



**BLACKBURN
CATHEDRAL**

The Cathedral
Eucharist
on
Pentecost

Sunday, 19 May, 2024

10.30am

Welcome to this morning's service

The President is
The Very Revd Peter Howell-Jones
The Dean

The Preacher is
Canon James Lawrence
Missioner

The Deacon is
Canon Jenny Gaffin
Precentor

The Subdeacon is
Ayodele Adebayo

The service is sung by the
Cathedral Choir
Directed by
John Robinson
Organist and Director of Music

The setting for the service is
Missa Brevis - Ives

Children and young people are welcome at all our services, but if you feel your child needs a more informal space, the Temple Gallery and the Cloister Garth are available as 'breakout' areas.

Please note that they are unattended, and so you will need to stay with your child at all times. The wardens and stewards can give directions.

The service is live streamed.

*Before the service, the congregation is
welcomed by Canon Jenny Gaffin*

The Gathering

Please remain seated as the choir and ministers move to the west end of the Cathedral before the notices. Please stand to sing

Processional

Down Ampney 137



Come down, O love divine,
seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing;
O comforter, draw near,
within my heart appear,
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,
till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
and let thy glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity
mine outward vesture be,
and lowliness become mine inner clothing:
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part,
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace,
till we become the place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

Italian Bianco Da Siena (d. 1434) tr. R.F. Littledale (1833-90)

The Greeting

The president greets the people

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

Alleluia. Christ is risen.
He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The president introduces the celebration

The Prayer of Preparation

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 Prayers of Penitence

The deacon says

Brothers and sisters,
as we prepare to celebrate,
let us call to mind our sins.

**Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy
forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly,
love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.**

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.

The Gloria

Gloria in excelsis Deo
et in terra pax
hominibus bonae voluntatis.
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,
adoramus te, glorificamus te.
Gratias agimus tibi
propter magnam gloriam tuam.
Domine Deus, Rex caelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.
Domine Fili unigenite,
Jesu Christe.
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,
Filius Patris,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.
Quoniam tu solus sanctus,
tu solus Dominus,
tu solus Altissimus,
Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu,
in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

*Glory to God in the highest
and peace on earth
to those of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we worship you, we glorify you.
We give thanks to you
for your great glory.
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father Almighty,
O Lord the only-begotten Son,
Jesus Christ.
O Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
you that take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
You that take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
You who are seated at the right hand of
the Father, have mercy upon us.
For you alone are holy,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

The Collect

Let us pray.

Silence is kept – please remain standing

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,
ignite in us your holy fire;
strengthen your children with the gift of faith,
revive your Church with the breath of love,
and renew the face of the earth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please sit

The Liturgy of the Word

New Testament Reading

Read by Jean Duerden

(Acts 2.1-21)

A reading from *the Acts of the Apostles*.

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand to sing

Gradual Hymn

Carlisle 178



Breathe on me, breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, breath of God,
till I am wholly thine;
until this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, breath of God:
so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life
of thine eternity.

Edwin Hatch (1835-89)

The Gospel

The deacon says

(John 15.26-27; 16.4b-15)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John
Glory be to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the eleven, ‘When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them. ‘I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, “Where are you going?” But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. ‘I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Canon James Lawrence

There is a period of silence after the sermon for reflection

Affirmation of Faith

Please stand with the president

**Christ died for our sins
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he was buried;
he was raised to life on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures;
afterwards he appeared to his followers,
and to all the apostles:
this we have received,
and this we believe. Amen.**

Please sit

The Prayers of Intercession

Led by Diane Warner

This response is used

Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Those who are ill at home or in hospital,

Stephen Birch, Arthur Blundell, Chris Drewe, Lilah Jane, Lynn Martin, Margaret Ingham, Margaret Young, Oliver Colville, Sue Penfold, Jenny Bellamy, Irfan Masih, Tom and Bella Sorlie-Gostelow,

*and those who mourn, remembering those who have died recently,
and those whose anniversaries are at this time,*

Robert Bruce (19), Marion Elizabeth Woolley, Elizabeth Wilkinson, Shawn Haggart (20), Vera Lock (22), Harry Neumark (23), William G McGowan(Priest), Ernest Greenhalgh (24)

[numbers are days of the month]

And at the end

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

Please stand with the president for the peace

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The president says

God has made us one in Christ.
He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come,
has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia.

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

The deacon says

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

When offering a greeting, please respect those who may wish to keep their distance and who may not wish to pass the peace physically.

Please give what you prayerfully can. You may prefer to use the collection point or card reader on the way out. If you are a UK tax payer please use and sign the blue gift aid form provided on your chair. Alternatively, The Parish Giving Scheme is the easy way to give regularly to support the ongoing ministry of Blackburn Cathedral and you can find out more and sign up by using the QR code provided here. Blackburn Cathedral's Parish Giving Scheme Code is: 030603001



Preparation of the Table

The deacon prepares the table

Please remain standing to sing the hymn during which there will be a collection

Offertory hymn

Diademata 352



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.

