



Ordinations

*Come Holy Spirit, and kindle in us
the fire of your love*

The Ordination of Deacons

Saturday, 30 September 2017



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A very warm welcome to Chelmsford Cathedral, especially if you are a visitor or here for the first time. Everything you need for this celebration is in this booklet, including the hymns and details of all the music. Welcome stewards are on duty. If you are a visitor, or have any questions about the life of the church in this place, please make yourself known to them.

The president is the Right Reverend Stephen Cottrell, Bishop of Chelmsford. The preacher is the Very Revd Christopher Dalliston, Dean of Newcastle.

The Eucharist is sung to the Mass of St Cedd by Peter Nardone. The Cathedral Choir is directed by James Davy and the opening worship is led by Elwin Cockett.

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Please pray for all those who are being ordained today:

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Suzy Sharon Edmundson
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¶ Prayer and Praise

From thirty minutes before the formal service begins there will be a time of prayer and praise. A range of the following hymns and worship songs will be used at each of the ordination services. Please use this time to prepare and to pray both for the person you have come to support and for each of the candidates on this special day.

How great is our God

**The splendour of the King,
clothed in majesty.**

**Let all the earth rejoice,
all the earth rejoice.**

**He wraps himself in Light,
and darkness tries to hide.**

**And trembles at his voice,
trembles at his voice.**

*How great is our God, sing with me.
How great is our God, and all will see.
How great, how great is our God.*

**Age to age He stands
and time is in His hands,
beginning and the end,
beginning and the end.**

**The Godhead Three in One,
Father, Spirit, Son,
the Lion and the Lamb
the Lion and the Lamb.**

*Bridge:
Name above all names,
worthy of all praise,
my heart will sing
how great is our God.*

Words and music: Chris Tomlin

Longing for light

**Longing for light, we wait in darkness;
longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people:
light for the world to see.**

***Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts!
Shine through the darkness!
Christ be our light!
Shine in your church, gathered today!***

**Longing for peace, our world is troubled;
longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has power to save us:
make us your living voice.**

**Longing for food, many are hungry;
longing for water, still many thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others:
shared until all are fed.**

**Longing for shelter, many are homeless;
longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others:
walls made of living stone.**

**Many the gifts, many the people;
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another:
making your kingdom come.**

Words and music: Bernadette Farrell

The Lord's my shepherd

**The Lord's my Shepherd I'll not want;
he makes me lie in pastures green,
he leads me by the still, still waters,
his goodness restores my soul.**

***And I will trust in you alone,
and I will trust in you alone,
for your endless mercy follows me,
your goodness will lead me home.***

**He guides my ways in righteousness,
and he anoints my head with oil;
and my cup – it overflows with joy,
I feast on his pure delights.**

**And through I walk the darkest path –
I will not fear the evil one,
for you are with me and your rod and staff
are the comfort I need to know.**

Words and music: Stuart Townend

Blessed be the name of the Lord

**Blessèd be your name
in the land that is plentiful,
where your streams of abundance flow,
blessèd be your name.**

**And blessèd be your name
when I'm found in the desert place,
though I walk through the wilderness,
blessèd be your name**

**Every blessing you pour out I'll turn back to praise.
And when the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say:**

***Blessèd be the name of the Lord,
blessèd be your name.***

***Blessèd be the name of the Lord,
blessèd be your glorious name.***

You give and take away, you give and take away.

My heart will choose to say,

'Lord, blessèd be your name, your name.'

**Blessèd be your name
when the sun's shining down on me,
when the world's 'all it should be,'
Blessèd be your name.
And blessèd be your name
on the road marked with suffering,
though there's pain in the offering,
Blessèd be your name.**

Words & Music: Beth & Matt Redman

King of kings

**King of kings, majesty,
God of heaven living in me,
gentle Saviour, closest friend,
strong deliverer, beginning and end,
all within me falls at your throne.**

Your majesty, I can but bow.

I lay my all before you now.

In royal robes I don't deserve

I live to serve your majesty.

