

***The Holy Eucharist  
The Third Sunday of Epiphany***

*Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> January  
at 11.15am*

*President: The Revd Olivia Maxfield-Coote  
Preacher: The Venerable David Lowman*

**Welcome to Chelmsford Cathedral.** Everything you need for this celebration is in this booklet. Please ensure that your mobile phone is switched off and keep your belongings with you.

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# The Gathering

Before the service begins, the congregation is welcomed. Please stand to sing:

## Hymn

OLD HUNDREDTH LM

Genevan Psalter 1551, the fourth line  
fitted to English versions 1561-3



Arise, shine out, your light has come,  
unfolding City of our dreams.  
On distant hills a glory gleams:  
the new creation has begun.

Above earth's valleys, thick with night,  
high on your walls the dawn appears,  
and history shall dry its tears,  
as nations stream towards your light.

From walls surpassing time and space,  
unnumbered gates, like open hands,  
shall gather gifts from all the lands,  
and welcome all the human race.

The sounds of violence shall cease  
as dwellings of salvation rise  
to sparkle in eternal skies  
from avenues of praise and peace.

The dancing air shall glow with light  
and sun and moon give up their place  
when Love shines out of every face:  
our Good, our Glory, our Delight.

*Words: Brian Wren (b. 1936) based on Isaiah 60*

## The Greeting

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

*All* **Amen.**

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

*The president offers some words of welcome and introduction.*

## The 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.

*We keep a moment of quiet as we call to mind our sins.*

*All* **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.**

*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.

*All* **Amen.**

*Please be seated as the choir sings the Gloria.*

## **Gloria in Excelsis**

*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.*

## **The Collect**

*President* Let us pray.

*We keep a moment of quiet prayer.*

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.

*All*



**A - men.**

# ***The Liturgy of the Word***

## **The First Reading**

*Isaiah 9.1-4*

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness-on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

This is the word of the Lord.

*All*           **Thanks be to God.**

*The choir sings the Psalm:*

## **Psalm 27 1-11**

1 The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear : the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?

2 When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh : they stumbled and fell.

3 Though an host of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart be afraid : and though there rose up war against me, yet will I put my trust in him.

4 One thing have I desired of the Lord, which I will require : even that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the fair beauty of the Lord, and to visit his temple.

5 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his tabernacle : yea, in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me, and set me up upon a rock of stone.

6 And now shall he lift up mine head : above mine enemies round about me.

7 Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladness : I will sing, and speak praises unto the Lord.

8 Hearken unto my voice, O Lord, when I cry unto thee : have mercy upon me, and hear me.

9 My heart hath talked of thee, Seek ye my face : Thy face, Lord, will I seek.

10 O hide not thou thy face from me : nor cast thy servant away in displeasure.

I I Thou hast been my succour : leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.

## The Second Reading

*1 Corinthians 1.10-18*

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you should be in agreement and that there should be no divisions among you, but that you should be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, 'I belong to Paul', or 'I belong to Apollos', or 'I belong to Cephas', or 'I belong to Christ.' Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name.

(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

This is the word of the Lord.

*All*        **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand and turn to face the Gospel procession.*

## Gospel Acclamation



*Choir*        Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

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

*Choir*        Christ was revealed in flesh, proclaimed among the nations and believed in throughout the world.

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

## The Gospel Reading

Matthew 4.12-23

Deacon The Lord be with you

All **and also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Matthew.

All **Glory to you O Lord.**

Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

‘Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.’ From that time Jesus began to proclaim, ‘Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.’

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, ‘Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.’ Immediately they left their nets and followed him.

As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Please be seated.

## The Sermon

The Venerable David Lowman



*Please stand.*

## **The Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit  
and the Virgin Mary and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## Prayers of Intercession

*President* In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,  
let us pray to the Father.

*The congregation sits or kneels. At the end of the prayers the intercessor may say:*

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

*At the end of the intercessions, please stand.*

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

### 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.

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

*Deacon* Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*We remain standing to sing the offertory hymn, during which a collection is taken.*

### Hymn

LYNGHAM (DESERT)

Thomas Jarman (1782-1862) rhythm slightly adapted



O for a thousand tongues to sing  
*my dear redeemer's praise, (x2)*  
the glories of my God and King,  
*the triumphs of his grace! (x3)*

Jesus! the name that charms our fears,  
*that bids our sorrows cease; (x2)*  
'tis music in the sinner's ears,  
*'tis life, and health, and peace. (x3)*

He breaks the power of cancelled sin,  
*He sets the prisoner free: (x2)*  
His blood can make all people clean;  
*His blood availed for me. (x3)*

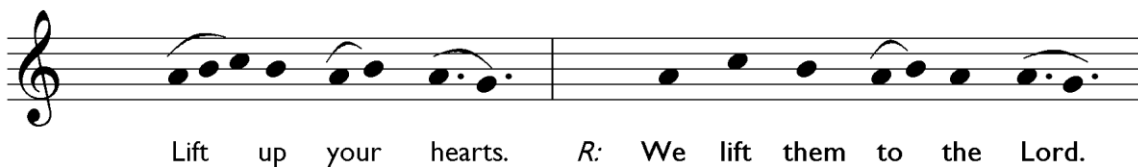
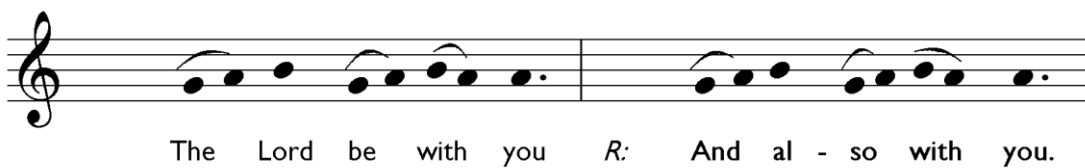
He speaks; and, listening to his voice,  
*new life the dead receive, (x2)*  
the mournful broken hearts rejoice,  
*the humble poor believe. (x3)*

