



RIPON

CATHEDRAL

Sung Eucharist

Third Sunday of Advent

Sunday 13th December 2020

Welcome to the Cathedral

Welcome to Ripon Cathedral for this act of worship. Christian worship has taken place on this site since St Wilfrid founded the Cathedral in 672 AD. The Cathedral Crypt is the oldest part of any English Cathedral and regular prayer has taken place there for almost 1350 years.

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.

If you would like to find out more about how the Cathedral community is seeking to grow God's Kingdom in this 21st century, please visit our website. Regular updates of all that we are involved in and our worship are posted on our Facebook page and we tweet regularly using "@riponcathedral".

Sitting, kneeling, standing

As human beings, we worship with our bodies as well as through our music and prayers. This Order of service invites you to sit, kneel or stand as appropriate. Please see these as merely invitations and adopt the posture you find most comfortable.

Coronavirus Ripon Cathedral continues to follow the guidance issued by the national church, which is regularly updated to take account of the most recent government advice. Consequently, it has been decided to continue to suspend the common cup (the chalice) at the administration of holy communion.

Following the Government's advice, the wearing of masks is compulsory unless you fall into an exempt category.

Large print versions of the Order of Service are available. Please ask those who welcomed you if you would like one.

An induction loop system is also in operation for hearing aid users.



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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.

We meet in the season of Advent. This 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.

As we worship today in this Cathedral church, we pray that we may all encounter God and be filled with God's life and love, and that we may reach out to include others in sharing our joy.

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

The Preacher is the Rev'd Canon Ailsa Newby, Canon Pastor.

The service is sung by the Lay Clerks of Ripon Cathedral and the mass setting is Missa Simile est regnum caelorum by Francisco Guerrero (c. 1528-1599).

The Cathedral bells are rung by the Ripon Cathedral Guild of Bellringers.

The flower display is kindly provided by the Ripon Cathedral flower guild.

Children at Ripon Cathedral

Children's church is for primary school aged children. All are invited to gather with the leaders in the library (up the stairs in the south transept) prior to the service.

Singing at Ripon Cathedral

We are delighted that the Lay Clerks will sing on our behalf. However, sadly congregational singing is not permitted.

Giving to support the work of the Cathedral

No collection is taken during the service, but a plate is left by the door as you leave for your offering in support of the mission and ministry of the Cathedral. If you are a taxpayer, please use one of the gift aid envelopes in the seats. If you would prefer to give by card, there is a terminal by the West door. If you would prefer to set up a bank transfer, please use these details.

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Words of welcome from the Canon in Residence.

The Gathering

Hymn

Please stand.

Choir Hark! a herald voice is calling:
 'Christ is nigh,' it seems to say;
 'Cast away the dreams of darkness,
 O ye children of the day!'

Lo! The Lamb, so long expected,
comes with pardon down from heaven;
let us haste, with tears of sorrow,
one and all to be forgiven;

so when next he comes in glory,
and earth's final hour draws near,
may he then as our defender
on the clouds of heaven appear.

NEH 5

Words: From the Latin tr. E. Caswall (1814-1878)

Music: MERTON W. H. Monk (1823-1889)

The Greeting

President In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
 and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

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

All and also with you.

Words of welcome and introduction to the service.

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

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.

President Turn to us again, O God our saviour,
 and let your anger cease from us:
 Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

 Show us your compassion, O Lord,
 and grant us your salvation:
 Christ, have mercy.

All **Christ, have mercy.**

 Your salvation is near for those that fear you,
 that glory may dwell in our land:
 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 The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon and forgiveness of all your sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The Collect

President Let us pray.
O Lord Jesus Christ,
who at your first coming sent your messenger
to prepare your way before you:
grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries
may likewise so prepare and make ready your way
by turning the hearts of the disobedient
to the wisdom of the just,
that at your second coming to judge the world
we may be found an acceptable people in your sight;
for you are alive and reign with the Father
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Please sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

New Testament Reading

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

My brothers and sisters,
Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of prophets, but test everything; hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil. May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do this.

(1 Thessalonians 5.16–24)

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

Please stand as an organ fanfare heralds the Gospel.

The Gospel

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

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

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. This is the testimony given by John when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, 'Who are you?' He confessed and did not deny it, but confessed, 'I am not the Messiah.' And they asked him, 'What then? Are you Elijah?' He said, 'I am not.' 'Are you the prophet?' He answered, 'No.' Then they said to him, 'Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?' He said, 'I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, "Make straight the way of the Lord,"' as the prophet Isaiah said. Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. They asked him, 'Why then are you baptizing if you are neither the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?' John answered them, 'I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not know, the one who is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandal.' This took place in Bethany across the Jordan where John was baptizing.

