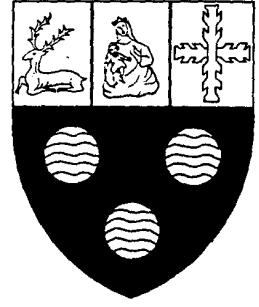


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THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF  
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# CATHEDRAL EUCHARIST

**The Third Sunday of Epiphany**

Sunday 21 January 2024  
10.00am

## Welcome to Southwell Minster



As you prepare for worship, please be sensitive to the needs of those around you who may wish to pray in silence. Please switch off mobile telephones and do not use photographic, video or recording equipment at any time.



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The President of the Eucharist is the Revd Prof. Alison Milbank, *Canon Theologian*.

The Deacon is and Preacher is the Revd Dr Richard Frith, *Canon Precentor*.

The congregation is invited to join in all texts printed in **bold**.

This service will be live-streamed to the internet, and will be available at [www.southwellminster.org/worship-online](http://www.southwellminster.org/worship-online) and on the Minster's YouTube channel for one week. Live-streaming allows those joining from home to participate in the same act of worship as those in the Cathedral.

A collection for the mission and ministry of the Cathedral will be taken during the Offertory Hymn at this service. If you are a UK taxpayer, you are invited to fill in your



details on the Gift Aid envelopes provided so that we can reclaim your income tax and thus increase your donation by 25p for every £1 given. Cash donations can also be placed in the donation box near each entrance or card donations made using the contactless card station. Alternatively, to make a donation online, please scan this QR code or visit [www.southwellminster.org/donate](http://www.southwellminster.org/donate). Please give generously.

## Communion

Holy Communion will be offered in both kinds (bread and wine) but please feel free to leave the altar rail after receiving the bread if you prefer. The Church teaches that Holy Communion is received fully in either the consecrated wafer or the wine. **Please do not intinct (dip your wafer in the wine) as this carries an increased risk of transmitting infection.** The ministrant will not offer you the chalice to intinct, but only to drink from. Gluten-free wafers are available — please speak to a Churchwarden or vergier before the service (if possible) to request one.

## Minster Kids

During the first hymn, children aged 5–11 in the congregation are warmly invited to leave the main service for separate children’s activities — please look out for our children’s leaders and follow them at this point of the service. They will return in time for the Offertory Hymn. (If this is the first time your child has gone out to the group please could an adult initially accompany them so as to complete a registration form. Children under 5 will be welcome if accompanied throughout the session by an adult.) We also have a Children’s Chapel next to the font, and young children and their carers are encouraged to explore it.

## Standing, Sitting and Kneeling

Throughout this booklet, you will find various references to posture. We stand to praise or sing together; sit to listen and to receive (for example, during Bible readings – except the Gospel – and the sermon), and we may kneel for personal prayer. Adopting the same posture is a way of showing that we are worshipping God together, as his people. However, please always feel free to adopt a different posture if you need to. For example, if standing for long periods is difficult, you may wish to sit during the Gospel and the Eucharistic Prayer.

## Music at this service

The Cathedral Choir is directed by Paul Provost, *Rector Chori*.

The organ is played by Jonathan Allsopp, *Assistant Director of Music*.

The setting for the Eucharist is the *Communion Service in G* by Francis Jackson (1917-2022)

## Organ Music before the service

*Praeludium in C*, BUXWV 137

Dieterich Buxtehude (c. 1637-1707)

# ORDER OF SERVICE

*The President welcomes the congregation.*

## THE GATHERING

*Please stand at the start of the opening hymn.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *during which the altar party enters, and children leave for their own activities.*



**I come with joy, a child of God,  
Forgiven, loved and free,  
The life of Jesus to recall  
In love laid down for me.**

**I come with Christians far and near  
To find, as all are fed,  
The new community of love  
In Christ's communion bread.**

**As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share,  
Each proud division ends.  
The love that made us, makes us one  
And strangers now are friends.**

**The Spirit of the risen Christ,  
Unseen, but ever near,  
Is in such friendship better known,  
Alive among us here.**

**Together met, together bound,  
By all that God has done  
We'll go with joy, to give the world  
The love that makes us one.**

*Words: Brian Wren (b. 1936) A&M 448  
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*Music: ST PETER NEH 374  
Alexander Reinagle (1799-1877)*

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

## GREETING

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

*The President introduces the Eucharist.*

## PRAYER OF PREPARATION

**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

*Deacon*     The grace of God has dawned upon the world  
                 through our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
                 who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own.

Let us confess our sins.

