



THE CATHEDRAL AND METROPOLITICAL CHURCH OF CHRIST, CANTERBURY

# Sung Eucharist



Second Sunday of Epiphany

In the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2025

11.00am

Quire

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Canterbury Cathedral, c.1178



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# The Gathering

*A welcome is offered*

*Stand to sing*



Songs of thankfulness and praise,  
Jesu, Lord, to thee we raise,  
manifested by the star  
to the sages from afar;  
branch of royal David's stem  
in thy birth at Bethlehem:  
anthems be to thee address,  
God as man made manifest.

<sup>3</sup>Manifest in making whole  
palsied limbs and fainting soul;  
manifest in valiant fight,  
quelling all the devil's might;  
manifest in gracious will,  
ever bringing good from ill.  
Anthems be to thee address,  
God as man made manifest.

<sup>2</sup>Manifest at Jordan's stream,  
Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;  
and at Cana wedding-guest  
in thy Godhead manifest;  
manifest in power divine,  
changing water into wine:  
anthems be to thee address,  
God as man made manifest.

<sup>4</sup>Sun and moon shall darkened be,  
stars shall fall, the heavens shall flee;  
Christ will then like lightning shine,  
all will see his glorious sign;  
all will then the trumpet hear,  
all will see the Judge appear:  
thou by all wilt be confest,  
God as man made manifest.

<sup>5</sup>Grant us grace to see thee, Lord,  
mirrored in thy holy word;  
may we imitate thee now,  
and be pure, as pure art thou;  
that we like to thee may be  
at thy great Epiphany;  
and may praise thee, ever blest,  
God as man made manifest.

*Words:* Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885)

*Tune:* ST EDMUND

AM 104

*The President says*

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

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

**Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The President introduces*

## **Prayers of Penitence**

In the presence of the God and Father of us all,  
we meet together to give thanks for the spiritual unity  
which is already ours as members of the Body of Christ.  
Let us acknowledge our sin,  
that this unity may, by God's grace, become a visible unity,  
so that his Church in every place may demonstrate  
the healing power of the gospel,  
and be an instrument of his peace  
in the life of the world.

*Remain standing*

Lord Jesus, you came to reconcile us  
to one another and to the Father:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you heal the wounds of sin and division:  
Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you intercede for us with your Father:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

*The President says*

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.  
**Amen.**

*Remain standing as the choir sings*

## **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**

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept*

Heavenly Father,  
you have called us in the Body of your Son Jesus Christ  
to continue his work of reconciliation  
and reveal you to the world.

Forgive us the sins which tear us apart;  
give us the courage to overcome our fears  
and to seek that unity which is your gift and your will;  
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.

**Amen.**

*Sit*

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

### **New Testament Reading**

*1 Corinthians 12.1-11*

Concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the

same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Remain seated as the choir sings Psalm 36.5-10*

Thy mercy, O Lord, reacheth unto the heavens :  
and thy faithfulness unto the clouds.

Thy righteousness standeth like the strong mountains :  
thy judgements are like the great deep.

Thou, Lord, shalt save both man and beast;  
How excellent is thy mercy, O God :  
and the children of men shall put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.

They shall be satisfied with the plenteousness of thy house :  
and thou shalt give them drink of thy pleasures, as out of the river.

For with thee is the well of life :  
and in thy light shall we see light.

O continue forth thy loving-kindness unto them that know thee :  
and thy righteousness unto them that are true of heart.

*Stand as the cantor sings the Alleluia and we respond*



Alleluia, alleluia.

'May all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you,  
may they also be in us,  
so that the world may believe that you have sent me,' says the Lord.

**Alleluia.**

## **The Gospel**      *John 2.1-11*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

There was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The organist plays a Gospel fanfare*

*Once the Sermon has been introduced please sit*

**Sermon**      Father Giovanni Prandini, Assistant Priest,  
St Thomas's Roman Catholic Church, Canterbury

*After the Sermon, a few moments of silence are kept as we reflect on what we have heard and then the choir sings*

## **The Motet**

O salutaris hostia  
quae caeli pandis ostium,  
bella premunt hostilia:  
da robur, fer auxilium.

