

The Parish
Eucharist
on
Christ the King

Sunday, 26 November, 2023

9.00am

Welcome to this morning's service

The President and Preacher is
The Dean
The Very Reverend Peter Howell-Jones

The service is sung by the
The Cathedral Youth Choir
Directed by
Helen Davies
Organ
Nigel Spooner

The setting for the service is
A Blackburn Mass by James Davy

Preparation

Old Testament Reading

(Ezekiel 34.11-16, 20-24)

For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

The Gathering

Please stand to sing

Processional

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At the name of Jesus
every knee shall bow,
every tongue confess him
king of glory now;
'tis the Father's pleasure
we should call him Lord,
who from the beginning
was the mighty word.

At his voice creation
sprang at once to sight,
all the angels' faces,
all the hosts of light,
thrones and dominations,
stars upon their way,
all the heavenly orders
in their great array.

Caroline Noel (1817-77)

In your hearts enthrone him;
there let him subdue
all that is not holy,
all that is not true:
crown him as your captain
in temptation's hour;
let his will enfold you
in its light and power.

Truly, this Lord Jesus
shall return again,
with his Father's glory,
with his angel train;
for all wreaths of empire
meet upon his brow,
and our hearts confess him
King of Glory now.

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.

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

God so loved the world
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins,
to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments
and to live in love and peace with all.

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

The choir sings the refrain first which is then repeated at once by everyone
and sung again after each section as indicated.



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, ——— and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father.
We worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
For you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God
in the glory of God the Father.

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth. Amen.**

Let us pray.

Silence is kept – please remain standing

Destitute king,
one with the hungry,
the naked and the scorned:
may our faith be proved
not in dogma and piety
but in serving you
in the last and the least;
through Jesus Christ, the stranger's Lord.
Amen.

Please sit down.

The Liturgy of the Word

New Testament Reading

Read by Linda Cronshaw

(Ephesians 1.15-23)

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Please stand to sing

Gradual Hymn

GOPSA 443



Rejoice! The Lord is King!
Your Lord and King adore;
mortals, give thanks and sing;
and triumph evermore:
lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.

Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,
the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains,
he took his seat above:
lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.

His kingdom cannot fail;
he rules o'er earth and heaven;
the keys of death and hell
are to our Jesus given:
lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.

He sits at God's right hand
till all his foes submit,
and bow to his command,
and fall beneath his feet:
lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.

Charles Wesley (1707-88)

The Gospel

(Matthew 25.31-46)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples ‘When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, “Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.” Then the righteous will answer him, “Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?” And the king will answer them, “Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.” Then he will say to those at his left hand, “You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.” Then they also will answer, “Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?” Then he will answer them, “Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.” And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.’

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

Sermon

The Very Reverend Peter Howell-Jones

There is a period of silence after the sermon for reflection.

Please stand with the president for

Affirmation of Faith

Let us declare our faith in God

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and earth is named**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit
who strengthens us
with the power from on high.
We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

The president invites the congregation to kneel or sit down.

The Prayers of Intercession

Led by John Wilson

This response is used

Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Arthur Blundell, Brian McConkey, Chris Drewe, Jeanette, Lilah Jane (new born), Lisa,
Margaret Ingham, Margaret Young, Oliver Colville and Sue Penfold;
*and those who mourn, remembering those who have died recently,
and those whose anniversaries are at this time,*

Mary Chambers (26), May Abbott, Ada Fielding, Philip Roberts (27),
Dorothy Anderson (28), Lesley Ranson, Isobel Galilee, Norman Wicks (30),
[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 introduces the Peace and then says

To crown all things there must be love,
To bind all together and complete the whole.
Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

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

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 in the collection basket. You may prefer to use the collection point on the way out or use the Parish Giving scheme which you can access using the QR code provided here. You can make a one-off payment either by name or anonymously and there is an option to Gift Aid your donation.



Preparation of the Table

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

Offertory Hymn

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I cannot tell why he, whom angels worship,
should set his love upon the human race,
or why, as Shepherd, he should seek the wanderers,
to bring them back within the fold of grace.
But this I know, that he was born of Mary,
when Bethlehem's manger was his only home,
and that he lived at Nazareth and laboured,
and so the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is come.

I cannot tell how he will win the nations,
how he will claim his earthly heritage,
how satisfy the needs and aspirations
of East and West, of sinner and of sage.
But this I know, all flesh shall see his glory,
and he shall reap the harvest he has sown,
and some glad day, his sun shall shine in splendour
when he the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is known.