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 miracles 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! *Michael Forster (b. 1946)*

Taking of the Bread and Wine

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

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.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and everlasting God,
through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord.
This day we give you thanks because in fulfilment of your promise,
you pour out your Spirit upon us,
filling us with our gifts, leading us into all truth,
and uniting peoples of many tongues
in the confession of one faith.
Your Spirit gives us grace to call you Father,
to proclaim your gospel to all nations
and to serve you as a royal priesthood.
Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels,
and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells,
to proclaim the glory of your name,
for ever praising you and singing:

The choir sings

Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth
Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venit in nomine
Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

*Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name
of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and,
taking bread, he praised you.
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:
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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

The deacon says

Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.
Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with Mary, Paul and all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.
Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Rejoicing in God's new creation, as we join our prayers with those of the Church Universal, so we pray, each in our own language, as our Saviour taught us,

**Notre père, qui es aux cieux ... Missierna, li inti fis-smewwiet...
Vater unser im Himmel ... Padre nosso, que estais nos céus...
Padre nostro che sei nei cieli ... Ojczy nasz, któryś jest w niebie...
Otče náš, jenž jsi na nebesích ... ي السَّمَاوَاتِ،
Têve Mûsû, kuris esi danguje! ... Ein Tad, yr hwn wyt yn y nefoedd...
Tatal nostru care esti in ceruri ...**

**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 Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread, saying

Jesus says, I am the bread of life,
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

**Lord, our hearts hunger for you;
give us this bread always.**

If you are able, please remain standing while the choir sings

Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

*Lamb of God you take away the sins of
the world, have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

*Lamb of God you take away the sins of
the world, have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona nobis pacem.

*Lamb of God you take away the sins of
the world, grant us peace.*

The Giving of Communion

The president says

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Communion is available in both kinds, and the minister distributing bread will say

The body of Christ.

Amen.

*After receiving the bread, if you wish to receive wine please move to the station near
the central aisle, and return to your place by the central aisle of the Nave.*

The minister distributing wine will say

The blood of Christ.

Amen.

*If you do not wish to receive communion wine, please walk past that second distribution
point, and return to your place by the central aisle of the Nave.*

While you are waiting to go for communion you may wish to sit down.

During communion

The choir sings

Listen sweet dove unto my song,
and spread thy golden wings in me;
hatching my tender heart so long,

till it get wing and flie away with thee.

Such glorious gifts thou didst bestow
the earth did like a heav'n appeare,
the starres were coming down to
know
if they might mend their wages and
serve here.

The sunne which once did shine alone,

hung down his head and wisht for
night,
when he beheld twelve sunnes for one
going about the world and giving light.
Whitsunday by George Herbert (1593-1633)

Lord though we change thou art the
same,
the same sweet God of love and
light:
restore this day for thy great name,
unto his ancient and miraculous light
Music by Grayston Ives (b. 1948)

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept

**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 stand to sing

Final Hymn

Regent Square 265



Praise the Spirit in creation,
breath of God, life's origin:
Spirit moving on the waters,
quickenning worlds to life within,
source of breath to all things breathing,
life in whom all lives begin.

Praise the Spirit, who enlightened
priest and prophets with the word;
his the truth behind the wisdoms
which as yet know not our Lord;
by whose love and power, in Jesus
God himself was seen and heard.

Pray we then, O Lord the Spirit,
praise the Father, praise the Word,
Source, and Truth, and Inspiration,
Trinity in deep accord;
through your voice which speaks within us
we, your creatures call you Lord.

Michael E. Hewlett (1916-2000)

The president pronounces God's blessing

God the Holy Spirit,
who filled the disciples with the life of the risen Lord,
empower you and fill you with Christ's peace;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The deacon says

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Organ Voluntary

Voluntary on "Veni Creator"

Thomas Coldrick (b. 2007)

This organ work receives its premiere today and is the winning entry in the Junior category of Blackburn Cathedral's second organ composition competition.

Please do consider staying for tea or coffee after the service. The president and ministers will leave in procession and go outside at first.

Please take your service paper home with you

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Notices for the Week beginning Sunday, 19 May, 2024

The liturgy today is slightly amended to accommodate the Civic Service that follows.

Choral Evensong Today

4.00pm

Choral Evensong with Organ Celebration for Pentecost

Howells – St John's Service

Responses – Radcliffe

Listen sweet dove – Webb

Psalm 139.1-11

Flowers today are given by Jean and Jeremy Duerden in loving memory of Jeremy's son Iain and his father Terence.

Immediately following today's Choral Evensong, our Organist in Residence will play a short programme of music for Pentecost. The programme will include the first performances of the two running up entries of the Cathedral's second composition competition, kindly sponsored by the Friends of Blackburn Cathedral.

Next Sunday – Trinity Sunday

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 6.1-8

Psalm 29

New Testament reading: Romans 8.12-17

Gospel Reading: John 3.1-17

Wednesday Concert, 12.15 – Lyndon Hills. Free entry.

Visiting Choir Evensong – Saturday 25th May, 4pm: St George's School, Windsor

D Day 80th Anniversary Commemoration – Sunday 9th June, 4pm

Blackburn Foodbank in May

We are collecting biscuits. If you can afford to give, please add it to your weekly or monthly shopping list and donate.

Man Alive – Thursday 6th June, 7.30-9.30pm – an event designed to help men explore faith and how it relates to daily life. Entrance free.

Holy dusters and gardeners

Many thanks to those who helped at the last gathering. Future dates are: 22nd June, 20th July. All welcome for this sociable occasion. Tasks include dusting and hoovering inside the church, and weeding the garden.

Volunteer Livestream Operators

Are you confident at using IT and able to help us with the Livestream on a Sunday morning? All training will be given. You would need to be available from 9.30 to 12noon on Sundays. Once you are fully trained you would be on a rota approximately once a month. For more information please speak to a member of staff.