



**LICHFIELD**  
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**Choral Eucharist**  
**4<sup>th</sup> July 2021**  
**The Fifth Sunday after Trinity**  
**10:30**

**President**

The Revd Canon Gregory Platten  
*Canon Chancellor*

**Preacher**

The Very Revd Adrian Dorber  
*Dean*

Lichfield Cathedral is called to live and proclaim the transforming love of God. Through the fullness of its life in the Spirit, it seeks to be a sign of the friendship and freedom that God in Jesus Christ has given the whole world to enjoy.



# WELCOME TO LICHFIELD CATHEDRAL

*Welcome to this service whether you are worshipping in the Cathedral or via YouTube at home. It is good that we can come together both virtually and in person to offer our Eucharist, our offering of praise and thanksgiving to almighty God.*

## **Safety**

Please always follow the directions given in how we need to move around the Cathedral and observe social-distancing rules. In the unlikely event of an emergency, please remain quiet and respond calmly and promptly to the directions of the Vergers. Please wear a face mask or covering at all times in the Cathedral.

## **Spiritual Communion**

Whilst services are being live-streamed and people cannot, for a number of reasons, come to Church to receive their communion in person we will continue to incorporate the Spiritual Communion within our worship at the point of the distribution of the Holy Communion. The reasoning behind this is found in the 1662 Book of Common Prayer. The Book of Common Prayer instructs us that if we offer ourselves in penitence and faith, giving thanks for the redemption won by Christ crucified, we may truly 'eat and drink the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ', although we cannot receive the sacrament physically in ourselves. It is a way of taking our communion when, as at this time, we are prevented from doing so.

## **Receiving Communion**

Communion will be offered only in bread at this time. Please remain in your seats and the sacrament will be brought to you. You are welcome to stand or sit to receive your communion, as you feel most comfortable. Gluten-free hosts will be available on request.

## **Music & Speech**

There is no congregational singing allowed at this time and we are also asked to speak softly. The organ is played by the Organ Scholar, Liam Condon. The Cathedral Choir is conducted by the Assistant Director of Music, Martyn Rawles. The setting is Collegium Regale by Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

## **Posture**

The order of service indicates whether to sit or stand, however please feel free to adopt the posture that you feel most comfortable with.

## **Offerings**

We have been immensely grateful to members of our worshipping community for their continued generosity throughout the pandemic. Your gifts are vital in sustaining our mission and worship. For your safety, no physical collection will be taken during the service. For those worshipping in the Cathedral, there are electronic giving points where you can tap a debit or credit card; if you are unfamiliar with these devices please do ask a volunteer or verger for assistance. For those worshipping at home, you can text SPIRES to 70191 to give £10, or visit [www.lichfield-cathedral.org/donate](http://www.lichfield-cathedral.org/donate)

## **Preparation before the Service**

*In the time leading up to the start of the service you are invited to keep this as a period of quiet reflection and preparation for worship. You might find the following prayer useful.*

*Almighty God, send down upon your Church  
the riches of your Spirit,  
and kindle in all who minister the gospel  
your countless gifts of grace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*Please join in whatever is printed in **bold type**.*

## **THE GATHERING**

*Stand as the clergy enter*

### **THE GREETING**

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

**Amen.**

We meet in the name of Jesus Christ,  
who died and was raised to the glory of God the Father.  
Grace and mercy be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Please be seated*

*The President offers further words of welcome, and then says*

God calls, his call is to each one of us, it is personal and universal,  
an invitation to all humanity to meet him here.

God calls us to meet him here in the feast prepared by his Son.

God calls, his call is to each one of us.

His call is both personal and universal.

## **THE RITE OF PENITENCE**

*A moment of silence is kept.*

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,  
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments  
and to live in love and peace with all.

Remember, Lord, your compassion and love, for they are everlasting:  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions,  
but think on me in your goodness, O Lord,  
according to your steadfast love:  
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

O keep my soul and deliver me; let me not be put to shame,  
for I have put my trust in you:  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

## **ABSOLUTION**

May almighty God have mercy on you,  
forgive you your sins, and bring you to everlasting life. **Amen.**

*Stand*

## **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO (Choir)**

*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.*

*Remain standing*

## **THE COLLECT**

Let us pray:

Almighty and everlasting God,  
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church  
is governed and sanctified:  
hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people,  
that in their vocation and ministry  
they may serve you in holiness and truth  
to the glory of your name;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,  
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**

### **OLD TESTAMENT READING** Ezekiel 2.1-5

A reading from the book of the prophet Ezekiel.

He said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God.' Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*A short period of silence is kept*

*Stand*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *(Choir)*

*Alleluia. Alleluia. The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all his deeds. Alleluia.*

**GOSPEL READING** Mark 6.1-13

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus left that place and came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*A fanfare is sounded to honour the reading of the Gospel.*

*Sit*

**SERMON**

*Stand*

**NICENE 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.**

*Sit*

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude*

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

Stand

## THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

### THE PEACE

We are the body of Christ.  
In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.  
Let us then pursue all that makes for peace  
and builds up our common life.

