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**Sunday Eucharist**  
**7<sup>th</sup> August 2022**  
**Eighth Sunday after Trinity**  
**10:30**

**President**

The Revd Dr Canon David Primrose  
*Canon Treasurer*

**Preacher**

The Rt Revd Jan McFarlane  
*Canon Custos*

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 to offer our Eucharist, our offering of praise and thanksgiving to almighty God.*

## **Safety**

Please always follow any directions given in how we need to move around the Cathedral. In the unlikely event of an emergency, please remain quiet and respond calmly and promptly to the directions of the Vergers. Facemasks or coverings, in line with government guidance, are no longer mandatory in the Cathedral but please feel free to wear one if you wish. We ask that we are all sensitive to the people around us, some of whom might be nervous or continue to be concerned for their own health or that of their family or friends.

## **Spiritual Communion**

Whilst some 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.

## **Receiving Holy Communion**

People will though be able to choose whether they wish or not to receive their Holy Communion in the form of wine as well as bread. There is no pressure to receive, and people should do as they feel most comfortable; recognising that some may wish to not receive from the chalice just yet.

The chalices will be stationed at a little distance from the priest giving the host (Bread) and people will be able to either return to their seat or move to take their communion in the form of wine as well. If you take the chalice please help the person giving the chalice by guiding the cup to your lips. People are also reminded that we do not allow intinction (dipping the bread into the wine) at the Cathedral. Please follow the instructions given by the vergers and stewards who will direct you to a communion station. Gluten-free hosts will be available on request at each station.

## **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.

## **Photography and Livestreaming**

Whilst we ask that members of the congregation do not take photographs or video of our worship, please note that at some of our services our Cathedral volunteer photographers will be taking photographs. We are also livestreaming to Facebook or YouTube many of our services. Whilst we do our best to not film the congregation for the livestream, please do let us know if this is a particular issue for you and we will assist by letting you know where you can sit so that you do not appear on screen.

## **Offerings**

Your gifts are vital in sustaining our mission and worship. A collection will be taken by the Stewards during the offertory hymn. Please do Gift Aid your donation if you are a UK taxpayer by completing the required details on the envelopes provided. There are electronic giving points where you can tap a debit or credit card; if you need assistance with these devices please do ask a steward or verger. 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)

## **Refreshments**

At the end of the service refreshments are available in the North Transept. We do hope that you will join us for a time of fellowship together.

## **Music**

The organist is the Assistant Organist, Nigel Argust, and the service is sung by the Precentor. The music includes the *Gloria* by Francis Duffy; the *Sanctus*, & *Benedictus* by Paul Inwood (*Gathering Mass*). We welcome the Youth Orchestra of the Church Music School of Wismar from Germany. They are visiting this diocese from our linked diocese of Nordkirche. We are pleased to see them and that they are taking part in our service this morning.

## **Preparation before the Service**

In the time before the service you are invited to keep this as a period of quiet preparation for worship. You might find the following prayer useful:

*Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven  
and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride,  
when we are needy save us from despair,  
that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

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

## THE GATHERING

*Stand*

**INTROIT HYMN 558** *Lobe den Herren (Praxis Pietatis)*

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;  
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:  
all ye who hear,  
now to his temple draw near,  
joining in glad adoration.**

**Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
shieldeth thee gently from harm, or when fainting sustaineth:  
hast thou not seen  
how thy heart's wishes have been  
granted in what he ordaineth?**

**Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;  
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend thee:  
ponder anew  
what the Almighty can do,  
if to the end he befriend thee.**

**Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!  
Let the Amen  
sound from his people again:  
gladly for aye we adore him!**

Joachim Neander 1650-1680  
*tr.* Catherine Winkworth 1827-1878

*Remain standing*

### THE GREETING

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

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.  
**And also with you.**

*Please be seated as the President offers further words of welcome,  
and then says*

This is the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord.  
It is to be made ready for those who love him  
and for those who want to love him more.

So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little,  
you who have been here often and you who have not been here long,  
you who have tried to follow and you who have failed.

