



RIPON  
CATHEDRAL

**Sung Eucharist**

Advent Sunday

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2020



Diocese of Leeds

## Welcome to the Cathedral

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Built on the firm foundation of that heritage, the Cathedral today continues to proclaim the Christian faith, with daily prayer and active service in Jesus' name.

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## Welcome to this Service

We welcome you to this act of worship. Whatever has brought you here today, we trust that you will find yourself more aware of God through the words, prayers and music.

The season of Advent is a time of expectation: the word itself means 'coming'. It recalls ancient Israel's hope for the advent of the Messiah and it also expresses the Christian hope for the fulfilment of God's Kingdom in the second coming of Christ.

## About This Service

The President is the Very Rev'd John Dobson, Dean of Ripon.

The Preacher is the Rt Rev'd Dr. Jonathon Gibbs Bishop of Huddersfield.

The service is sung by the Lay Clerks and the Mass setting is *Missa Brevis* by Simon Biazeck (b.1966).

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# The Gathering

## The Greeting

President      With love and compassion,  
**All**              **come, Lord Jesus.**

President      With judgement and mercy,  
**All**              **come, Lord Jesus.**

President      In power and glory,  
**All**              **come, Lord Jesus.**

President      In wisdom and truth,  
**All**              **come, Lord Jesus.**

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

## Hymn

*Lo! he comes with clouds descending,  
once for favoured sinners slain;  
thousand thousand saints attending  
swell the triumph of his train:  
Alleluia!  
God appears, on earth to reign.*

*Every eye shall now behold him  
robed in dreadful majesty;  
those who set at nought and sold him,  
pierced and nailed him to the Tree,  
deeply wailing,  
shall the true Messiah see.*

*Yea, Amen! let all adore thee,  
high on thine eternal throne;  
Saviour, take the power and glory,  
claim the kingdom for thine own:  
O come quickly!  
Alleluia! Come, Lord, come!*

NEH 9

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Music: HELMSLEY Melody noted by T. Olivers (1725-1799) included in Wesley's Select Hymns 1765

## Prayer of Preparation

**All**                    **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.**

## Prayer of Penitence at the Advent Wreath

President            When the Lord comes,  
                          he will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness,  
                          and will disclose the purposes of the heart.  
                          Therefore in the light of Christ let us confess our sins.

                          Heavenly Father, you have created a universe of light:  
                          forgive us when we return to darkness.  
                          Lord, have mercy.

**All**                    **Lord, have mercy.**

President            Lord Jesus, you are the light of the world:  
                          cleanse and heal our blinded sight.  
                          Christ, have mercy.

**All**                    **Christ, have mercy.**

President            Holy Spirit, you give us light in our hearts:  
                          renew us in faith and love.  
                          Lord, have mercy.

**All**                    **Lord, have mercy.**

Choir	<i>Kyrie eleison</i>	Lord have mercy
	<i>Christe eleison</i>	Christ have mercy
	<i>Kyrie eleison.</i>	Lord have mercy.

## The Absolution

President            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.

**All**                    **Amen.**

## Lighting of a candle on the Advent Wreath

*The first candle on the Advent Wreath is lit.*

**All**                    **Lord Jesus, light of the world,  
born in David's city of Bethlehem,  
born like him to be a king:  
be born in our hearts at Christmas,  
be King of our lives today. Amen.**

### The Collect

President            Almighty God,  
give us grace to cast away the works of darkness  
and to put on the armour of light,  
now in the time of this mortal life,  
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility;  
that on the last day,  
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty  
to judge the living and the dead,  
we may rise to the life immortal;  
through him who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**All**                    **Amen.**

## The Liturgy of the Word

### First Reading

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

My brothers and sisters: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind – just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you – so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Paul to the Romans.

*(1 Corinthians 1.3-9)*

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

## The Gospel

*An organ fanfare heralds the Gospel.*

Gospel Reader Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,  
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

**All Alleluia.**

Gospel Reader Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to his disciples: "In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in clouds" with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake – for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

*(Mark 13.24-37)*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

*A short organ fanfare is played.*

## The Sermon

## Affirmation of faith

President Let us affirm, our common faith in Jesus Christ.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,  
source of all being and life,  
the one for whom we exist?