My gracious Master and my God,  
*assist me to proclaim (x2)*  
and spread through all the earth abroad  
*the honours of thy name. (x3)*

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

*Please remain standing.*

## The Eucharistic Prayer



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:

*The choir sings the Sanctus and Benedictus:*

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

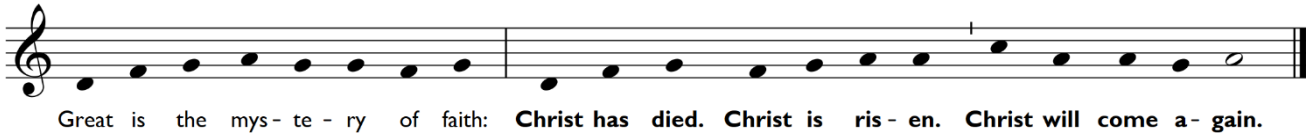
*Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

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.



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 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 or kneel.*

## The Lord's Prayer

*President* Believing the promises of God,  
let us pray with confidence in the words our Saviour gave us:

*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.**

## Breaking of the Bread

*President* 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.**

*The choir sings the Agnus Dei:*

## Agnus Dei

*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.*

## The Giving of Communion

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

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

*To indicate if you wish to receive Communion, please hold out your hands. If you simply wish to receive a blessing, please keep your head bowed.*

### Motet

How lovely are the Messengers that preach us the gospel of Peace.  
To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words.  
To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words,  
Throughout all the lands their glad tidings.  
How lovely are the Messengers that preach us the gospel of Peace.

*Words: Isaiah 52 v. 7*

*Music: Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)*

*We remain seated for the Communion hymn.*

## Hymn

WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET

Melody by Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608)



How brightly shines the Morning Star!  
The nations see and hail afar  
The Light in Judah shining.  
Thou David's son of Jacob's race,  
The Bridegroom, and the King of grace,  
For thee our hearts are pining!  
Lowly, holy,  
Great and glorious, thou victorious  
Prince of graces,  
Filling all the heavenly places!

Though circled by the hosts on high,  
He deigns to cast a pitying eye  
Upon his helpless creature;  
The whole creation's Head and Lord,  
By highest seraphim adored,  
Assumes our very nature.  
Jesu, grant us,  
Through thy merit, to inherit  
Thy salvation;  
Hear, O hear our supplication.



Rejoice, ye heav'ns; thou earth, reply;  
With praise, ye sinners, fill the sky,  
For this his incarnation.  
Incarnate God, put forth thy power,  
Ride on, ride on, great Conqueror,  
Till all know thy salvation.  
Amen, Amen!  
Alleluya, Alleluya!  
Praise be given  
Evermore by earth and heaven.

Words: German, Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608)  
trans. William Mercer (1811-1873)

## **Prayer after Communion**

*President* Let us pray.

*We keep a moment of quiet prayer.*

God of glory,  
you nourish us with your Word  
who is the bread of life:  
fill us with your Holy Spirit  
that through us the light of your glory  
may shine in all the world.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

*All* **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.**

*Please remain seated for the notices.*

## **Notices**

# The Dismissal

Please stand.

Hymn

PADERBORN

German folk melody included in *Gesangbuch*, Paderborn, 1765  
arranged by Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947)



The kingdom of God is justice and joy,  
for Jesus restores what sin would destroy;  
God's power and glory in Jesus we know,  
and here and here after the kingdom shall grow.

The kingdom of God is mercy and grace,  
the captives are freed, the sinners find place,  
the outcast are welcomed God's banquet to share,  
and hope is awakened in place of despair.

The kingdom of God is challenge and choice  
believe the good news, repent and rejoice!  
His love for us sinners brought Christ to his cross,  
our crisis of judgement for gain or for loss.

God's kingdom is come the gift and the goal  
in Jesus begun, in heaven made whole;  
the heirs of the kingdom shall answer his call,  
and all things cry 'Glory!' to God all in all.

Words: Bryn A. Rees (1911-1983)

## The Blessing

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

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.

*All* **Amen.**



## Organ Voluntary

Overture to 'St Paul'

*Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809-1847)*

*Please remain standing as the ministers depart.*

## Music Notes

This morning's closing voluntary is a new transcription of the overture to Felix Mendelssohn's 1836 oratorio, which recounts the life of St Paul. The Advent chorale 'Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme' (a theme often utilised by Mendelssohn's idol, JS Bach) features prominently, receiving luscious harmonisation in the noble introduction. A fugue follows, betraying further influence from Bach and Handel, building in intensity and complexity towards a sparking conclusion, which combines hymn and fugue subject in a riveting display of compositional ingenuity.

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