



GUILDFORD  
CATHEDRAL

6pm  
17 November 2024

**SECOND SUNDAY  
BEFORE ADVENT**  
CHORAL  
EVENSONG



# WELCOME

## ALL SAINTS TO ADVENT

From All Saints' Day we enter the time of the Christian year that is sometimes called 'The Kingdom Season'. It is a season of remembering, recalling the saints who have gone before us, the faithful departed on All Souls' Day, and celebrating on Remembrance Sunday those who have given their lives in war. We wait for the final consummation of God's new creation in Christ; those who are Christ's, whether or not they have passed through death, are joined in prayer that God's kingdom will be revealed finally and in all its fullness. The annual cycle of the Church's year then ends with the Feast of Christ the King, which returns us to the Advent theme of judgement.

## COLLECTION

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## PARTICIPATION IN THE SERVICE

We sing the hymns and say together the words in **bold** type. Although posture is suggested please do whatever is most comfortable for you. A large print copy of this order of service is available from the stewards.

## **MUSIC TODAY**

This evening's service is sung jointly with the Guildford Cathedral Singers.

## **PRECES AND RESPONSES**

Richard Ayleward (*c1625-1669*)

## **CANTICLES**

Evening Service in B minor *Thomas Tertius Noble (1867-1953)*

## **OFFICIANT AND PREACHER**

The officiant and preacher this evening is Canon Duncan Myers.

*Please stand as the procession enters to organ music.*

## **OPENING VERSICLES AND RESPONSES**

○ Lord, open thou our lips  
and our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

○ God, make speed to save us.

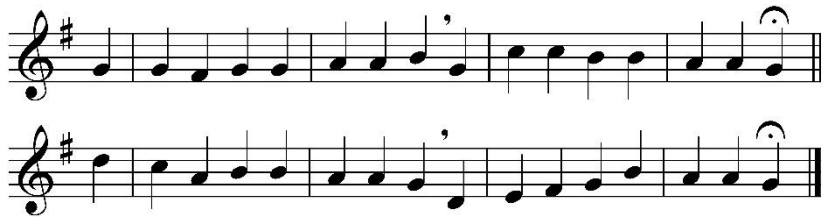
○ Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.  
The Lord's name be praised.

**WELCOME** Canon Duncan Myers

## **HYMN**



Glory to thee, my God, this night  
for all the blessings of the light;  
keep me, O keep me, King of kings,  
beneath thy own almighty wings.

Forgive me, Lord, for thy dear Son,  
the ill that I this day have done,  
that with the world, myself, and thee,  
I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.

Teach me to live, that I may dread  
the grave as little as my bed;  
teach me to die, that so I may  
rise glorious at the awful day.

O may my soul on thee repose,  
and with sweet sleep my eyelids close,  
sleep that may me more vigorous make  
to serve my God when I awake.

When in the night I sleepless lie,  
my soul with heavenly thoughts supply;  
let no ill dreams disturb my rest,  
no powers of darkness me molest.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
praise him, all creatures here below,  
praise him above, angelic host,  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711)*

*Music: CP 14 Tallis's Canon, Thomas Tallis (c.1505-1585)  
adapted in Ravencroft's Psalms 1621*

Sit **PSALM 95**

O come, let us sing unto the Lord :  
let us heartily rejoice in the  
strength of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving :  
and shew ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God :  
and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners of the earth :  
and the strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it :  
and his hands prepared the dry land.  
O come, let us worship and fall down :  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
For he is the Lord our God :  
and we are the people of his pasture,  
and the sheep of his hand.  
To-day if ye will hear his voice,  
harden not your hearts :  
as in the provocation, and as in the day  
of temptation in the wilderness;  
When your fathers tempted me :  
proved me, and saw my works.  
Forty years long was I grieved with this generation,  
and said :  
It is a people that do err in their hearts,  
for they have not known my ways;  
Unto whom I swear in my wrath :  
that they should not enter into my rest.

*Stand* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be :  
world without end. Amen.

*Chant: Jonathan Battishill (1738-1801)*

*Sit* **OLD TESTAMENT** Daniel 3.13-30

Nebuchadnezzar in furious rage commanded that Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego be brought in; so they brought those men before the king. Nebuchadnezzar said to them, 'Is it true, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, that you do not serve my gods and you do not worship the golden statue that I have set up? Now if you are ready when you hear the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, drum, and entire musical ensemble to fall down and worship the statue that I have made, well and

good. But if you do not worship, you shall immediately be thrown into a furnace of blazing fire, and who is the god that will deliver you out of my hands?’