Come, because it is the Lord who invites you.  
It is his will that those who want him should meet him here.

*The Iona Community, Iona Abbey Worship Book,  
Wild Goose Publications, 2001*

*A moment of silence is kept.*

God the Father forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy Spirit.  
Let us therefore put away all anger and bitterness,  
all slander and malice, and confess our sins to God our redeemer.

*cf Ephesians 4.30, 32*

#### **THE RITE OF PENITENCE**

**Most merciful God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
In your mercy forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be;  
that we may do justly, love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

#### **ABSOLUTION**

Almighty God, 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.**

*Stand*

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** (*Cantor and Congregation*)

*Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo; gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.*

***Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo; gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.***

Glory to God in the | highest, and | peace to his people on | earth.  
Lord God, heavenly | King, al | mighty | God and | Father,  
we worship you, we give you | thanks, we | praise you for your | glory. ***Gloria ...***

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; re | ceive our | prayer. ***Gloria ...***

For you alone are the | Holy One, | you alone are the | Lord,  
you alone are the Most | High, | Je | sus | Christ,  
with the Holy | Spirit in the | glory of God the | Father. ***Gloria ...***

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*Remain standing*

**THE COLLECT**

Let us pray:

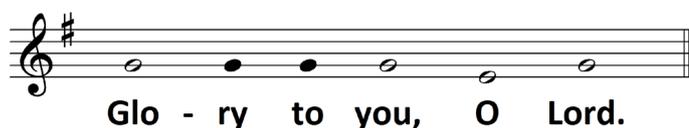
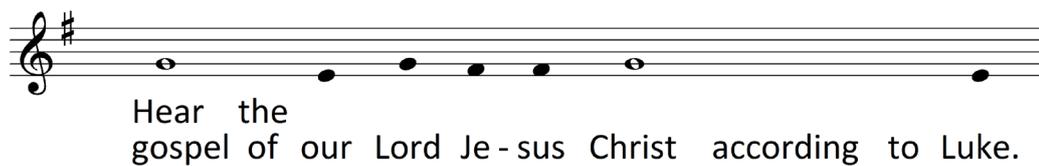
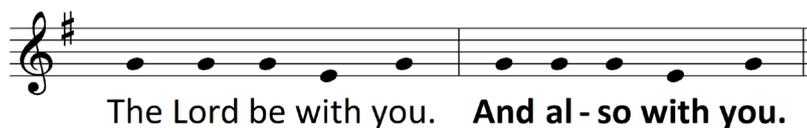
Almighty Lord and everlasting God,  
we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern  
both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws  
and the works of your commandments;  
that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever,  
we may be preserved in body and soul;  
through our Lord and 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*



**GOSPEL READING**

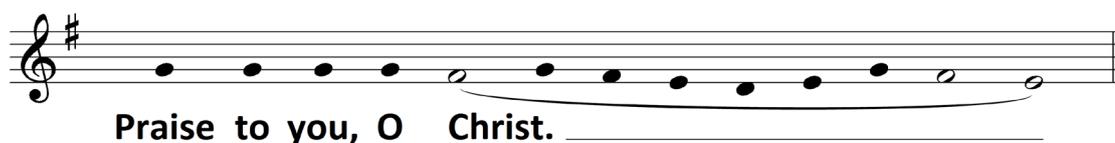
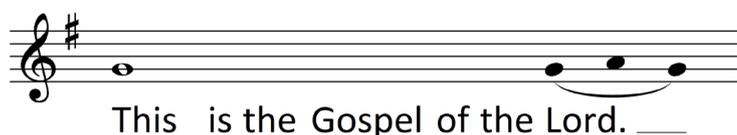
Luke 12.32-40



Jesus said, 'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'



*The Youth Orchestra play, 'Heaven is a wonderful place'.*

*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.**

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Sit*

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

*The prayers conclude*

Merciful Father,

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

## THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

*Stand*

### THE PEACE

‘Where two or three are gathered together in my name,’  
says the Lord, ‘there am I in the midst of them.’

