



GUILDFORD
CATHEDRAL

6pm
20 November 2022

CHRIST THE KING CHORAL EVENSONG



WELCOME

CHRIST THE KING

The annual cycle of the Church's year now draws to a close with the Feast of Christ the King. The year that began on Advent Sunday 2021 with the hope of the coming Messiah ends today with the proclamation of his universal sovereignty. The ascension of Christ has revealed him to be Lord of earth and heaven, and final judgement is one of his proper kingly purposes. The Feast of Christ the King then turns our attention towards the Advent theme of judgement, and the cycle of the church year begins once more.

COLLECTION

Your support makes a real difference to the ministry and mission of Guildford Cathedral. If you would like to support this work on a regular basis it's very simple to set up a direct debit via the Parish Giving Scheme. The phone number is 0333 002 1271, and the Cathedral reference code is 170617001. One-off donations can be made using the Gift Aid envelopes or a contactless donation by using the contactless box (by the West Doors of the Cathedral), or our QR code. On behalf of all at Guildford Cathedral, thank you.



PARTICIPATION IN THE SERVICE

We sing the hymns and say together the words in **bold** type. Although posture is suggested please do whatever is most comfortable for you.

PRECES AND RESPONSES *Bernard Rose (1916-1996)*

CANTICLES Evening Service in A, *Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)*

The music tonight is led by the Cathedral Choir with Guildford Cathedral Singers under the musical direction of John Bawden and Katherine Dienes-Williams. The organ is played by Richard Moore, Sub Organist.

Please stand as the procession enters to organ music.

OPENING VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

○ 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.

WELCOME The Very Reverend Dianna Gwilliams, Dean of Guildford

HYMN

The head that once was crowned with thorns
is crowned with glory now:
a royal diadem adorns
the mighty Victor's brow.

The highest place that heaven affords
is his, is his by right,
the King of kings, and Lord of lords,
and heaven's eternal Light;

The joy all of all who dwell above,
the joy of all below,
to whom he manifests his love,
and grants his name to know.

To them the cross, with all its shame,
with all its grace, is given:
their name, an everlasting name,
their joy, the joy of heaven.

They suffer with their Lord below,
they reign with him above;
their profit and their joy to know
the mystery of his love.

The cross he bore is life and health,
though shame and death to him;
his people's hope, his people's wealth,
their everlasting theme.

words: Hebrews 2.10, Thomas Kelly (1769-1855)

music: CP 172, St Magnus, Jeremiah Clarke (c.1673-1707)

Sit **PSALM 72.1-7**

Give the King thy judgements, O God :
and thy righteousness unto the King's son.
Then shall he judge thy people according unto right :
and defend the poor.
The mountains also shall bring peace :
and the little hills righteousness unto the people.
He shall keep the simple folk by their right :
defend the children of the poor, and punish the wrong doer.
They shall fear thee, as long as the sun and moon endureth :
from one generation to another.
He shall come down like the rain into a fleece of wool :
even as the drops that water the earth.
In his time shall the righteous flourish :
yea, and abundance of peace, so long as the moon endureth.

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.

Chant: George Thalben-Ball (1896-1987)

Sit **OLD TESTAMENT** | Samuel 8.4-20

All the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, 'You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations.' But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, 'Give us a king to govern us.' Samuel prayed to the Lord, and the Lord said to Samuel, 'Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only - you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.'

So Samuel reported all the words of the Lord to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, 'These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plough his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers. He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers. He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you

have chosen for yourselves; but the Lord will not answer you in that day.'

But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, 'No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles.'

Stand **MAGNIFICAT**

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.

text: Luke 1.46-55

Sit **NEW TESTAMENT** John 18.33-37

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'

Stand **NUNC DIMITTIS**

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.

text: Luke 2. 29-32

APOSTLES' CREED

**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 Catholick Church;
the Communion of Saints;
the Forgiveness of sins;
the Resurrection of the body,
and the Life everlasting. Amen.**

THE LESSER LITANY, LORD'S PRAYER AND PRECES

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

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.

○ Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
And grant us thy salvation.

○ Lord, save the King.
And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

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

○ Lord, save thy people.
And bless thine inheritance.

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

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

THE COLLECT FOR CHRIST THE KING

Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE 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.

THE 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

Hallelujah! Amen!
O Judah, rejoice, and, in songs divine,
With cherubim and seraphim harmonious join!

words: Thomas Morell (1703-84)

music: from Judas Maccabeus, Georg Frederic Handel (1685-1759)

HOMILY The Very Reverend Dianna Gwilliams

THE PRAYERS

The Prayers conclude with

**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.**

Stand **HYMN**

Angel voices, ever singing
round thy throne of light,
angel harps, for ever ringing,
rest not day nor night;
thousands only live to bless thee
and confess thee
Lord of might.

Thou who art beyond the farthest
mortal eye can scan,
can it be that thou regardest
songs of sinful man?
Can we know that thou art near us,
and wilt hear us?
Yea, we can.