Uni trinoque Domino,  
sit sempiterna gloria,  
qui vitam sine termino  
nobis donet in patria.

*Words:* Thomas Aquinas (1225-74)

*O saving victim  
who opens the gate of heaven,  
hostile wars press on us:  
give strength, bring aid.*

*To the Lord, three in one,  
be everlasting glory,  
for life without end  
he gives us in his Kingdom.*

*Music:* Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

*Following the Motet please stand to say*

## **The Affirmation of Faith**      *from the Athanasian Creed*

We proclaim the Church's faith in Jesus Christ.

**We believe and declare that our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Son of God, is both divine and human.**

God, of the being of the Father,  
the only Son from before time began;  
human from the being of his mother, born in the world;  
**fully God and fully human;**

**human in both mind and body.**

As God he is equal to the Father,  
as human he is less than the Father.

**Although he is both divine and human  
he is not two beings but one Christ.**

One, not by turning God into flesh,  
but by taking humanity into God;

**truly one, not by mixing humanity with Godhead,  
but by being one person.**

For as mind and body form one human being  
so the one Christ is both divine and human.

**The Word became flesh and lived among us;  
we have seen his glory,  
the glory of the only Son from the Father,  
full of grace and truth.**

*Please sit or kneel when the President says 'Let us pray'*

## **Prayers of Intercession**

*One of these responses is used*

Lord, in your mercy  
**hear our prayer.**

Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

*And at the end*

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



# The Liturgy of the Sacrament

## The Peace

*Stand*

*The President says*

If our life in Christ means anything,  
if love can persuade at all,  
or the Spirit that we have in common,  
or any tenderness and sympathy,  
then be united in your conviction  
and united in your love,  
with a common purpose and a common mind.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*Members of the congregation greet one another*

*Remain standing to sing*

**The Offertory Hymn** *during which the table is prepared and the gifts of the people are gathered and presented. If you would prefer to give electronically, please use the QR code.*



*When the thurifer turns to bow to the congregation, all turn to the altar*



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.

<sup>3</sup>Sun, who all my life dost brighten,  
light, who dost my soul enlighten,  
joy, the sweetest heart e'er knoweth,  
fount, whence all my being floweth,  
at thy feet I cry, my Maker,  
let me be a fit partaker  
of this blessed food from heaven,  
for our good, thy glory, given.

<sup>2</sup>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 mortal ever sounded,  
none may dare to pierce unbidden  
secrets that with thee are hidden.

<sup>4</sup>Jesus, Bread 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: German, Johann Franck (1618-77)  
Tr Catherine Winkworth (1827-78)

Tune: SCHMÜCKE DICH

AM 440

*The President takes the bread and wine and praises God for his gifts*

As this bread was scattered  
and then gathered and made one;  
so may your Church be gathered into your kingdom.

**Glory to you, O God, for ever.**

Wisdom has built her a house;  
she has mixed her wine; she has set her table.

**Glory to you, O God, for ever.**

## **The Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Father, all-powerful and ever-living God,  
we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

By him, your only Son,  
who restored to us peace through the blood of his cross,  
you willed to reconcile all creatures.  
In him you have led us to the knowledge of your truth,  
that bound together by one faith and one baptism  
we might become his body.

Through him you have given your Holy Spirit to all peoples  
to work marvels by innumerable gifts  
and an abundant variety of graces.  
Gathering us together in unity,  
your Spirit dwells in the hearts of all your children,  
filling the whole Church with his presence  
and guiding it with wisdom from above.

And so, with steadfast love, we proclaim your glory  
and join with hosts of angels in their triumphant hymn of praise:

*The choir sings*

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.

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,  
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
and as we follow his example and obey his command,  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us his body and his blood;

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.