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*The Deacon of the Gospel says*

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

### PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

A **collection** is taken to support the mission and ministry of the Cathedral. Please give as generously as you are able and, if you are a UK taxpayer, use the GiftAid envelopes provided.

### HYMN 610 Oriel

1. To the name of our salvation,  
laud and honour let us pay,  
which for many a generation  
hid in God’s foreknowledge lay,  
but with holy exultation  
we may sing aloud today.

2. Jesus is the name we treasure,  
name beyond what words can tell;  
name of gladness, name of pleasure,  
ear and heart delighting well;  
name of sweetness passing measure,  
saving us from sin and hell.

3. Tis the name that whoso preacheth  
speaks like music to the ear;  
who in prayer this name beseecheth  
sweetest comfort findeth near;  
who its perfect wisdom reacheth  
heavenly joy possesseth here.

4. Jesus is the name exalted  
over every other name;  
in this name, whene’er assaulted,  
we can put our foes to shame:  
strength to them who else had halted,  
eyes to blind, and feet to lame.

5. Therefore we in love adoring,  
this most blessèd name revere;  
holy Jesus, thee imploring  
so to write it in us here,  
that hereafter heavenward soaring,  
we may sing with angels there.

Latin, c 15<sup>th</sup> century. tr. J M Neale 1818-1866

## **TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE**

Lord of life, with unbounded joy we offer you our sacrifice of praise.  
As we are fed with the bread of heaven  
may we know your resurrection power;  
through Christ our risen Lord. **Amen.**

*Remain standing*

## **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** (*Cantor and Congregation*)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and God of might:  
heaven and earth, heaven and earth  
are full of your glory, your pow'r and might.

***Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heav'ns.***

***Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heav'ns.***

Blessed, blessed is he who comes,  
blessed, blessed is he who comes; blessed is he,  
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. ***Hosanna ...***

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.

*A cantor sings*

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life.  
Lord Jesus, come; Lord Jesus come; Lord Jesus, come in glory.

***Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heav'ns.***

***Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heav'ns.***

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, 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.**

### **AGNUS DEI**

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

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

Lamb of God, **you take away the sin of the world,  
grant us peace.**

## **GIVING OF COMMUNION**

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

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

*The President receives Holy Communion and then leads the Spiritual Communion for those who are prevented from receiving their communion and worshipping with us from home. We invite those in the Cathedral to pray quietly for them as the President leads them in prayer.*

## **SPIRITUAL COMMUNION** *(for those worshipping online)*

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. Please follow the directions given by the vergers and stewards who will indicate which communion station you should go to. If you do not normally receive communion please do come forward to receive a prayer of blessing. Gluten free hosts are available at each station for those who require them, please let the priest know if you require one.*

**COMMUNION MUSIC.** *There lives a longing and My Soul proclaim*

*Organ music may be played until the ministers have returned to their places after cleansing the altar vessels.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Sit*

Let us pray:

Strengthen for service, Lord,  
the hands that have taken holy things;  
may the ears which have heard your word  
be deaf to clamour and dispute;  
may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit;  
may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love  
shine with the light of hope;  
and may the bodies which have been fed with your body  
be refreshed with the fullness of your life;  
glory to you for ever. **Amen.**

## NOTICES

*Stand*

### HYMN 315 *Solothurn*

1. **Now let us from this table rise,  
renewed in body, mind, and soul;  
with Christ we die and live again,  
his selfless love has made us whole.**
2. **With minds alert, upheld by grace,  
to spread the word in speech & deed,  
we follow in the steps of Christ,  
at one with all in hope and need.**
3. **To fill each human house with love,  
it is the sacrament of care;  
the work that Christ began to do  
we humbly pledge ourselves to share.**
4. **Then grant us grace, Companion-God,  
to choose again the pilgrim way,  
and help us to accept with joy  
the challenge of tomorrow's day.**

*Fred Kaan b.1929. 1968 Stainer and Bell Ltd*

*Remain standing*

## **THE BLESSING & DISMISSAL**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead,  
strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life:

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 of the Gospel says*

Go in the light and peace of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Remain standing as the clergy depart as the organist plays the Voluntary.*

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