Yea, we know that thou rejoicest
o'er each work of thine;
thou didst ears and hands and voices
for thy praise design;
craftsman's art and music's measure
for thy pleasure
all combine.

In thy house, great God, we offer
of thine own to thee;
and for thine acceptance proffer
all unworthily
hearts and minds and hands and voices
in our choicest
psalmody.

Honour, glory, might, and merit
thine shall ever be,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
blessèd Trinity.
Of the best which thou hast given
earth and heaven
render thee.

text: Francis Pott (1832-1909)

music: CP 377, Angel Voices, E.G. Monk (1819-1900)

descant: John Bawden (b. 1943)

BLESSING

Christ our King make you faithful and strong to do his will,
that you may reign with him in glory;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Hymne d'actions de Grace "Te Deum" *Jean Langlais (1907-1991)*

*Common Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England,
material from which is included in this service, is copyright The Archbishops Council 2000. Scripture
quotations are from The New Revised Standard Version of the Bible copyright ©
1989 by the Division of Christian Education of the National Council of Churches in the USA.*

Used by permission. All Rights Reserved.

Hymns within copyright are reproduced under CC Licence 266692.

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

SERVICES TODAY

7.45am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) *in the Lady Chapel*

9.45am Cathedral Eucharist

6pm Choral Evensong

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

8am Tuesday

9am Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

Holy Communion *in the Lady Chapel*

8.30am Tuesday

9.30am Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

Evening Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

5.30pm Wednesday

Choral Evensong

5.00pm Saturday *sung by Fulham and Hammersmith Choir*

5.30pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY 27 November Advent Sunday

7.45am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) *in the Lady Chapel*

9.45 am Cathedral Eucharist

6pm Advent Procession with Carols

COMMUNITY COFFEE THURSDAY 24 NOVEMBER

At 11.15am we hold our monthly Community Coffee morning in Seasons Café where members of the community meet to discuss Cathedral goings on, national goings on, or just an opportunity to catch up with friends or meet new ones. All are welcome to attend.

GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM 2023

We will once again be going on pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham in 2023. The pilgrimage will run from Friday 11 – Sunday 13 August and I am very pleased that Dean Dianna has agreed to lead the pilgrimage. It provides opportunities to take part in the rich liturgies of the Shrine, Sunday Eucharist at St Mary's Parish Church, visit to the Slipper Chapel and Catholic shrine, or quiet reflection in the grounds of the Shrine or walking in the lovely surrounding Norfolk countryside. Fellowship, and deepening of faith is at the core of the weekend. The cost, full board including breakfast, lunch and dinner in the Shrine refectory will be around £170-£180 per person. If you are interested in joining us, or would like more information, then please contact Donald Thompson, in person at the Cathedral, or via email: rugbyfan1@ntlworld.com

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Our serving team is in desperate need of new recruits! They are a friendly bunch of lay people who take part in the services, carrying candles and crosses, and helping the clergy to present the worship. There are no age restrictions, lightweight crosses are available and full training is given.

After many years' dedicated service, Liz North will be retiring from her position as the Cathedral Archivist at the end of the year. This is a fascinating and fulfilling role and we'd love to discuss it further with you.

If you are interested in any of these opportunities please do email Julie on volunteer@guildford-cathedarl.org She looks forward to hearing from you.

FRIENDS FESTIVE AFTERNOON TEA – MONDAY 5 DECEMBER

The Friends of Guildford Cathedral invite you to join them for a delightful and delicious afternoon tea in Seasons Café at 4pm on Monday 5 December. Following the tea, all are welcome to attend Choral Evensong in the Cathedral. Tickets for the tea are £12.50 for friends, £13.50 for non-Friends, and are available from Lisa Hatherall, the Friends Secretary, via email on friends@guildford-cathedral.org or on 01483 547 875. If you would like to join the Friends please do contact Lisa using the details above.

'ADVENT – THE WAITING PLACE' SATURDAY 10 DECEMBER

You are warmly invited to St Mary's Church, Quarry Street, Guildford on Saturday 10 December for our next session on Practical Aspects of Spirituality. The session will be led by Sharon Seal, a spiritual director based at Ashted Church, Surrey. Participants are asked to arrive by 9.20am for a 9.30am start and to bring a notebook. There is a 20-minute mid-morning refreshment break and the session ends at 12.30pm. To reserve a place, please send an email to rjfox@btinternet.com

WEDDING ON SATURDAY 17 DECEMBER

Stephen and Ann Bourne's daughter Emily will marry Alastair Davidson on December 17 at 1.30pm. The Bourne family would be delighted to welcome any member of the congregation who wishes to attend the ceremony. Please arrive by 1.15pm at the latest to take full advantage of the seasonal music provided by members of the Cathedral's Music Department.

PRAYER REQUESTS

The Cathedral Prayer Diary is a list of those who have asked us to pray regularly for them during our services. If you know someone who would like to be added to the Cathedral Prayer Dairy, and you have their permission if it isn't you, then please contact any member of the clergy team or Emma Cooper on deanspa@guildford-cathedral.org