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 socially-distanced sign of peace with their neighbour*

*Please sit as the choir alone sings*

### OFFERTORY HYMN CP 435 *Abbot's Leigh*

*Glorious things of thee are spoken,  
Zion, city of our God;  
he whose word cannot be broken  
formed thee for his own abode.  
On the Rock of ages founded,  
what can shake thy sure repose?  
With salvation's walls surrounded,  
thou may'st smile at all thy foes.*

*See, the streams of living waters,  
springing from eternal love,  
well supply thy sons and daughters,  
and all fear of want remove.  
Who can faint while such a river  
ever flows their thirst to assuage:  
Grace which, like the Lord the giver,  
never fails from age to age?*

*Saviour, if of Zion's city  
I through grace a member am,  
let the world deride or pity,  
I will glory in thy name.  
Fading is the worldling's pleasure,  
all his boasted pomp and show;  
solid joys and lasting treasure,  
none but Zion's children know.*

*John Newton 1725-1807  
Isaiah 33.20-21*

## TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

Open the heavens, Lord our God,  
and send your transforming Spirit on us and on these gifts.  
May we who are baptized into Christ  
be ready to share his cup of suffering  
and strengthened to serve him for ever. **Amen.**

*Stand*

## 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.**

Father, we give you thanks and praise  
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word,  
through whom you have created all things;  
who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;  
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,  
he lived on earth and went about among us;  
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;  
he put an end to death by dying for us;  
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;  
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and saying:

## **SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS** *(choir)*

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

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.

Christ is the bread of life:  
**When we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,  
until you come in glory.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.  
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup  
and we thank you for counting us worthy  
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people  
and gather into one in your kingdom  
all who share this one bread and one cup,  
so that we, in the company of Blessed Mary the Virgin,  
Chad our Patron and all the saints,  
may praise and glorify you for ever,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours,  
almighty Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Sit*

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Jesus taught us to call God our Father,  
and so we have the courage to say:

**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**

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**

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.  
**Jesus Christ is holy,  
Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.**

*The President receives Holy Communion and then leads the Spiritual Communion for those who are prevented from receiving physically their communion. The words for the distribution are used once at this point and not repeated to each communicant.*

## **SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

I invite you to open your hands as a sign of your openness to receiving God's grace as we pray together:

**Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
for all the benefits you have given me,  
for all the pains and insults you have borne for me.  
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,  
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.  
O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,  
may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly,  
and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.**

*Those of any Christian denomination who are accustomed to receiving Holy Communion in their own churches are invited to do so here. The sacrament will be brought to you in your place by one of the priests.*

*Please feel free, as you feel most comfortable, to sit or stand to receive your communion. Gluten free hosts are available for those who require them, please let the priest know if you require one. Those who do not normally take communion will be offered a blessing.*

## **AGNUS DEI (Choir)**

*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us; grant us peace.*

## **MOTET**      A Gaelic Blessing – John Rutter (b.1945)

*Deep peace of the running wave to you. Deep peace of the flowing air to you.  
Deep peace of the quiet earth to you. Deep peace of the shining stars to you.  
Deep peace of the gentle night to you.  
Moon and stars pour their healing light on you.  
Deep peace of Christ, of Christ the light of the world to you.  
Deep peace of Christ to you.*

*Remain seated*

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray:

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you,  
that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered  
by your governance,  
that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **NOTICES**

*Stand*

### **THE BLESSING & DISMISSAL**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

May God himself, the God of peace,  
make you perfect and holy,  
and keep you safe and blameless, in spirit, soul and body,  
for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ;  
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son,  
and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*Remain standing as the clergy depart and then please be seated.*

### **ORGAN VOLUNTARY**

Paeon

Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988)

*Please take this order of service with you  
for reflection and prayer during this week*

## LATER TODAY

### 17:30 Choral Evensong

Collegium Regale – Howells  
Let all the world - Leighton

## THIS WEEK – DAILY SERVICES

### Morning Prayer 08:00

*(Lady Chapel and Online)*

### Daily Eucharist 12:30

*(Lady Chapel and Online)*

### Evening Prayer and Choral Evensong 17:30

Monday	– Evening Prayer	(Lady Chapel and Online)
Tuesday	– Choral Evensong	(Quire, Crossing and Online)
Wednesday	– Choral Evensong	(Quire, Crossing and Online)
Thursday	– Evening Prayer	(Lady Chapel and Online)
Friday	– Choral Evensong	(Quire, Crossing and Online)
Saturday	– Choral Evensong	(Quire, Crossing and Online)

## NEXT SUNDAY

08:00 SAID EUCHARIST WITH HOMILY (Traditional Language)

### 10:30 CHORAL EUCHARIST during the Lichfield Festival

*President: The Very Revd Adrian Dorber*

*Preacher: The Revd Canon Andrew Stead*

*Setting: Messe Solennelle – Vierne*

*Motet: O Sacrum Convivium - Messiaen*

### 17:30 CHORAL EVENSONG

*Service: Evening Service in D - Dyson*

*Anthem: I was glad - Parry*



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