-te e - lei-son, Ky-ri-e e - lei-son, Ky-ri-e e - lei-son.

President 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.

All **Amen.**

Remain standing

Collect

The President introduces a period of silent prayer after which the Collect is said

God of love,
passionate and strong,
tender and careful:
watch over us and hold us
all the days of our life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings and psalm

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Exodus 2.1-10

A Reading from Exodus

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?' Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because', she said, 'I drew him out of the water.'

At the end the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 127

Unless the Lord builds the house,
those who build it labour in vain.
**Unless the Lord keeps the city,
the guard keeps watch in vain.**

It is in vain that you hasten to rise up early
and go so late to rest, eating the bread of toil,
for he gives his beloved sleep.

**Children are a heritage from the Lord
and the fruit of the womb is his gift.**

Like arrows in the hand of a warrior,
so are the children of one's youth.

**Happy are those who have their quiver full of them:
they shall not be put to shame
when they dispute with their enemies in the gate.**

Second Reading

Colossians 3.12-17

A reading from the Letter to the Colossians

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

At the end the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

Gradual Hymn

For the beauty of the earth,
for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies:

*Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our grateful hymn of praise.*

For the beauty of each hour,
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower,
sun and moon and stars of light:

Lord of all...

For the joy of ear and eye,
for the heart and brain's delight,
for the mystic harmony
linking sense to sound and sight:
Lord of all...

For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth and friends above,
for all gentle thoughts and mild:
Lord of all...

For each perfect gift of thine,
to our race so freely given,
graces human and divine,
flowers of earth and buds of heaven:
Lord of all...

For thy church which evermore
lifteth holy hands above,
offering up on every shore
her pure sacrifice of love:
Lord of all...

Dix NEH47

Chorale by K Kocher (1786-1872)

Abridged by WH Monk (1823-1889)

FS Pierpoint (1835-1917)

Gospel Reading

Luke 2.33-35

All turn to face the Gospel book.

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

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon* blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

At the end of the reading

President This is the Gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated

The Sermon

The Revd Paul Hutchings

After the sermon silence is kept for reflection.

Please stand with the president as we affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed

The Creed

**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.**

Please be seated

Prayers of Intercession

Prayers incorporate this response

Lord of compassion,
All in your mercy hear us.

At the end

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Please stand

The Peace

President 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.

cf Ephesians 2.14

**All The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.**
Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Preparation of the Table Taking of the Bread and Wine

The Offertory Hymn

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord:
unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his word;
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name:
make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy name, the Lord, the mighty one.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might:
powers and dominions lay their glory by;
proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word:
firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore.

Woodlands NEH 186
Walter Greatorex (1877-1949)

Timothy Dudley-Smith (b 1926)

President God of mercy and compassion,
 your Word calls us home to faith and love.
 accept all we offer you this day;
 in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

President The Lord be with you,
All **and also with you.**

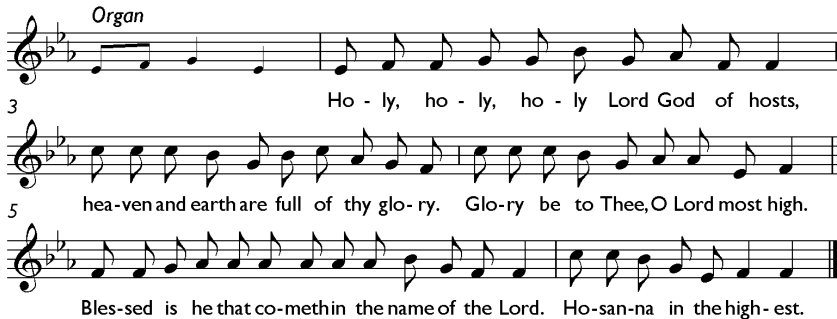
President Lift up your hearts.
All **We lift them to the Lord.**

President Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

President All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere:
 loving creator, ever living God.
 For like a mother you gather your people to you:
 longing to gather us in your arms,
 as chicks are gathered to the mother hen.
 For you weep over our sins and our pride:
 Tenderly drawing us from hatred and judgement
 into the warmth of your embrace.
 For you comfort us in sorrow and bind up our wounds:
 in sickness you nurse us, and with pure milk you feed us.
 Your warmth gives life to the dead:
 your healing touch makes sinners righteous.
 In your compassion bring grace and forgiveness:
 for the beauty of heaven may your love prepare us.
 Your family on earth now lifts our voice
 to join with the family of heaven:
 ever praising you and singing:

All

Organ



3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of hosts,
 5 hea-ven and earth are full of thy glo-ry. Glo-ry be to Thee, O Lord most high.
 Bles-sed is he that co-meth in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

President Accept our praises, heavenly Father,
 through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
 and as we follow his example and obey his command,
 grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit
 these gifts of bread and wine
 may be to us his body and his blood;
 who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
 took bread and gave you thanks;
 he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying: 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.

Therefore, heavenly Father,
we remember his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross;
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;
we look for the coming of your kingdom,
and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial
of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

President Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts
in the presence of your divine majesty,
renew us by your Spirit,
inspire us with your love
and unite us in the body of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Through him, and with him, and in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise:

All **Blessing and honour
and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Please be seated

The Lord's Prayer

President As our Saviour taught us, so we pray.
**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

President We break the bread of life,
and that life is the light of the world.
All **God here among us,
light in the midst of us,
bring us to light and life.**

Agnus Dei

Organ

4 O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way
6 the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
10 O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy up on us.
14 O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a-way the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Communion

President Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

Prayer for Spiritual Holy Communion

O Christ, let me kneel before the wonder of your glory
thus made manifest to all flesh;
to be made one with your lowliness,
one with your obedience,
one with the majesty of your love,
in a union, that by your grace,
shall know no divorce
unto the ages of ages.
Amen.

From *My God, My Glory*, Eric Milner-White

Please follow the directions of the stewards.

Members of all Christian Churches are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

If you wish to receive a blessing instead, please keep your hands down.

Holy Communion will be offered in both kinds (i.e. consecrated bread and wine).

If you prefer, continuing to receive only bread is also permitted. Please refrain from touching the chalice and consecrated bread must not be intincted (dipped) in the wine.

Gluten-free wafers are available at the administration points by the nave platform.

Prayer after Communion

Please stand if you are able as the President approaches the Altar

President Loving God,
 as a mother feeds her children at the breast
 you feed us in this sacrament
 with the food and drink of eternal life:
 help us who have tasted your goodness
 to grow in grace within the household of faith;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

All **God of our pilgrimage,
 you have fed us with the bread of heaven.
 Refresh and sustain us
 as we go forward on our journey,
 in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Post-Communion Hymn

Fill thou my life, O Lord my God
in every part with praise,
that my whole being may proclaim
thy being and thy ways.

Not for the lip of praise alone,
nor e'en the praising heart,
I ask, but for a life made up
of praise in every part:

Praise in the common things of life,
its goings out and in;
praise in each duty and each deed,
however small and mean.

Fill every part of me with praise:
let all my being speak
of thee and of thy love, O Lord
poor though I be and weak.

So shalt thou, Lord, receive from me
the praise and glory due;
and so shall I begin on earth
the song for ever new.

So shall each fear, each fret, each care,
be turned into song;
and every winding of the way
the echo shall prolong.

So shall no part of day or night
unblest or common be;
but all my life, in every step,
be fellowship with thee.

