



GUILDFORD
CATHEDRAL

6pm
14 April 2024

THIRD SUNDAY
OF EASTER
CHORAL
EVENSONG



WELCOME

EASTERTIDE

The Great Fifty Days of Eastertide form a single festival period in which the tone of joy created at the Easter Vigil is sustained through the following seven weeks, and the Church celebrates the gloriously risen Christ.

Early Christians gave the name Pentecost to this whole fifty-day span. In those places where the custom of lighting the Easter Candle at the beginning of Easter is followed, the lit Candle stands prominently in church for all the Eastertide services. The Alleluia appears frequently in liturgical speech and song and the gold and white vestments along with the decoration of churches and fresh flowers after the austerity of Lent emphasize the joy and brightness of the season.

On the fortieth day there has, from the late fourth century, been a particular celebration of Christ's ascension. He commissions his disciples to continue his work, he promises the gift of the Holy Spirit, and then he is no longer among them in the flesh. The ascension is therefore closely connected with the theme of mission. The arrival of the promised gift of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost completes and crowns the Easter Festival.

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. A large print copy of this order of service is available from the stewards.

THE WHYTE EFFECT

We are grateful to The Whyte Effect, directed by Nicholas Yates and Gerald Place, who sing the service for us whilst the Cathedral choir is on holiday.

PRECES AND RESPONSES

William Smith (1603-1645)

CANTICLES

Short Evening Service Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

OFFICIANT AND PREACHER

The officiant and preacher this evening is the Reverend Canon Mavis Wilson.

Please stand as the procession enters to organ music

Stand

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 Reverend Canon Mavis Wilson

HYMN



Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain,
wheat that in the dark earth many years has lain;
love lives again, that with the dead has been:
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

In the grave they laid him, Love whom we had slain,
thinking that never he would wake again,
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain,
quick from the dead my risen Lord is seen:
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving or in pain,
thy touch can call us back to life again,
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

Words: John Macleod Campbell Crum (1872-1958)

*Music: CP 153, Noel Nouvelet, Old French melody, harmonised by Martin Shaw
(1875-1958)*

Sit **PSALM 142**

I cried unto the Lord with my voice :
yea, even unto the Lord did I make my supplication.
I poured out my complaints before him :
and shewed him of my trouble.
When my spirit was in heaviness thou knewest my path :
in the way wherein I walked have they privily laid a snare for me.
I looked also upon my right hand :
and saw there was no man that would know me.
I had no place to flee unto :
and no man cared for my soul.
I cried unto thee, O Lord, and said :
Thou art my hope, and my portion in the land of the living.
Consider my complaint :
for I am brought very low.
O deliver me from my persecutors :
for they are too strong for me.
Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks unto thy Name :
which thing if thou wilt grant me,
then shall the righteous resort unto my company.

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: Samuel Wesley (1766-1837)

Sit **OLD TESTAMENT** Deuteronomy 7.7-13

It was not because you were more numerous than any other people that the Lord set his heart on you and chose you - for you were the fewest of all peoples. It was because the Lord loved you and kept the oath that he swore to your ancestors, that the Lord has brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. Know therefore that the Lord your God is God, the faithful God who maintains covenant loyalty with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations, and who repays in their own person those who reject him. He does not delay but repays in their own person those who reject him. Therefore, observe diligently the commandment - the statutes and the ordinances - that I am commanding you today.

If you heed these ordinances, by diligently observing them, the Lord your God will maintain with you the covenant loyalty that he swore to your ancestors; he will love you, bless you, and multiply you; he will bless the fruit of your womb and the fruit of your ground, your grain and your wine and your oil, the increase of your cattle and the issue of your flock, in the land that he swore to your ancestors to give you.

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** Revelation 2.1-11

‘To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: These are the words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand, who walks among the seven golden lampstands:

‘I know your works, your toil and your patient endurance. I know that you cannot tolerate evildoers; you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them to be false. I also know that you are enduring patiently and bearing up for the sake of my name, and that you have not grown weary. But I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first. Remember then from what you have fallen; repent, and do the works you did at first. If not, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent. Yet this is to your credit: you hate the works of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is

saying to the churches. To everyone who conquers, I will give permission to eat from the tree of life that is in the paradise of God.

‘And to the angel of the church in Smyrna write: These are the words of the first and the last, who was dead and came to life:

‘I know your affliction and your poverty, even though you are rich. I know the slander on the part of those who say that they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan. Do not fear what you are about to suffer. Beware, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison so that you may be tested, and for ten days you will have affliction. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life. Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches. Whoever conquers will not be harmed by the second death.’

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 or
kneel*

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 OF THE DAY

Almighty Father,
who in thy great mercy gladdened the disciples
with the sight of the risen Lord:
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life
and serve thee continually in righteousness and truth;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
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.

Sit **ANTHEM**

Inviolata, integra et
casta es Maria:
quae es effecta
fulgida caeli porta.

O Mater alma,
Christi carissima,
Suscipe pia. Laudum
praeconia.
Te nunc flagitant devota
corda et ora:
Nostra ut pura pectora
sint et corpora.
Tua per precata
dulcisona:
Nobis concedas

*Inviolata, whole and
chaste are you, Mary:
you are the shining
gate of heaven.
O kind mother,
dearest to Christ,
accept our faithful
hymns of praise.
To you our hearts
and lips cry out:
may our souls and
bodies be pure.
Through your prayers'
sweet sounds:
grant us*

veniam per saecula.
O benigna! O Regina!
Maria!
Quae sola inviolata
permansisti.