Therefore, heavenly Father,  
we remember his offering of himself  
made once for all upon the cross;  
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;  
we look for the coming of your kingdom,  
and with this bread and this cup  
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,  
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,  
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts  
in the presence of your divine majesty,  
renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love  
and unite us in the body of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever.**

**Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*The President says*

As we join our prayers with the Church Universal, so we say,  
each in our own language, the prayer that Jesus taught us.

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.  
Amen.**

*Notre Père...*

*Vater Unser...*

*Onze Vader...*

*Padre Nuestro...*

*Ojcie Nasz...*

*Baba Yetu...*

*E to matou Matua...*

*Ein Tad...*

*Remain standing for*

## **Breaking of the Bread**

*The President breaks the consecrated bread, saying*

We break the bread of life,  
and that life is the light of the world.

**God here among us,  
light in the midst of us,  
bring us to light and life.**

*The President says*

God's holy gifts  
for God's holy people.

**Jesus Christ is holy,  
Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.**

*Sit as the President and other ministers begin*

## **The Distribution of Communion**

*Please come up for Communion as directed by the stewards. All who are regular communicants in their own tradition are welcome to receive the sacrament. If you are not a communicant, you are welcome to come forward at this point in the service to receive a blessing, keeping your hands to your sides. Please ask the priest if you **need a gluten-free host**.*

*We request that **you do not intinct (dip) your host in the wine** but either take a sip from the cup or remain with your head bowed. This is for the reasons of good hygiene.*

*If you wish to receive communion without climbing the steps to the High Altar, please join the line for the station in the North-East Transept.*

*We keep a **prayerful silence** during Communion to allow others to prepare to receive the sacrament or pray afterwards.*

*During Communion, the choir sings the 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, grant us thy peace.

## Prayer after Communion

*Stand as the President says*

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept*

Eternal God and Father,  
whose Son at supper prayed that his disciples might be one,  
as he is one with you:  
draw us closer to him,  
that in common love and obedience to you  
we may be united to one another  
in the fellowship of the one Spirit,  
that the world may believe that he is Lord, to your eternal glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

*All then say*

**Father of all,  
we give you thanks and praise,  
that when we were still far off  
you met us in your Son and brought us home.  
Dying and living, he declared your love,  
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.  
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;  
we who drink his cup bring life to others;  
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.  
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,  
so we and all your children shall be free,  
and the whole earth live to praise your name;  
through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

## The Dismissal



Forth in the peace of Christ we go;  
Christ to the world with joy we bring;  
Christ in our minds, Christ on our lips,  
Christ in our hearts, the world's true king.

<sup>2</sup>King of our hearts, Christ reigns in us;  
kingship with him his servants gain;  
with Christ, the Servant-Lord of all,  
Christ's world we serve to share Christ's reign.

<sup>3</sup>Priests of the world, Christ sends us forth  
this world of time to consecrate,  
our world of sin by grace to heal,  
Christ's world in Christ to re-create.

<sup>4</sup>Prophets of Christ, we hear his word:  
he claims our minds, to search his ways;  
he claims our lips, to speak his truth;  
he claims our hearts, to sing his praise.

<sup>5</sup>We are his Church, he makes us one:  
here is one hearth for all to find;  
here is one flock, one Shepherd-King;  
here is one faith, one heart, one mind.

*Words:* James Quinn, SJ (1919-2010)

*Tune:* DUKE STREET

AM 475

### *Remain standing*

The Lord Jesus Christ,  
Son of the living God,  
teach you to walk in his way more trustfully,  
to accept his truth more faithfully,  
and to share his life more lovingly;  
that by the power of the Holy Spirit  
you may come as one family to the kingdom of the Father.  
And the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

There is one body and one spirit.

**There is one hope to which we were called;**  
one Lord, one faith, one baptism,  
**one God and Father of all.**

One in heart and one in mind,  
and empowered by the Spirit,  
go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*All remain standing as the choir and clergy depart*

## **Organ Voluntary**

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