**All We believe and trust in him.**

President Do you believe and trust in God the Son,  
who took our human nature,  
died for us and rose again?

**All We believe and trust in him.**

President Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
who gives life to the people of God  
and makes Christ known in the world?

**All We believe and trust in him.**

President This is the faith of the Church.

**All This is our faith.  
We believe and trust in one God,  
Father. Son and Holy Spirit.**

## Intercessions

President Watchful at all times, let us pray for strength to stand with  
confidence before our Maker and Redeemer.

Intercessor That God may bring in his kingdom with justice and mercy,  
let us pray to the Lord:

**All Lord, have mercy.**

That God may establish among the nations  
his sceptre of righteousness,  
let us pray to the Lord:

**All Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor That we may seek Christ in the Scriptures  
and recognize him in the breaking of the bread,  
let us pray to the Lord:

**All Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor      That God may bind up the broken hearted,  
                     restore the sick and raise up all who have fallen,  
                     let us pray to the Lord:  
**All**                **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor      That the light of God's coming may dawn  
                     on all who live in darkness and the shadow of death,  
                     let us pray to the Lord:  
**All**                **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor      That, with all the saints in light,  
                     we may shine forth as lights for the world,  
                     let us pray to the Lord:  
**All**                **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor      We commend ourselves and all for whom we pray  
                     to the mercy and protection of our heavenly Father:  
  
                     Almighty God, as your blessed Son Jesus Christ  
                     first came to seek and to save the lost;  
                     so may he come again to find in us  
                     the completion of his redeeming work;  
                     for he is now alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
                     God for ever and ever.  
**All**                **Amen.**

## Liturgy of the Sacrament

### The Peace

President         In the tender mercy of our God,  
                     the dayspring from on high shall break upon us,  
                     to give light to those who dwell in darkness  
   and in the shadow of death  
                     and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

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

### Preparation of the Altar

## Taking of the Bread and Wine

*Verses from the Advent Prose are sung as the bread and wine are placed upon the altar.*

President Look upon us in mercy not in judgement;  
draw us from hatred to love; make the frailty of our praise  
a dwelling place for your glory.

**All Amen.**

## The Eucharistic Prayer

President The Lord be with you  
**All And also with you.**

President Lift up your hearts.  
**All We lift them to the Lord.**

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

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise,  
Almighty God and everlasting Father,  
through Jesus Christ your Son.  
For when he humbled himself  
to come among us in human flesh,  
he fulfilled the plan you formed before the foundation  
of the world  
to open for us the way of salvation.  
Confident that your promise will be fulfilled,  
we now watch for the day  
when Christ our Lord will come again in glory.  
And so we join our voices with angels and archangels  
and with all the company of heaven  
to proclaim your glory, for ever praising you and singing.

*Sanctus, Sanctus, 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 power and might. Heaven  
and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he  
who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

President

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy will,  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

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.

All

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:  
**Dying you destroyed our death,  
rising you restored our life: Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.  
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup  
and we thank you for counting us worthy  
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people  
and gather into one in your kingdom  
all who share this one bread and one cup,  
so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
St Peter, St Wilfrid and the all the saints,  
may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jwaua Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.

All

**Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

President      Awaiting his coming in glory,  
Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**All              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

President      We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.

**All              Though we are many, we are one body,  
                  because we all share in one bread.**

## The Giving of Communion

President      Draw near with faith.  
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ  
which he gave for you,

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

**All              The Body of Christ keep you in eternal life  
                  Amen.**

## Agnus Dei

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi.  
Miserere nobis  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi.  
Dona nobis pacem.*

Lamb of God, you take away the sin  
of the world, Have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin  
of the world, Grant us peace.

## Prayer after Communion

President O Lord our God,  
make us watchful and keep us faithful  
as we await the coming of your Son our Lord;  
that, when he shall appear,  
he may not find us sleeping in sin  
but active in his service  
and joyful in his praise;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

## The Dismissal

## The Blessing

President Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you,  
scatter the darkness from before your path,  
and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

President Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **In the name of Christ Amen**

## Organ Voluntary

Fantasy on 'Helmsley'

*Kenneth Leighton (1929-88)*