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Diocese of Chelmsford



Choral Evensong

with a farewell and thanksgiving for the ministry of

The Reverend Canon Ivor Moody

*Sunday 21st April
at 3.30 pm*

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Welcome to Evensong at 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.

Our service today includes a farewell and thanksgiving for the ministry of the **Revd Canon Ivor Moody**.

Ivor became Vice Dean and Canon Pastor of Chelmsford Cathedral in 2010. He chaired Essex Mind and Spirit, the Mid Essex Inter Faith Forum, the Chelmsford Single Homeless Forum and the Essex Faith Covenant. He was also chaplain to Essex County Council. Ivor has served all his professional life in the Diocese of Chelmsford. Ivor studied for a theology degree at King's College, London, and then trained for the priesthood at the College of the Resurrection, in Mirfield, West Yorkshire. He served curacies at St. Margaret's Leytonstone and St. Margaret's Leigh on Sea, before becoming vicar of St. John the Baptist, Tilbury Docks. In 1996 he moved to Chelmsford to take up a post as University Chaplain at the Chelmsford Campus of the Anglia Ruskin University, where he gained an MA in Pastoral Theology with the Cambridge Theological Federation. Ivor is married to Ruth and they have four grown up children.

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Music: The music is sung by the Cathedral Choir and Cathedral Singers, directed by Thomas Corns, the Interim Director of Music. The organist is Samuel Bristow, the Assistant Director of Music.

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Please remain seated as the choir sings the Introit from the West End.

Introit

If ye love me,
keep my commandments,
and I will pray the Father,
and he shall give you another Comforter,
that he may abide with you forever,
even the spirit of truth.

Words: John 14: 15-16

Music: Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

Please stand as the clergy and choir process in from the West Door.

Preces

Please remain standing as the Precentor and choir sing the opening responses.

Choir O Lord, open thou our lips,
 and our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

 O God, make speed to save us.

Choir O Lord, make haste to help us.

 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
 and to the Holy Ghost;

Choir as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
 world without end. Amen.

 Praise ye the Lord.

Choir The Lord's name be praised.

Music: Bernard Rose (1916-1996)

Please remain standing for the Office Hymn.

Office Hymn

REPTON

C. Hubert H. Parry 1848-1918
from a song in his oratorio *Judith*



**Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
forgive our foolish ways!
re-clothe us in our rightful mind,
in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper reverence praise.**

**In simple trust like theirs who heard,
beside the Syrian sea,
the gracious calling of the Lord,
let us, like them, without a word
rise up and follow thee.**

**O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with thee
the silence of eternity,
interpreted by love!**

**Drop thy still dews of quietness,
till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of thy peace.**

**Breathe through the heats of our desire
thy coolness and thy balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still small voice of calm!**

Words: John Whittier (1807-1892)

Please sit for the psalm.

Psalmody

Psalm 139

O LORD, thou hast searched me out and known me : thou knowest my down-sitting and mine up-rising, thou understandest my thoughts long before.
2 Thou art about my path, and about my bed : and spiest out all my ways.
3 For lo, there is not a word in my tongue : but thou, O Lord, knowest it altogether.
4 Thou hast fashioned me behind and before : and laid thine hand upon me.
5 Such knowledge is too wonderful and excellent for me : I cannot attain unto it.
6 Whither shall I go then from thy Spirit : or whither shall I go then from thy presence?
7 If I climb up into heaven, thou art there : if I go down to hell, thou art there also.
8 If I take the wings of the morning : and remain in the uttermost parts of the sea;
9 Even there also shall thy hand lead me : and thy right hand shall hold me.
10 If I say, Peradventure the darkness shall cover me : then shall my night be turned to day.
11 Yea, the darkness is no darkness with thee, but the night is as clear as the day : the darkness and light to thee are both alike.
12 For my reins are thine : thou hast covered me in my mother's womb.
13 I will give thanks unto thee, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made : marvellous are thy works, and that my soul knoweth right well.
14 My bones are not hid from thee : though I be made secretly, and fashioned beneath in the earth.
15 Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect : and in thy book were all my members written;
16 Which day by day were fashioned : when as yet there was none of them.
17 How dear are thy counsels unto me, O God : O how great is the sum of them!
18 If I tell them, they are more in number than the sand : when I wake up I am present with thee.
23 Try me, O God, and seek the ground of my heart : prove me, and examine my thoughts.
24 Look well if there be any way of wickedness in me : and lead me in the way everlasting.

Please 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.

Please be seated.

The First Reading

Isaiah 43.1–7

Read by Sidra Naeem.

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honoured, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, 'Give them up', and to the south, 'Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth— everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.'

Please stand as the choir sings:

Magnificat

My soul doth magnify the Lord :
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded : the lowliness of his handmaiden.
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.

Luke 1.46-55

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.

Music: The Evening Service in D by Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Please be seated.

The Second Reading

John 15.1-8

Read by the Revd Canon Kate Moore

Jesus said: 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

Please stand as the choir sings:

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.

Luke 2.29-32

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.

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Please remain standing for the Creed.

The Apostles' Creed

All **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 catholic Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

The Lesser Litany and Responses

The Precentor and the choir sing:

Choir The Lord be with you,
 and with thy spirit.

 Let us pray.

Please sit or kneel.

Choir Lord, have mercy upon us.
 Christ, have mercy upon us.
 Lord, have mercy upon us.

Choir 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.

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
Choir And grant us thy salvation.
O Lord, save the King.
Choir And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
Endue thy ministers with righteousness.
Choir And make thy chosen people joyful.
O Lord, save thy people.
Choir And bless thine inheritance.
Give peace in our time, O Lord.
Choir Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.
O God, make clean our hearts within us.
Choir And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Collects

Almighty God,
who shewest to them that be in error the light of thy truth,
to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness;
Grant unto all them that are admitted
into the fellowship of Christ's religion,
that they may eschew those things
that are contrary to their profession,
and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same;
through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Choir Amen.