**Earth and heaven worship you,
love eternal, faithful and true,
who brought the nations, ransomed souls,
brought this sinner near to your throne;
all within me cries out in praise.**

Your majesty...

Words and music: Jarrod Cooper

Light of the world

**Light of the world,
you stepped down into darkness,
opened my eyes let me see;
beauty that made this heart adore you;
hope of a life spent with you.**

**So here I am to worship,
here I am to bow down,
here I am to say that you're my God.
You're altogether lovely,
altogether worthy,
altogether wonderful to me.**

**King of all days.
oh so highly exalted,
glorious in heaven above;
humbly you came to the earth you created;
all for love's sake became poor.
So here I am ...**

Words & Music: Tim Hughes

Ten thousand reasons

***Bless the Lord oh my soul, oh my soul,
worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, oh my soul
I'll worship your holy name.***

**The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning.
It's time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,
let me be singing when the evening comes.**

***Bless the Lord oh my soul, oh my soul,
worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, oh my soul
I'll worship your holy name.***

**You're rich in love and you're slow to anger.
Your name is great and your heart is kind.
For all your goodness I will keep on singing.
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.**

***Bless the Lord oh my soul, oh my soul,
worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, oh my soul
I'll worship your holy name.***

**And on that day when my strength is failing
the end draws near and my time has come.
Still my soul will sing your praise unending.
Ten thousand years and then forevermore.**

***Bless the Lord oh my soul, oh my soul,
worship his holy name.***

***Sing like never before, oh my soul
I'll worship your holy name. (x 2)***

***Yes I'll worship your holy name
Lord I'll worship your holy name.***

Words and music: Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman

My Jesus, my Saviour

**My Jesus, my Saviour,
Lord, there is none like you.
All of my days I want to praise
the wonders of your mighty love.**

**My comfort, my shelter,
tower of refuge and strength,
let every breath, all that I am,
never cease to worship you.**

***Shout to the Lord all the earth, let us sing,
power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
at the sound of your name.***

***I sing for joy at the work of your hands,
for ever I'll love you, for ever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise
I have in you.***

Words and music: Darlene Zschech

¶ The Gathering

Opening Hymn

During the hymn the Bishop's procession enters the Cathedral.

**Glorious things of thee are spoken,
Sion, 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.**

**Round each habitation hovering,
see the cloud and fire appear
for a glory and a covering,
showing that the Lord is near.
Thus they march, the pillar leading,
light by night and shade by day;
daily on the manna feeding
which he gives them when they pray.**

Organ interlude.

**Blest inhabitants of Sion,
washed in their Redeemer's blood!
Jesus, whom their souls rely on,
makes them kings and priests to God.
'Tis his love his people raises
over self to reign as kings,
and as priests his solemn praises
each for a thank-off'ring brings.**

**Saviour, since of Sion'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 Sion's children know.**

*Words: John Newton (1725-1807)
Tune: Abbotts Leigh*

The Greeting

The Bishop says:

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
All **Blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

There is one body and one spirit.
All **There is one hope to which we were called;**

One Lord, one faith, one baptism,
All **one God and Father of all.**

Peace be with you
All **and also with you.**

The Bishop welcomes the congregation and introduces the service.

The Bishop says

God calls his people to follow Christ, and forms us into a royal priesthood, a holy nation, to declare the wonderful deeds of him who has called us out of darkness into his marvellous light.

The Church is the Body of Christ, the people of God and the dwelling-place of the Holy Spirit. In baptism the whole Church is summoned to witness to God's love and to work for the coming of his kingdom.

To serve this royal priesthood, God has given a variety of ministries. Deacons are ordained so that the people of God may be better equipped to make Christ known. Theirs is a life of visible self-giving. Christ is the pattern of their calling and their commission; as he washed the feet of his disciples, so they must wash the feet of others.

The Presentation

The congregation sits. The candidates stand before the bishop. The candidates are presented by the Archdeacons.

An Archdeacon says:

Right Reverend Father in God, we present the following candidates to be ordained to the office of Deacon in the Church of God: *N*

The Training Ministers say:

s/he is to serve in the parish of N.