*Silence is kept.*

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry  
and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life  
to the glory of your name.  
Amen.**

## ABSOLUTION

*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.  
**Amen.**

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

*Choir*      Glory be to God on high,  
and in earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee,  
we worship thee, we glorify thee,  
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,  
O Lord God, heavenly King,  
God the Father almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;  
thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

## COLLECT

*President*    Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

Almighty God,  
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles  
the wonder of your saving presence:  
renew your people with your heavenly grace,  
and in all our weakness  
sustain us by your mighty power;  
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 for ever.  
**Amen.**

*Please sit*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *read by Darrell Farrant*

Revelation 19: 6–10

A reading from the Revelation to John.

Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty thunder-peals, crying out,

‘Hallelujah!

For the Lord our God

the Almighty reigns.

Let us rejoice and exult

and give him the glory,

for the marriage of the Lamb has come,

and his bride has made herself ready;

to her it has been granted to be clothed

with fine linen, bright and pure’ —

for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.

And the angel said to me, ‘Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.’ And he said to me, ‘These are true words of God.’ Then I fell down at his feet to worship him, but he said to me, ‘You must not do that! I am a fellow-servant with you and your comrades who hold the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.’

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please remain seated*





*Choir* How abundant is your goodness, O Lord.

*All* **How abundant is your goodness, O Lord.**

Blessed are all those who fear the Lord,  
and walk in his ways.

You shall eat the fruit of the toil of your hands;  
it shall go well with you, and happy shall you be.

*All* **How abundant is your goodness, O Lord.**

Your wife within your house shall be like a fruitful vine;  
your children round your table, like fresh olive branches.  
Thus shall the one be blest  
who fears the Lord.

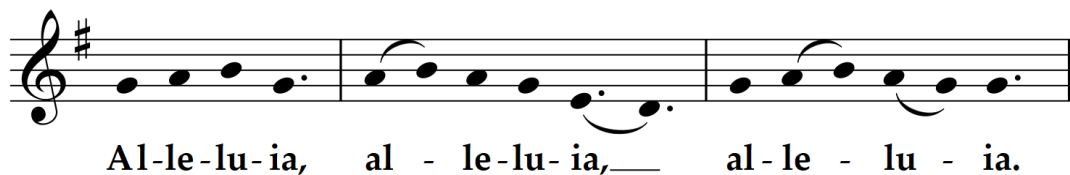
*All* **How abundant is your goodness, O Lord.**

The Lord from out of Zion bless you,  
that you may see Jerusalem in prosperity  
all the days of your life.  
May you see your children's children,  
and may there be peace upon Israel.

*All* **How abundant is your goodness, O Lord.**

*Please stand*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



*Choir* Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*All* **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*Choir* Through the Good News God called us  
to share the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*All* **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*Please turn to face the Gospel reader*

*Deacon* Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.



**Glo-ry to you, O Lord.**

There was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please turn back to face the altar.*

*Please sit when invited by the preacher.*

SERMON *given by the Canon Precentor*

*Please stand*

## NICENE CREED

*President* Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**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 sit or kneel when invited*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *led by David Shannon*

*One of the following responses may be used:*

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

Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

*and at the end:*

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

*Please stand*

THE PEACE

*President* Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace.  
Of the increase of his government and of peace  
there shall be no end.

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

*The Deacon invites the congregation to share a sign of peace.*

OFFERTORY HYMN *during which a collection is taken and the table is prepared for Communion*



1. Songs of thankfulness and praise,  
Jesu, Lord, to thee we raise,  
Manifested by the star  
To the sages from afar;  
Branch of royal David's stem  
In thy birth at Bethlehem;  
Anthems be to thee address,  
God in Man made manifest.

2. Manifest at Jordan's stream,  
Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;  
And at Cana wedding-guest  
In thy Godhead manifest;  
Manifest in power divine,  
Changing water into wine;  
Anthems be to thee address,  
God in Man made manifest.

3. Manifest in making whole  
Palsied limbs and fainting soul;  
Manifest in valiant fight,  
Quelling all the devil's might;  
Manifest in gracious will,  
Ever bringing good from ill;  
Anthems be to thee address,  
God in Man made manifest.

4. Sun and moon shall darkened be,  
Stars shall fall, the heavens shall flee;  
Christ will then like lightning shine,  
All will see his glorious sign;  
All will then the trumpet hear,  
All will see the Judge appear;  
Thou by all wilt be confest,  
God in Man made manifest.

5. Grant us grace to see thee, Lord,  
Mirrored in thy holy word;  
May we imitate thee now,  
And be pure, as pure art thou;  
That we like to thee may be  
At thy great Epiphany,  
And may praise thee, ever blest,  
God in Man made manifest.

Words: Christopher Wordsworth (1807-85)

Tune: ST EDMUND NEH 56  
Charles Steggall (1826-1905)

## PRAYER AT THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

*President* Let us pray.