I cannot tell how all the lands shall worship
when, at his bidding, every storm is stilled,
or who can say how great the jubilation
when all the hearts on earth with love are filled.
But this I know, the skies will thrill with rapture,
and myriad, myriad human voices sing,
and earth to heaven, and heaven to earth will answer:
at last the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is King!

William Young Fullerton (1857-1932)

Taking of the Bread and Wine

To you we come, Father of lights,
with angels and saints, where heaven and earth unite.
May Jesus meet us in the breaking of the bread.

Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.
His Spirit is with us.

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.

Blessed are you, Lord God,
our light and our salvation;
to you be glory and praise for ever.

From the beginning you have created all things
and all your works echo the silent music of your praise.
In the fullness of time you made us in your image,
the crown of all creation.

You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels
and all the powers of heaven
we may find a voice to sing your praise:

Everyone sings

2
Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are
8
full of your glo - ry, Ho - san-na in the high - est *mf* Bles-sed is he that
12
comes in the name_ of the Lord *f* Ho-san-na in the high - est.

How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord.
As a mother tenderly gathers her children,
you embraced a people as your own.
When they turned away and rebelled
your love remained steadfast.

From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary,
to be the living bread,
in whom all our hungers are satisfied.

He offered his life for sinners,
and with a love stronger than death
he opened wide his arms on the cross.

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

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, 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.

Jesus Christ is Lord
**Lord, by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.**

Father, we plead with confidence
his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross;
we remember his dying and rising in glory,
and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you
these gifts of your creation;
may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence,
form us in the likeness of Christ,
and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Bring us at the last with Mary, Paul and all the saints
to the vision of that eternal splendour
for which you have created us;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
by whom, with whom, and in whom,
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

Joining our prayers with those of the Church Universal, so we
say, each in our own language, the prayer 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 Mūsū, 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:

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Everyone sings

Andante con moto *mf*

2

8 *mp*

14 *mf*

19 *dim.* 3

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world have
mer - cy up - on us. Lamb of God you take a - way the sin of the
world have mer - cy up - on us. Lamb of God you
take a - way the sin of the world grant us peace.

The Giving of Communion

The president says

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you.

Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*When you are ready to receive communion please approach the president in single file
and return to your seat by one of the side aisles.*

Please do come and ask this first minister for any blessings.

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 next minister
before returning to your place.*

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 minister and return to your place.

During communion

The choir sings

Alleluia!

Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne;
hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own:
awake my soul and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King
through all eternity.

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
rich wounds yet visible above
in beauty glorified:
no angel in the sky
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends his burning eye
at mysteries so bright.

Alleluia.

Alleluia!

Crown him the Lord of life
who triumphed o'er the grave,
And rose victorious in the strife
for those he came to save;
his glories now we sing
who died, and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring
and lives that death may die.

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Crown him the Lord of heaven,
One with the Father known;
One with the Spirit through him giv'n
from yonder glorious throne.
To thee be endless praise,
for thou for us has died;
be thou, O Lord, through endless days
adored and Magnified!

Alleluia

Matthew Bridges (1800-94) and Godfrey Thring (1823-1903)

*Music Diademata by George J. Elevey (1816-1893) quoting Hymn to Joy (L. V Beethoven)
arr. Dan Forrest.*

Silence is kept.

Prayer after Communion

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,
may by you be plenteously rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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.

The Dismissal

The president pronounces God's blessing.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

The Organ Voluntary

Marche Triomphale

Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens (1823-81)

Please do consider staying for tea or coffee after the service.

The president will leave immediately and may go outside at first.

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Notices for the Week beginning Sunday, 26 November, 2023

Flowers today are given by Eileen Ranson in loving memory of her father Leslie.