(John 1.6–8, 19–28)

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

A short organ fanfare is played after which you are invited to sit.

Sermon

A short silence is kept after the sermon after, which please stand.

The Creed

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. Amen.**

Please sit.

Intercessions

President Let us pray

Between each petition this response is used.

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy
All hear our prayer.

And at the end.

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

Please stand.

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.

President Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Preparation of the Altar

Taking of the Bread and Wine

The following is sung as the bread and wine are placed upon the altar.

*Benedixisti, Domine,
terram tuam: advertisti captivitatem
Iacob:
remisisti iniquitatem plebis tuae.*

What blessings, Lord,
thou hast granted to this land of
thine, restoring Israel from captivity,
pardoning thy people's guilt.

*Words: Isaiah 85.2
Music: Plainsong*

President Wise and gracious God,
you spread a table before us;
nourish your people with the word of life
and the bread of heaven.

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.**

President 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.
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 Jesus 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.**

Please sit or kneel.

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.**

We welcome communicants of all denominations to receive Holy Communion. If you are not a communicant and would like to receive a Blessing, please come up with this service sheet in your hand. Please move to the altar rails as directed by sidespeople. If you require a gluten-free wafer, please indicate this to the minister when receiving Communion.

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.

Motet

This is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou? And he confessed, and denied not; and said plainly, I am not the Christ. And they asked him, What art thou then? Art thou Elias? And he said, I am not. Art thou the Prophet? And he answered, No. Then said they unto him, What art thou? that we may give an answer unto them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself? And he said, I am the voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, make straight the way of the Lord.

Words: John 1.19-23

Music: Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

Prayer after Communion

President Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts;
kindle in us the fire of your Spirit
that when your Christ comes again
we may shine as lights before his face;
who is alive and reigns now and for ever.

All Amen.

Notices

Notices and Banns of marriage may be given.

Lighting of a candle on the Advent Wreath

The third candle on the Advent Wreath is lit.

President Blessed are you, sovereign Lord, just and true:
to you be praise and glory for ever.
Your prophet John the Baptist was witness to the truth
as a burning and shining light.
May we your servants rejoice in his light,
and so be led to witness to him
who is the Lord of our coming kingdom,
Jesus our Saviour and King of the ages.

All Blessed be God for ever.

The Dismissal

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 the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit
be among you and remain with you now and always.

All Amen.

President As we await our Saviour's coming,
go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

Organ Voluntary

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme
(Op.65, No.33)

Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

Today's Services

8.00 am Holy Eucharist (1662 Book of Common Prayer) begins on pg. 237
President & Preacher: The Dean

9.30 am Morning Prayer Psalm 50 [1-6, 62]

10.30am Sung Eucharist President: The Dean
Preacher: Canon Ailsa Newby
Children's Church takes place during the 10.30 service

12.30 pm Holy Eucharist (1662 BCP) President: Canon Ailsa Newby

3.30 pm Evensong

Responses *Rose* Psalms: 68[1-8]
Setting *Tranchell* in B flat
Anthem Rejoice in the Lord always *Causton*
Preacher Canon Wendy Wilby

Cathedral supporting the Parishes Canon Barry Pyke is presiding at Littlethorpe this morning

Diary for the Week

Morning Prayer: Monday to Saturday at 8.30am

Evening Prayer: Monday Saturday 5.30pm

Choral Evensong: Tuesday to Friday 6.00pm

Monday	9.00 am	The Eucharist	President: Canon Michael Gisbourne
Tuesday	9.00 am	The Eucharist	President: Venerable Clive Mansell
Wednesday	9.00 am	The Eucharist	President: The Dean
	12.00 BCP	The Eucharist	President: Rev'd Christopher Cornwell
Thursday	10.00 am	The Eucharist	President: Rev'd Alison Askew
Friday	9.00 am	The Eucharist	President: Venerable Jonathan Gough
	12 noon	The Eucharist	President: Canon Ailsa Newby
Saturday	9.00 am	The Eucharist	President: Canon Barry Pyke

Worship Next Sunday – 20th December St John the Apostle

8.00 am Eucharist (1662) President & Preacher: Canon Ailsa Newby

9.30 am Morning Prayer

10.30 am Sung Eucharist President: Canon Barry Pyke
Preacher: The Dean

12.30 pm Eucharist (1662) President: Canon Ailsa Newby

3.30 pm Evening Prayer

5.30pm Lessons and Carols