When all the candidates have been presented, the bishop asks these questions, to which the appropriate people respond:

Have those whose duty it is to know these persons and examine them found them to be of godly life and sound learning?

Tutor They have.

Do they believe them to be duly called to serve God in this ministry?

Diocesan Director of Ordinands

They do.

The bishop turns to the ordinands and says:

Do you believe that God is calling you to this ministry?

Ordinands I do so believe.

The Bishop says

I invite the Registrar to confirm that the ordinands have taken the necessary oaths and made the Declaration of Assent.

The Registrar says

They have duly taken the oath of allegiance to the Sovereign and the oath of canonical obedience to the Bishop. They have affirmed and declared their belief in 'the faith which is revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the catholic creeds and to which the historic formularies of the Church of England bear witness'.

The Collect

The Bishop invites the whole congregation to pray

Let us pray for these candidates, and for the ministry of the whole people of God.

The congregation stands, and there follows a pause for silent prayer

God our Father, Lord of all the world,
through your Son you have called us into the fellowship
of your universal Church:
hear our prayer for your faithful people
that in their vocation and ministry
each may be an instrument of your love,
and give to your servants now to be ordained
the needful gifts of grace;
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.

All **Amen.**

¶ *The Liturgy of the Word*

The candidates return to their places.

Please sit

The Reading

Philippians 2: 5- 11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.

All **My lips shall proclaim your faithfulness.**

Psalm 139

Please stand to sing the Psalm together.

**O God, you search me and you know me.
All my thoughts lie open to your gaze.
When I walk or lie down you are before me:
ever the maker and keeper of my days.**

**You know my resting and my rising.
You discern my purpose from afar,
and with love everlasting you besiege me:
in ev'ry moment of life or death, you are.**

**Before a word is on my tongue, Lord,
you have known its meaning through and through.
You are with me beyond my understanding:
God of my present, my past and future, too.**

**Although your Spirit is upon me,
still I search for shelter from your light.
There is nowhere on earth I can escape you:
even the darkness is radiant in your sight.**

**For you created me and shaped me,
gave me life within my mother's womb.
For the wonder of who I am, I praise you:
safe in your hands, all creation is made new.**

Words: from Psalm 139

Music: Bernadette Farrell

Alleluia

Please stand for the Alleluia which heralds the Gospel reading.

The Choir sings the Alleluia refrain once and all sing it the second time.

The refrain is repeated after the verse.



Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

Choir: Those who would follow the Lord must learn to be a servant,
for he came not to be served but to serve.

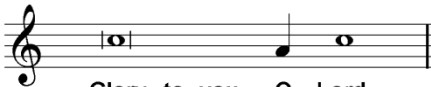
All **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

The Gospel Reading

Mark 10: 35 -45

Please turn to face the deacon who says:

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

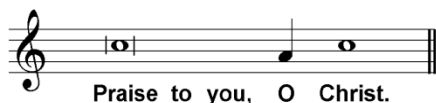


Glory to you, O Lord.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.'

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sermon

The Very Revd Christopher Dalliston, Dean of Newcastle

¶ The Liturgy of Ordination

Please remain seated

The Declaration

The candidates stand before the Bishop who says:

Deacons are called to work with the Bishop and the priests with whom they serve as heralds of Christ's kingdom. They are to proclaim the gospel in word and deed, as agents of God's purposes of love. They are to serve the community in which they are set, bringing to the Church the needs and hopes of all the people. They are to work with their fellow members in searching out the poor and weak, the sick and lonely and those who are oppressed and powerless, reaching into the forgotten corners of the world that the love of God may be made visible.

Deacons share in the pastoral ministry of the Church and in leading God's people in worship. They preach the word and bring the needs of the world before the Church in intercession. They accompany those searching for faith and bring them to baptism. They assist in administering the sacraments; they distribute communion and minister to the sick and housebound.

Deacons are to seek nourishment from the Scriptures; they are to study them with God's people, that the whole Church may be equipped to live out the gospel in the world. They are to be faithful in prayer, expectant and watchful for the signs of God's presence, as he reveals his kingdom among us.