Choral Evensong Today

4.00pm

Sumision in A
Hallelujah! - Handel

Responses *Radcliffe*
Psalm 93

Next Sunday

Old Testament reading

Psalm

New Testament reading

Gospel Reading

The First Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 64.1-9

80.1-7,17-19

I Corinthians 1.3-9

Mark 13.24-37

Blackburn Foodbank in December

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

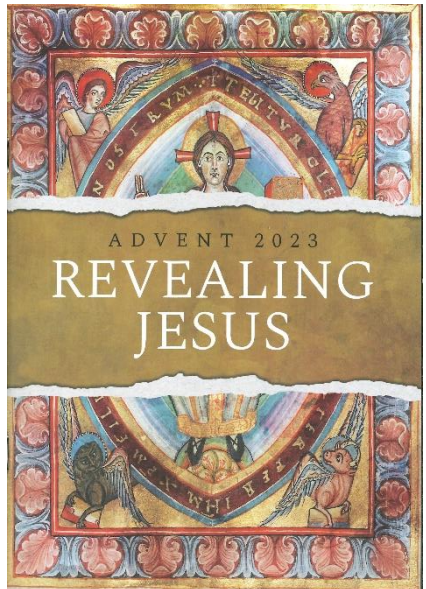
Diocese of Blackburn Advent

This year's devotional booklet *Revealing Jesus* is now available at the back of the Cathedral. Please take a copy for yourself and anyone you know who cannot get to Church. There are twenty five pages of readings, one for each day of Advent and Christmas Day.

Advent Carol Service

4.00pm in the Cathedral The First Sunday of Advent Sunday, 3 December 2023.

A service of readings and carols by candlelight, this years theme is The Forerunner and includes readings from Moses and the Burning Bush to the Birth of John the Baptist foretold,



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Monday 27 Nov

8.30am Morning Prayer
5.00pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday 28 Nov

8.30am Morning Prayer with Eucharist
5.00pm **Choral Evensong**
Introit: *When I needed a neighbour arr. Robinson*
Song of Mary - Shephard; Faithful vigil ended Responses Dore
Lord of the Dance - Owens Psalm 89.19-end

Wednesday 29 Nov

*Day of Intercession and Thanksgiving
for the Missionary Work of the Church*

8.30am Morning Prayer
11.30am Eucharist (BCP)
5.00pm **Choral Evensong**
Long in F Responses Clucas
Virga Jesse - Bruckner Psalm 91, 93

Thursday 30 Nov

Andrew the Apostle

8.30am Morning Prayer with Eucharist
5.00pm **Choral Evensong**
Gibbons Short Service Responses Plainsong
Bind us together arr. Robinson Psalm 94

Friday 1 Dec

Charles de Foucauld, Hermit in the Sahara, 1916

8.30am Morning Prayer
12.30pm Eucharist
5.00pm Evening Prayer

Saturday 2 Dec

9.00am Morning Prayer with Eucharist
4.00pm Evening Prayer

Sunday 3 Dec

The First Sunday of Advent

9.00am **The Parish Eucharist**
St Anne's Mass - Macmillan
The Advent Candle - Chilcott
10.30am **The Cathedral Eucharist**
Missa Brevis - Palestrina
Laetentur Coeli - Byrd Psalm 80.1-7,17-19
4.00pm **Advent Carol Service**

Monday 4 Dec	<i>John of Damascus, Monk, Teacher of the Faith, c.749</i> <i>Nicholas Ferrar, Deacon, Founder of the Little Gidding Community, 1637</i>	
8.30am	Morning Prayer	
5.00pm	Evening Prayer	
Tuesday 5 Dec		
8.30am	Morning Prayer with Eucharist	
5.00pm	Choral Evensong <i>Brewer in D</i> <i>E'en so Lord Jesus, quickly come - Paul Manz</i>	Responses Burk Psalm 107
Wednesday 6 Dec	<i>Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, c.326</i>	
8.30am	Morning Prayer	
11.30am	Eucharist (BCP)	
5.00pm	Choral Evensong <i>Blow Short Service</i> <i>A tender shoot - Goldschmidt</i>	Responses Burk Psalm 119.129-152
Thursday 7 Dec	<i>Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, Teacher of the Faith, 397</i>	
8.30am	Morning Prayer with Eucharist	
5.00pm	Choral Evensong <i>Gibbons Fauxbourdens</i> <i>Little Lamb, who made thee - Roberts</i>	Responses Archer in D Psalm 116
Friday 8 Dec	<i>The Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	
8.30am	Morning Prayer	
12.30pm	Eucharist	
5.00pm	Evening Prayer	
Saturday 9 Dec		
9.00am	Morning Prayer with Eucharist	
4.00pm	Evening Prayer	
Sunday 10 Dec	The Second Sunday of Advent	
9.00am	The Parish Eucharist <i>St Anne's Mass - Macmillan</i> <i>How Beautiful upon the Mountains - Stainer</i>	
10.30am	The Cathedral Eucharist <i>Missa Brevis - Berkeley</i> <i>Virga Jesses - Bruckner</i>	Psalm 85.1-2, 8-13
4.00pm	Choral Evensong <i>Walmisley in D minor</i> <i>O nata lux - Lauridsen</i>	Responses Burk Psalm 40