



**BLACKBURN  
CATHEDRAL**

The Cathedral  
Eucharist  
on  
The Fifth Sunday of Easter

*Sunday, 28 April, 2024*

*10.30am*

*Welcome  
to this morning's  
service*

The President is  
**Canon Jenny Gaffin**  
*Precentor*

The Preacher is  
**Canon James Lawrence**  
*Missioner*

The Deacon is  
**The Very Revd Peter Howell-Jones**  
*The Dean*

The Subdeacon is  
**Diane Warner**

The service is sung by the  
**Cathedral Choir**

Directed by  
**John Robinson**  
*Organist and Director of Music*

The setting for the service is  
**Messe Solennelle - Langlais**

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 The Dean*

# 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

Lux Eoi 103



Alleluia! Alleluia!

Hearts to heaven and voices raise:  
sing to God a hymn of gladness,  
sing to God a hymn of praise:  
he, who on the cross a victim,  
for the world's salvation bled,  
Jesus Christ, the King of glory,  
now is risen from the dead.

Christ is risen, Christ, the first-fruits  
of the holy harvest-field,  
which will all its full abundance  
at his second coming yield:  
then the golden ears of harvest  
will their heads before him wave,  
ripened by his glorious sunshine  
from the furrows of the grave.

Christ is risen, we are risen;  
shed upon us heavenly grace,  
rain and dew and gleams of glory  
from the brightness of thy face:  
and we, with our hearts in heaven,  
here on earth may fruitful be,  
and by angel-hands be gathered,  
and be ever, Lord, with thee.

Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Glory be to God on high;  
Alleluia to the Saviour  
who has won the victory;  
Alleluia to the Spirit,  
fount of love and sanctity;  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
to the Triune Majesty.

*Christopher Wordsworth (1807-85)*

## 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*

Jesus Christ,  
risen Master and triumphant Lord,  
we come to you in sorrow for our sins,  
and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

We have lived by our own strength,  
and not by the power of your resurrection.  
In your mercy, forgive us.

**Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived by the light of our own eyes,  
as faithless and not believing.  
In your mercy, forgive us.

**Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived for this world alone,  
and doubted our home in heaven.  
In your mercy, forgive us.

**Lord, hear us and help us.**

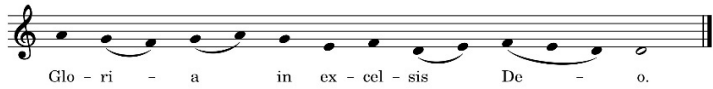
*The president says*

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 president sings*



Et in terra pax  
hominibus bonae voluntatis.  
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,  
adoramus te, glorificamus te.  
Gratias agimus tibi  
propter magnam gloriam tuam.

*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.*

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.

*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.*

Quoniam tu solus sanctus,  
tu solus Dominus,  
tu solus Altissimus,  
Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu,  
in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

*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*

Almighty God,  
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ  
have overcome death  
and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:  
grant that, as by your grace going before us  
you put into our minds good desires,  
so by your continual help  
we may bring them to good effect;  
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please sit*

# The Liturgy of the Word

## Acts Reading

*Read by Joyce Wicks.*

*(Acts 8.26-end)*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: 'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.' The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?' Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?' He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



*The choir sings*

My praise shall be of thee in the great congregation:

I will pay my vows before them that fear him.

The meek shall eat and be satisfied:

they shall praise the LORD that seek him:

your heart shall live for ever.

All the ends of the world shall remember and turn unto the LORD:

and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before thee.

For the kingdom is the LORD's:

and he is the governor among the nations.

All they that be fat upon earth shall eat and worship:

all they that go down to the dust shall bow before him:

and none can keep alive his own soul.

A seed shall serve him;

it shall be accounted to the Lord for a generation.

They shall come, and shall declare his righteousness unto a people

that shall be born, that he hath done this.

## New Testament Reading

*Read by Kirsten Tom.*

*(1 John 4.7-end)*

A reading from the Book of John.