The Bishop addresses the ordinands directly:

We trust that you are fully determined, by the grace of God, to give yourselves wholly to his service, that you may draw his people into that new life which God has prepared for those who love him.

And now, in order that we may know your mind and purpose, you must make the declarations we put to you.

Do you accept the Holy Scriptures as revealing all things necessary for eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ?

Candidates **I do so accept them.**

Will you be diligent in prayer, in reading Holy Scripture, and in all studies that will deepen your faith and fit you to bear witness to the truth of the gospel?

Candidates **By the help of God, I will.**

Do you believe the doctrine of the Christian faith as the Church of England has received it, and in your ministry will you expound and teach it?

Candidates **I believe it, and will so do.**

Will you strive to make the love of Christ known through word and example, and have a particular care for those in need?

Candidates **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you be a faithful servant in the household of God, after the example of Christ, who came not to be served but to serve?

Candidates **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you endeavour to fashion your own life and that of your household according to the way of Christ, that you may be a pattern and example to Christ's people?

Candidates **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you work with your fellow servants in the gospel for the sake of the kingdom of God?

Candidates **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you accept the discipline of this Church and give due respect to those in authority?

Candidates **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you then, in the strength of the Holy Spirit, continually stir up the gift of God that is in you, to grow in holiness and grace?

Candidates **By the help of God, I will.**

The congregation stands and the ordinands turn and face them.

Brothers and sisters, you have heard how great is the charge that these ordinands are ready to undertake, and you have heard their declarations. Is it now your will that they should be ordained?

People **It is.**

Will you continually pray for them?

People **We will.**

Will you uphold and encourage them in their ministry?

People **We will.**

The ordinands turn back to face the bishop, who continues, addressing them:

In the name of our Lord, we bid you remember the greatness of the trust in which you are now to share: the ministry of Christ himself, who for our sake took the form of a servant. Remember always with thanksgiving that the people among whom you will minister are made in God's image and likeness. In serving them you are serving Christ himself, before whom you will be called to account.

You cannot bear the weight of this calling in your own strength, but only by the grace and power of God. Pray therefore that your heart may daily be enlarged and your understanding of the Scriptures enlightened.

Pray earnestly for the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Please sit or kneel for a time of silence. After which the hymn is sung.

Bishop Come Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
All **and lighten with celestial fire;
 thou the anointing Spirit art,
 who dost thy sevenfold gift**

**Thy blessèd unction from above
is comfort, life, and fire of love;
enable with perpetual light
the dullness of our blinded sight.**

**Anoint and cheer our soiled face
with the abundance of thy grace:
keep far our foes, give peace at home;
where thou art guide no ill can come.**

**Teach us to know the Father, Son,
and thee, of both to be but One;
that through the ages all along
this may be our endless song,**

**'Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.' Amen.**

*Veni, creator Spiritus
attributed to Rabanus Maurus c776-856 and John Cosin 1594 -1672
Tune: Veni Creator (NEH 138)*

The Ordination Prayer

Please sit. The Bishops stand to pray

The bishop stretches out his hands towards the candidates and says: During the Ordination prayer the Choir will sing Veni Sancte Spiritus (Taizé).

We praise and glorify you, almighty Father,
because in your infinite love you have formed throughout the world
a holy people for your own possession,
a royal priesthood,
a universal Church.

We praise and glorify you
because you sent your only Son Jesus Christ
to take the form of a slave;
he humbled himself for our sake,
and in obedience accepted death,
even death on a cross.

We praise and glorify you
because in every age you send your Spirit
to fill those whom you have chosen,
to equip your holy people for the work of ministry,
for the building up of the body of Christ.

And now we give you thanks
that you have called these your servants,
whom we ordain in your name,
to share as deacons in the ministry of the gospel of Christ,
who came not to be served but to serve,
and to give his life as a ransom for many.

Therefore, Father, through Christ our Lord we pray:

Here the Bishop lays his hands on the head of each candidate and says:

Send down the Holy Spirit on your servant N
for the office and work of a deacon in your Church.