*forgiveness for ever.
O kindly one! O Queen!
O Mary!
you alone
remain inviolate.*

*Words: a sequence hymn associated with Candlemas
Music: Josquin Des Prez (c.1450-1521)*

HOMILY Reverend Canon Mavis Wilson

*Sit or
kneel*

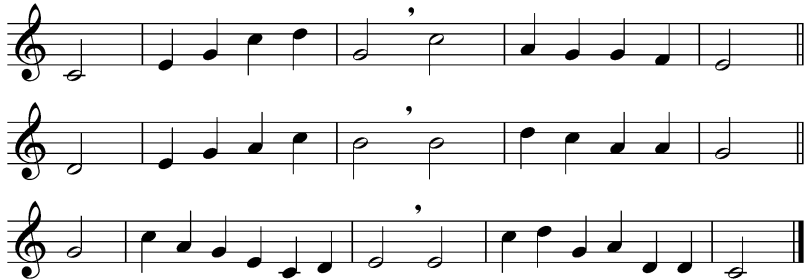
THE PRAYERS

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



You shall go out with joy
and come again in peace;
the mountains and the hills
shall sing and never cease;
the Son of God is ris'n again,
his love has conquered death's domain.

The trees in every field
shall clap their hands, and say
'Come shout aloud, and help
us celebrate this day!'
Jesus, the King, has burst the grave,
and lives once more to heal and save.

The Word, like rain or snow,
has come down from above,
and now reveals to all
God's purposes of love;
the Word made flesh, once dead, now lives,
new life to all he freely gives.

The myrtle for the briar,
the cypress for the thorn,
shall rise to tell the world
of its awaking dawn.
Jesus, the Life, the Truth, the Way,
has ushered in God's great new day.

Words: Sing Praise 82, N. T. Wright (b. 1948) based on Isaiah 55.10-13
Music: CP 152, Christchurch, Charles Steggall (1826-1905)

BLESSING

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.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Paraphrase sur le 'Judas Maccabaeus' de Handel
Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911)

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

SERVICES TODAY SUNDAY 14 APRIL

7.30am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

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

9.45am Cathedral Eucharist *sung by Guildford Cathedral Singers*

6pm Choral Evensong *sung by The Whyte Effect*

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

8am Tuesday

8.30am Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

9am Saturday

Holy Communion *in the Lady Chapel*

8.30am Tuesday

9am Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

9.30am Saturday

Evening Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

5.30pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY 21 APRIL

7.30am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

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

9.45am Cathedral Eucharist *sung by the Stag Consort*

6pm Choral Evensong *sung by the Stag Consort*

TRADITIONAL LANGUAGE EUCHARIST

The next Choral Eucharist in traditional language (Common Worship Order Two) will be at 11.30am on Sunday 28 April.

COFFEE CONCERT THURSDAY 18 APRIL

Given by Jeanne and Theo Kalorkoti (xylophone and piano).

Coffee is served from 10.30am, with the concert starting at 11.15am and finishing at 12.00noon. Entry is free.

TENORS AND BASSES NEEDED!

If you are an experienced singer, then you may be interested to learn that Guildford Cathedral Singers (who sing our Sunday services about once a month) are looking for a few more tenors and basses to join them. You will need good musicality and sight reading skills – find out more at <https://www.guildford-cathedral.org/music/singers>.

GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM 2024

A group will once again be going on pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham in 2024. The pilgrimage will run from Friday 16 to Sunday 18 August, with the option of staying until after breakfast on Monday 19 August. I am very pleased that Canon Gilly Myers will be accompanying us. The pilgrimage provides opportunities to take part in the rich liturgies of the Shrine, Sunday Eucharist at St Mary's Parish Church, a visit to the Slipper Chapel and Catholic Shrine, or quiet reflection in the grounds of the Shrine and 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 £180-£258 per person depending on whether you wish to stay the Sunday night. 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, d.thompson@rhul.ac.uk.

HOLY WEEK SPEAKER ADDRESSES

If you enjoyed listening to the addresses given by Father Charlie Annis during Holy Week, or were not able to attend and would like to read them, you can download the texts from the Cathedral website (<https://www.guildford-cathedral.org/worship/services/holy-week-compline-addresses>). They will be available for a month.

GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL MUSIC PATRONS' SCHEME

Many of you have supported our chorister sponsorship scheme over the years, and many also give to the Music Development Foundation, for which we have been very grateful. The Music Patrons' Scheme was launched in January and is for those who would like to support all of the

music of Guildford Cathedral in its entirety, from sheet music to musicians, and everything in between. As a Patron you will be the first to hear about our choir and organists, their concerts and other events throughout the year, and there are other members' benefits in store, too. If you are interested and would like to know more about becoming a Patron, please contact the Development Team, Nicola Pratt (headofdevelopment@guildford-cathedral.org) or Karen Taylor (fundraising.officer@guildford-cathedral.org).

CHORAL EVENSONG SATURDAY 11 MAY, 5pm

To celebrate the 90th birthday of Barry Rose, the first Master of the Choristers here. Please see information below. To book a free seat please go to <https://www.guildford-cathedral.org/events/boxoffice/737>.



Join us for Choral Evensong - a celebration of
Dr Barry Rose OBE for his 90th Birthday

Guildford Cathedral Choristers conducted by Dr Barry Rose OBE

Music chosen by Dr Barry Rose OBE reflecting his long and illustrious career and music connections.

Saturday 11 May
5pm

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