Gracious God,  
accept the offering of your Church,  
the hearts of your people  
joined in praise and thanksgiving,  
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.  
**Amen.**

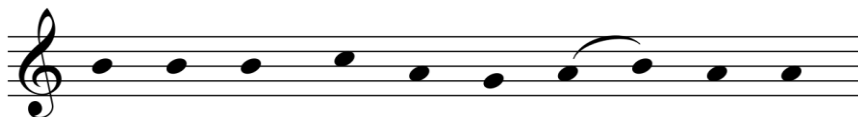
## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER



The\_ Lord be\_\_ with\_ you and\_ al - so\_\_ 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.\_\_\_\_

All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere,  
mighty creator, ever-living God,  
through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord:  
for at this time we celebrate your glory  
made present in our midst.  
In the coming of the magi  
the King of all the world was revealed to the nations.

In the waters of baptism  
Jesus was revealed as the Christ,  
the Saviour sent to redeem us.  
In the water made wine  
the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast.  
Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy.

Therefore with all the angels of heaven  
we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name  
and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

*Choir* Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts,  
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

*President* 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.



*Deacon* Great is the mystery of faith:

*All*



Christ has died: Christ is ri - sen: Christ will come\_\_ a-gain.

*President* 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 the Blessed Virgin Mary 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.

*All*



A - men.\_\_

*Please sit or kneel*

## 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.**

## 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

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.**

*AGNUS DEI sung by the choir whilst the altar party receives communion*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world:  
have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world:  
have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world:  
grant us thy peace.

*All baptised, communicant members of Christian churches are invited to receive Communion.*

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*Please follow the instructions of Churchwardens to approach to receive Communion.*

*Gluten-free wafers are available on request. If you would prefer to receive a blessing (without physical contact), please bring this order of service with you as an indication. If you are unable to move to the altar, please inform a Churchwarden and the President will come to you.*

*Please sit or kneel on your return from Communion.*

**COMMUNION MOTET** *sung by the choir during the distribution of Communion*

As Cana's quiet, wondrous guest,  
Drew richest wine from water bless'd;  
Through trembling vow and thankful song,  
May glory shine, as hearts respond  
To Heaven's theme with love,  
Earth's antiphon.

*Words: Thomas Allain (b. 1969)*

*Music: CANA'S GUEST  
Richard Allain (b. 1965)*

COMMUNION HYMN. *Please remain seated.*



1. The race that long in darkness pined  
Have seen a glorious light;  
The people dwell in day, who dwelt  
In death's surrounding night.

2. To hail thy rise, thou better Sun,  
The gathering nations come,  
Joyous as when the reapers bear  
The harvest-treasures home.

3. To us a child of hope is born,  
To us a Son is given;  
Him shall the tribes of earth obey,  
Him all the hosts of heaven.

4. His name shall be the Prince of Peace,  
For evermore adored;  
The Wonderful, the Counsellor,  
The great and mighty Lord.

5. His power increasing still shall spread;  
His reign no end shall know:  
Justice shall guard his throne above,  
And peace abound below.

Words: John Morison (1750-98)  
based on Isaiah 9: 2-7

Tune: DUNDEE NEH 57  
Melody from the Scottish Psalter, 1615

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*President* Let us pray.

Almighty Father,  
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world:  
may your people,  
illumined by your word and sacraments,  
shine with the radiance of his glory,  
that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed  
to the ends of the earth;  
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

**Almighty God,  
we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies  
to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory.  
Amen.**

*Notices are given.*

## THE DISMISSAL

*Please stand*

## THE BLESSING

*President* Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory  
and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

## DISMISSAL

*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

FINAL HYMN *during which the altar party leaves in procession.*



1. Through all the changing scenes of life,  
In trouble and in joy,  
The praises of my God shall still  
My heart and tongue employ.

2. O magnify the Lord with me,  
With me exalt his name;  
When in distress to him I called,  
He to my rescue came.

3. The hosts of God encamp around  
The dwellings of the just;  
Deliverance he affords to all  
Who on his succour trust.

4. O make but trial of his love,  
Experience will decide  
How blest are they, and only they,  
Who in his truth confide.

5. Fear him, ye saints, and you will then  
Have nothing else to fear;  
Make you his service your delight,  
Your wants shall be his care.

6. To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
The God whom we adore,  
Be glory, as it was, is now,  
And shall be evermore. Amen.

Words: Nahum Tate (1652-1715)  
and Nicholas Brady (1659-1726)  
from New Version, 1696

Tune: WILTSHIRE NEH 467  
George Smart (1776-1867)  
from Collection of Sacred Music, 1863

## ORGAN VOLUNTARY

*Prelude and Fugue in G, BWV 550*

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

*Following the service, all are warmly invited to refreshments in the South Transept.*

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