Through your Spirit, heavenly Father,
give these your servants grace and power to fulfil their ministry.

Make them faithful to serve
and constant in advancing your gospel in the world.
May they follow the example of Jesus Christ your Son,
who washed the feet of his disciples,
and set the needs of others before his own.
May their life be disciplined and holy,
their words declare your love
and their actions reveal your glory,
that your people may walk with them in the way of truth
and be made ready for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ;
to whom, with you and your Holy Spirit,
belong glory and honour, worship and praise, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

The deacons are vested by the Archdeacons.

The Giving of the Bible

The deacons are each given a Bible by the bishop. When all have received their bibles the bishop says:

Receive this Book, as a sign of the authority given you this day to speak God's word to his people. Build them up in his truth, and serve them in his name.

The Welcome

The newly ordained deacons stand. The Director of Ordinands says:

We preach not ourselves but Christ Jesus as Lord,
and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake.

All **We welcome you as fellow servants in the gospel:
may Christ dwell in your hearts through faith,
that you may be rooted and grounded in love.**

Please stand

¶ The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The Bishop introduces the peace with these words

We are all one in Christ Jesus.
We belong to him through faith,
heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.

All The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

The Deacon says

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

The bishop greets the deacons. Please exchange a sign of peace with one another.

Hymn

**And can it be that I should gain
an interest in the Saviour's blood?
Died he for me, who caused his pain?
For me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be
that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?**

**'Tis mystery all: the Immortal dies!
Who can explore his strange design?
In vain the first-born seraph tries
to sound the depths of love divine.
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore,
let angel minds enquire no more.**

**He left his Father's throne above
so free, so infinite his grace –
emptied himself of all but love,
and bled for Adam's helpless race.
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
for, O my God, it found out me!**

**Long my imprisoned spirit lay
fast bound in sin and nature's night;
thine eye diffused a quickening ray;
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
my chains fell off, my heart was free,
I rose, went forth, and followed thee.**

**No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
Alive in him, my living Head,
and clothed in righteousness divine,
bold I approach the eternal throne,
and claim the crown, through Christ, my own.**

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Tune: Sagina

Prayer at the Preparation of the Altar

The Bishop says

Be present, be present,
Lord Jesus Christ,
our risen high priest;
make yourself known in the breaking of bread.

All **Amen.**

Please remain standing

The Eucharistic Prayer



Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth;
we give you thanks and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who came not to be served, but to serve
and to give his life a ransom for many.
He calls his faithful servants
to lead your holy people in love,
nourishing them by your word and sacraments.
Now with all creation we raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

All sing together

(Organ) Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry
Ho - san - na in the high - est. (Organ)
Bles - sed is he who comes, who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.

The deacon says

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:
All **Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, 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 the Mary, Peter, Cedd
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 **Amen.**

Please sit

The Lord's Prayer

O Christ, remember us in your kingdom
and teach us to pray:

All

**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.**

The Bishop breaks the consecrated bread, saying:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All

**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Giving of Communion

(Organ)

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on
us. (repeat) Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world: grant_ us peace, grant_ us peace.

The Bishop invites the congregation to receive communion:

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

There are several stations for receiving communion – please follow the directions of the stewards. Christians of all traditions are warmly welcome to receive communion. If you would prefer simply to receive a blessing, please come forward but keep your head bowed.

During Communion

One or more of the following hymns and songs will be sung during communion:

**There is a Redeemer,
Jesus, God's own Son,
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
holy one.**

*Thank you, O my Father,
for giving us your Son,
and leaving your Spirit
till the work on earth is done.*

**Jesus, my Redeemer,
name above all names,
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
O for sinners slain:**

Thank you, O my Father...

**When I stand in glory
I will see his face,
and there I'll serve me king for ever
in that holy place.**

Thank you, O my Father...