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, 'I love God', and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand to sing*

# Gradual Hymn

Creswell



Love is his word, love is his way,  
feasting with all, fasting alone,  
living and dying, rising again,  
love, only love, is his way.

*Richer than gold is the love of my Lord:  
better than splendour and wealth.*

Love is his way, love is his mark,  
sharing his last Passover feast,  
Christ at his table, host to the  
Twelve, love only love, is his mark.

*Richer than gold....*

Love is his mark, love is his sign,  
bread for our strength, wine  
for our joy,  
'This is my body, this is my blood,'  
love, only love, is his sign.

*Richer than gold...*

Love is his sign, love is his news,  
'Do this' he said, 'lest you forget  
all my deep sorrow, all my dear  
blood,' love, only love, is his news.

*Richer than gold...*

Love is his news, love is his name;  
we are his own, chosen and called,  
family, brethren, cousins and kin.  
Love, only love, is his name.

*Richer than gold...*

Love is his name, love is his law.  
Hear his command, all who are his,  
'Love one another, I have loved you.'  
Love, only love, is his law.

*Richer than gold...*

Love is his law, love is his word:  
love of the Lord, Father and Word,  
love of the Spirit, God ever one,  
love, only love is his word.

*Richer than gold....*

*Luke Connaughton (1917-1979)*

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# The Gospel

*The deacon says*

*(John 15.1-8)*

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

'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.

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*

*Please stand with the president*

**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.**

*Please sit*

## **The Prayers of Intercession**

*Led by Jeremy Duerden*

*This response is used*

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

*Those who are ill at home or in hospital,*

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

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

Eva Wilson Preston (28), Ron Bruce (29), Doris Smith (30), William Arthur Hewitt,  
James Smith (1), Roy Stevens (2), Ruby May Lucas (3), Robert Haworth, Eliza Ann  
Stirrup, William Pinder, Steven Anderson (4).

*[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*

# The Liturgy of the Sacrament

## The Peace

*The president says*

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.'

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.

Alleluia. The peace of the risen Christ 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



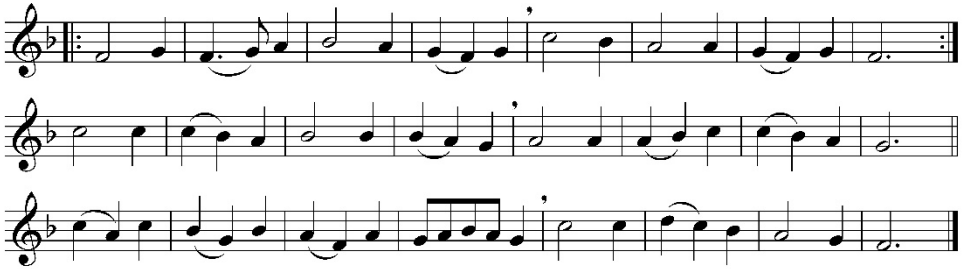
## Preparation of the Table

*The deacon prepares the table*

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

## Offertory hymn

Hyfrydol 271



Alleluia, sing to Jesus,  
his the sceptre, his the throne;  
alleluia, his the triumph,  
his the victory alone:  
hark, the songs of peaceful Sion  
thunder like a mighty flood:  
Jesus out of every nation  
hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia, not as orphans  
are we left in sorrow now;  
alleluia, he is near us,  
faith believes, nor questions how:  
though the cloud from sight received  
him,  
when the forty days were o'er,  
shall our hearts forget his promise,  
"I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia, bread of angels,  
thou on earth our food, our stay;  
alleluia, here the sinful  
flee to thee from day to day:  
intercessor, friend of sinners,  
earth's redeemer, plead for me,  
where the songs of all the sinless  
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia, King eternal,  
thee the Lord of lords we own;  
alleluia, born of Mary,  
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:  
thou within the veil hast entered,  
robed in flesh, our great high priest;  
thou on earth both priest and victim  
in the Eucharistic feast.