Richmond NEH 346
Melody by Thomas Haweis (1734-1820)
Harmony by S Webbe (c1770-1843)

Horatius Bonar (1808-1889)

The Dismissal

The Blessing

President Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,
to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

The Sending Out

Go in the peace of Christ.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Music After the Service

Pièce Heroïque

César Franck (1822-1890)

*Please take this order of service away with you
to reflect upon the music,
readings and prayers,
and as a reminder of your visit.
Refreshments are usually served after the service;
everyone is invited to stay.*

**Weekly Notices for the Cathedral Community
18 March 2023**

Special Events and Services this Week

Sunday 19 March

4.30 pm Evening Prayer

Monday 20 March

9.00 am Morning Prayer

1.10 pm Holy Eucharist - not live-streamed

4.30 pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday 21 March

9.00 am Morning Prayer

1.10 pm Holy Eucharist - not live-streamed

4.30 pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday 22 March

9.00 am Morning Prayer

1.10 pm Holy Eucharist - not live-streamed

4.30 pm Evening Prayer

Thursday 23 March

9.00 am Morning Prayer

1.10 pm Holy Eucharist - not live-streamed

4.30 pm Evening Prayer

Friday 24 March

9.00 am Morning Prayer

1.10 pm Holy Eucharist - not live-streamed

4.30 pm Evening Prayer

Saturday 25 March Annunciation to the Blessed Virgin Mary

9.00 am Morning Prayer, followed by Holy Communion

4.30 pm Evening Prayer

Sunday 26 March - The Fifth Sunday of Lent

8.45 am Matins

9.00 am Holy Communion

10.30 am Sung Eucharist

5.30 pm Choral Evensong

The Cathedral's Voluntary Choir

Manchester Cathedral Voluntary Choir is seeking to recruit adult singers in all voices. This auditioned choir sings evensong on Sundays during term time and rehearses on Friday evenings. For further information and to book an audition please contact geoffrey.woollatt@manchestercathedral.org.

Manchester Children's Choir

The choir meets Friday evening from 5pm – 5.45pm. It is open to children of all singing abilities and it is free to all members. The original Manchester Children's Choir was famous for their recording of Purcell's Nymphs and Shepherds with the Hallé Orchestra which sold over one million copies, however the choir soon disbanded after the outbreak of World War II.

For more information, contact Ellen Riley on Ellen.Riley@manchestercathedral.org.

Children's Corner

Parents are welcome to sit in that area with their children where they can find activities for them to do during the service. Parents are also invited to bring the children up during the administration of communion for a blessing. If you need baby changing facilities, they are available in the unisex disabled toilet just through the corridor by the Jesus Chapel. Parents are responsible for their own children.



We can all help respond to the crisis affecting families across Manchester by contributing to the Fooddrive Project run by Rainbow Surprise. The project is run from the Church Hall at St Matthew's, Crumpsall.

At the back of the Cathedral we have a collection bin for this essential foodbank. Everyone is encouraged to contribute. We are asking for non-perishable food items and toiletries. For further details, including how to access support, please see the website:

www.rainbowsurprise.com

Holy Week & Easter 2023

Palm Sunday 2 April

Blessings of Palms, Procession & Sung Eucharist at 10.30 am
Music & Readings for Palm Sunday at 5.30 pm
Sung by the Cathedral Voluntary Choir

Holy Monday 3 April

Sung Eucharist with Blessing of Oils and Renewal of Vows at 10.30 am
The Lamentations of the Prophet Jeremiah (Thomas Tallis) at 5.30 pm

Holy Tuesday 4 April

The Bishop of Beverley's Chrism Mass at 11.30 am
Choral Evensong at 5.30 pm

Holy Wednesday 5 April

Choral Evensong at 5.30 pm

Maundy Thursday 6 April

Sung Eucharist with Stripping of the Altars at 5.30 pm
followed by The Watch until 8.00 pm

Good Friday 7 April

The Way of the Cross at 12noon
St John Passion ~ (J.S Bach)
sung by Manchester Cathedral Choir
with Manchester Baroque at 7.00 pm

Easter Eve 8 April

Easter Vigil with Diocesan Confirmation and Baptism
at 5.30 pm

Easter Day 9 April

BCP Matins at 8.45 am & Holy Communion at 9.00 am
Sung Eucharist at 10.30 am
Festal Evensong & Procession at 5.30pm



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Thank you for visiting us today

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Returning visitor	<input type="checkbox"/>	New to the area	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would like to know more about being a Christian	<input type="checkbox"/>
I'm interested in becoming a 'Friend of Manchester Cathedral'					<input type="checkbox"/>

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