*Words: Melody and Keith Green
Tune: There is a Redeemer*

**There's a wideness in God's mercy
like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in his justice,
which is more than liberty.
There is no place where earth's sorrows
are more felt than up in heaven;
there is no place where earth's failings
have such kindly judgement given.**

**For the love of God is broader
than the measure of man's mind;
and the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.
But we make his love too narrow
by false limits of our own;
and we magnify his strictness
with a zeal he will not own.**

**There is plentiful redemption
in the blood that has been shed;
there is joy for all the members
in the sorrows of the Head.
There is grace enough for thousands
of new worlds as great as this;
there is room for fresh creations
in that upper home of bliss.**

**If our love were but more simple,
we should take him at his word;
and our lives would be all gladness
in the joy of Christ our Lord.**

*Tune: Corvedale
Words: F W Faber (1814-1863)*

**As the deer pants for the water
so my soul longs after you.
You alone are my heart's desire
and I long to worship You**

*You alone are my strength, my shield,
to you alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire
and I long to worship you.*

**I want you more than gold or silver,
only you can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy giver
and the apple of my eye.**

You alone...

**You're my friend and you are my brother
even though you are a king.
I love you more than any other,
so much more than anything.**

You alone...

Words & music: Martin Nystrom.

**Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One is here;
come bow before him now
with reverence and fear:
in him no sin is found –
we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One is here.**

**Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
he burns with holy fire,
with splendour he is crowned:
how awesome is the sight –
our radiant king of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.**

**Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place;
he comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister his grace –
no work too hard for him.
In faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.**

*Words and melody: David J Evans
Tune: Be Still*

Anthem

The Choir sings

*O Lord, increase my faith, strengthen me and confirm me in thy true faith:
endue me with wisdom, charity and patience in all my adversity. Sweet Jesus, say Amen.*

Music: Henry Loosemore (c 1605-1670)

Prayer after Communion

The Bishop says:

Holy and blessed God,
you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son
and filled us with your Holy Spirit:
may we honour you,
not only with our lips
but in lives dedicated to the service
of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Please stand

¶ The Dismissal

The Blessing

The Bishop says:

All The Lord be with you
and also with you.

God who has called you is faithful.

May the Father, whose glory fills the heavens,
cleanse you by his holiness
and send you to proclaim his word.

All **Amen.**

May Christ, who has ascended to the heights,
pour upon you the riches of his grace.

All **Amen.**

May the Holy Spirit, the comforter,
equip you and strengthen you in your ministry.

All **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you, and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

The deacon says:

All Go in the light and peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn

During the Hymn the Bishop leads the newly ordained deacons out of the Cathedral and the other processions follow.

**Come, Holy Spirit, come!
Inflame our souls with love,
transforming every heart and home
with wisdom from above.
O let us not despise
the humble path Christ trod,
but choose, to shame the worldly-wise,
the foolishness of God.**

**All-knowing Spirit, prove
the poverty of pride,
by knowledge of the Father's love
in Jesus crucified.
And grant us faith to know
the glory of that sign,
and in our very lives to show
the marks of love divine.**

**Come with the gift to heal
the wounds of guilt and fear,
and to oppression's face reveal
the kingdom drawing near.
Where chaos longs to reign,
descend, O holy Dove,
and free us all to work again
the miracle of love.**

**Spirit of truth, arise;
inspire the prophet's voice:
expose to scorn the tyrant's lies,
and bid the poor rejoice.
O Spirit, clear our sight,
all prejudice remove,
and help us to discern the right,
and covet only love.**

**Give us the tongues to speak,
in every time and place,
to rich and poor, to strong and weak,
the word of love and grace.
Enable us to hear
the words that others bring,
interpreting with open ear
the special song they sing.**

**Come, Holy Spirit, dance
within our hearts today,
our earthbound spirits to entrance,
our mortal fears allay.
And teach us to desire,
all other things above,
that self-consuming holy fire,
the perfect gift of love!**

*Words: Michael Forster (b 1946)
based on 1 Corinthians 12.4-11
Tune: Diademata*

There is a retiring collection as you leave the Cathedral, please give generously.

The congregation is invited to follow after the procession, and to join the newly-ordained deacons as they gather outside on the south side of the Cathedral.



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