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.

Choir Amen.

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.

Choir Amen.

Please remain seated as the choir sings:

The Anthem

This is the record of John,
when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him,
Who art thou?
And he confessed and denied not;
and said plainly, I am not the Christ.
And they asked him, What art thou then? Art thou Elias?
And he said, I am not.
Art thou the prophet?
And he answered, No.
Then said they unto him,
What art thou? that we may give an answer unto them that sent us.
What sayest thou of thyself?
And he said, I am the voice of him that crieth in the wilderness,
Make straight the way of the Lord!

Words: John 1.19-23

Music: Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

The Prayers of Intercession

Please sit or kneel to pray. The prayers are led by Dr Tim Leeson, and may conclude with the words of the grace:

All **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.**

At the end of the intercessions, please stand to sing.

Hymn

SCHMÜCKE DICH

Melody from J. Crüger's
Geistliche Kirchen-Melodien 1649



**Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness,
leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,
come into the daylight's splendour,
there with joy thy praises render
unto him whose grace unbounded
hath this wondrous banquet founded;
high o'er all the heavens he reigneth,
yet to dwell with thee he deigneth.**

**Now I sink before thee lowly,
filled with joy most deep and holy,
as with trembling awe and wonder
on thy mighty works I ponder;
how, by mystery surrounded,
depths no one hath ever sounded,
none may dare to pierce unbidden
secrets that with thee are hidden.**

**Sun, who all my life dost brighten;
light, who dost my soul enlighten;
joy, the sweetest we e'er knoweth;
fount, whence all my being floweth;
at thy feet I cry, my maker,
let me be a fit partaker
of this blessèd food from heaven,
for our good, thy glory, given.**

**Jesus, bread of of life, I pray thee,
let me gladly here obey thee;
never to my hurt invited,
be thy love with love requited:
from this banquet let me measure,
Lord, how vast and deep its treasure;
through the gifts thou here dost give me,
as thy guest in heaven receive me.**

*Words: Johann Frank (1618-1677)
translated from German by Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)*

The Sermon

The Very Revd Peter Judd, *former Provost and Dean of Chelmsford Cathedral*

The Farewell

Ivor stands on the chancel step with the Bishop, and the Interim Dean, who says:

God of our beginnings and endings,
we celebrate all we have shared with Ivor, Ruth, and their family,
and ask your blessing as they continue on their journey.
May the love that is in our hearts
be a bond that unites us forever,
wherever we may be.
May the power of your presence
bless this moment of our leave-taking;
this we ask for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer.

All **Amen.**

Ivor, as you journey onward,
we ask forgiveness where we have failed you;
we give thanks for all you have given us;
we assure you of our love and prayers.

Ivor As I leave,
I ask forgiveness where I have failed you;
I give thanks for all that you have given to me;
I assure you of my love and prayers.

As you meet the poor, the pained,
and the stranger on the Way,
we pray that you may see in each one
the face of Christ.

Ivor I know that God goes with me.

As you walk through the good times and the bad,
we pray that you may never lose sight
of the shelter of God's loving arms.

Ivor I know that God goes with me.

As you ponder your decisions
and wonder over the fruits of your choice,
we pray that the peace of Christ
may reign in your heart.

Ivor I know that God goes with me.

We praise and thank you, God of the journey,
for Ivor as he leaves us.
We entrust him into your loving care,
knowing that you are always the faithful traveller
and companion on the Way.
Shelter and protect him from all harm and anxiety.
Grant him the courage to meet the future,
and grace to let go into new life;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

All **Amen.**

As a symbol of his retirement, Ivor hands his cathedral cope to the Interim Dean who places it on the altar.

The Bishop and the Interim Dean, give their thanks on behalf of the Diocese, Cathedral and congregation.

Please stand for the final hymn during which a collection will be taken.

Hymn

BATTLE HYMN

William Steffe

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of six staves of music. The first staff begins with a repeat sign. The fourth staff is labeled "Refrain". The sixth staff has two sections: "To verses" and "Last time", both ending with repeat signs.

**Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;
he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
he has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword:
his truth is marching on.**

***Glory, glory, hallelujah,
glory, glory, hallelujah,
glory, glory, hallelujah,
his truth is marching on.***

**I have seen Him in the watch-fires of a hundred circling camps,
They have builded Him an altar in the evening dews and damps;
I can read His righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps:
His day is marching on. *Glory, glory...***

**He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;
he is sifting out the hearts of all before his judgment seat:
O be swift, my soul, to answer him; be jubilant, my feet!
Our God is marching on. *Glory, glory...***

**In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,
with a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me;
as he died to make us holy, let us die to make all free,
while God is marching on. *Glory, glory...***

**He is coming like the glory of the morning on the wave;
he is wisdom to the mighty; he is succour to the brave:
so the world shall be his foot-stool, and the soul of time his slave:
our God is marching on. *Glory, glory...***

Please remain standing as the Bishop of Chelmsford prays the blessing:

The Blessing

Bishop 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 upon you this day and always.

All **Amen.**

The clergy and congregation sit for the organ voluntary.

Organ Voluntary

Praeludium in g minor BuxWV 149

Dieterich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

Conclusion

Please stand as the closing responses are sung.

Choir The Lord be with you,
and with thy spirit.

Choir Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Music: Edward Naylor (1867-1934)

Please remain standing as the procession departs.

The Liberty Bell March

John Philip Sousa (1854-1932)

You are all invited to stay for refreshments and presentations.

"How lucky I am to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard..."

AA Milne

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