*W Chatterton Dix (1837-98)*

## 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

President All

The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.

President All

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

President All

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
almighty and eternal Father,  
and in these days of Easter  
to celebrate with joyful hearts  
the memory of your wonderful works.  
For by the mystery of his passion  
Jesus Christ, your risen Son,  
has conquered the powers of death and hell  
and restored in men and women the image of your glory.  
He has placed them once more in paradise  
and opened to them the gate of life eternal.  
And so, in the joy of this Passover,  
earth and heaven resound with gladness,  
while angels and archangels  
and the powers of all creation  
sing for ever the hymn of your glory:

*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.*

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## **During communion**

*The choir sings*

Bogoroditsye Dyevo, raduysia  
blagodatnaya Mariye,  
hospod s'Toboyu  
Blagoslovenna ti v'zhenah,  
i Blagosloven Plod chreva Tvoyego  
yako Spasa rodila yesi dush nashih.

Rejoice, virgin, God-bearer  
Mary, full of grace,  
the Lord be with you.  
Blessed are you amongst women  
and blessed is the Fruit of your Womb  
for you have borne the Saviour of our  
souls.

*Rachmaninoff Vespers, N° 6, by Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873-1915).*

## **Prayer after Communion**

*Silence is kept*

Eternal God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life:  
grant us to walk in his way,  
to rejoice in his truth,  
and to share his risen life;  
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

**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.**

Please stand

## Final Hymn

Fulda 486



We have a gospel to proclaim,  
good news for all throughout the  
earth;

the gospel of a Saviour's name:  
we sing his glory, tell his worth.

Tell of his birth at Bethlehem  
not in a royal house or hall,  
but in a stable dark and dim,  
the Word made flesh, a light for all.

Tell of his death at Calvary,  
hated by those he came to save,  
in lonely suffering on the Cross;  
for all he loved his life he gave.

Tell of that glorious Easter morn:  
empty the tomb, for he was free.  
He broke the power of death and hell  
that we might share his victory.

Tell of his reign at God's right hand,  
by all creation glorified.

He sends his Spirit on his Church  
to live for him, the Lamb who died.

Now we rejoice to name him King:  
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.

This gospel-message we proclaim:  
we sing his glory, tell his worth.

*Edward J. Burns (b. 1938).*

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## The Dismissal

*The president pronounces God's blessing*

God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ  
has given us the victory,  
give you joy and peace in your faith;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

*The deacon says*

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

## The Organ Voluntary

Hymne d'Action de grâce 'Te Deum'

*Jean Langlais (1907 – 1991)*

*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, 28 April, 2024

Flowers today are given by Marge and Karen Spencer in loving memory of husband and father Jim Spencer.

## Choral Evensong Today

4.00pm

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Noble in B minor

For lo, I raise up - Stanford

Responses - Rose

Psalm 96

## Next Sunday

Acts 10.44-end

Psalm 98

New Testament reading: 1 John 5.1-6

Gospel Reading: John 15.9-17

*This Sunday the Dean is leading a Mission in Blackpool, and the following week he will be preaching in Chorley.*

**Ascension Day** – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May, 7.30pm Cathedral Eucharist.

**Annual Parochial Church Meeting:** The Cathedral APCM will take place on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May at 12.00noon, immediately following the 10.30am Eucharist and refreshments. We need to elect four Cathedral Wardens and Deputy Wardens.

**Electoral Roll Forms:** All those wishing to vote at the AGM on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May need to be on the electoral roll. Forms are available at the back of the Cathedral to complete and post in the box on the Welcome Desk. Completed forms must be returned by Sunday 5 May for approval.

## 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.

## Upcoming Concerts

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May, 11am Organ Recital, Darius Battiwalla – admission £10 on the door. Wednesday concerts continue at 12.15. Admission free.

## Holy dusters (and gardeners!)

Many thanks to those who helped at the last gathering. Future dates are: 18<sup>th</sup> May, 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 20<sup>th</sup> July. All welcome for this sociable occasion.