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego answered the king, ‘O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to present a defence to you in this matter. If our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the furnace of blazing fire and out of your hand, O king, let him deliver us. But if not, be it known to you, O king, that we will not serve your gods and we will not worship the golden statue that you have set up.’

Then Nebuchadnezzar was so filled with rage against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego that his face was distorted. He ordered the furnace to be heated up seven times more than was customary, and ordered some of the strongest guards in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego and to throw them into the furnace of blazing fire. So the men were bound, still wearing their tunics, their trousers, their hats, and their other garments, and they were thrown into the furnace of blazing fire. Because the king’s command was urgent and the furnace was so overheated, the raging flames killed the men who lifted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. But the three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, fell down, bound, into the furnace of blazing fire.

Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished and rose up quickly. He said to his counsellors, ‘Was it not three men that we threw bound into the fire?’ They answered the king, ‘True, O king.’ He replied, ‘But I see four men unbound, walking in the middle of the fire, and they are not hurt; and the fourth has the appearance of a god.’ Nebuchadnezzar then approached the door of the furnace of blazing fire and said, ‘Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out! Come here!’ So Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego came out from the fire. And the satraps, the prefects, the governors, and the king’s counsellors gathered together and saw that the fire had not had any power over the bodies of those men; the hair of their heads was not singed, their tunics were not harmed, and not even the smell of fire came from them. Nebuchadnezzar said, ‘Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who has sent his angel and delivered his

servants who trusted in him. They disobeyed the king's command and yielded up their bodies rather than serve and worship any god except their own God. Therefore I make a decree: Any people, nation, or language that utters blasphemy against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego shall be torn limb from limb, and their houses laid in ruins; for there is no other god who is able to deliver in this way.' Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in the province of Babylon.

*Stand*

## **MAGNIFICAT**

My soul doth magnify the Lord :  
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.  
For he hath regarded :  
the lowliness of his hand-maiden.  
For behold, from henceforth :  
all generations shall call me blessed.  
For he that is mighty hath magnified me :  
and holy is his Name.  
And his mercy is on them that fear him :  
throughout all generations.  
He hath shewed strength with his arm :  
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.  
He hath put down the mighty from their seat :  
and hath exalted the humble and meek.  
He hath filled the hungry with good things :  
and the rich he hath sent empty away.  
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel :  
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.  
  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :  
world without end. Amen.

*Text: Luke 1.46-55*



Sit

**NEW TESTAMENT** Matthew 13.24-30,36-43

Jesus put before the disciples another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn." '

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!'

Stand

**NUNC DIMITTIS**

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace :

according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen : thy salvation;

Which thou hast prepared :

before the face of all people.

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles :  
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :  
world without end. Amen.

*Text: Luke 2. 29-32*

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth:  
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty;  
from thence he shall come  
to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost;  
the holy catholick Church;  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.  
Amen.**

## THE LESSER LITANY, LORD'S PRAYER AND PRECES

The Lord be with you.  
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

*Sit or* Lord, have mercy upon us.  
*kneel* Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive them that trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. Amen.

○ Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.  
And grant us thy salvation.

○ Lord, save the King.  
And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.  
And make thy chosen people joyful.

○ Lord, save thy people.  
And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, ○ Lord.  
Because there is none other that fighteth for us,  
but only thou, ○ God.

○ God, make clean our hearts within us.  
And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

## **THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

O God,  
whose blessed Son was manifested  
that he might destroy the works of the devil  
and make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life:  
grant us, we beseech thee, that, having this hope,  
we may purify ourselves, even as he is pure,  
that when he shall appear again with power and great glory  
we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;  
where with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Spirit,  
he liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever.  
Amen.

## **THE COLLECT FOR PEACE**

O God, from whom all holy desires,  
all good counsels, and all just works do proceed;  
give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give;  
that both, our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments,  
and also that, by thee,  
we being defended from the fear of our enemies  
may pass our time in rest and quietness;  
through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour.  
Amen.

## **THE COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS**

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord;  
and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers  
of this night; for the love of thy only Son,  
our Saviour, Jesus Christ.  
Amen.

Sit **ANTHEM**

The Heavens are telling the glory of God,  
The wonder of his work displays the firmament.

Today that is coming speaks it the day,  
The night that is gone to following night.  
The Heavens are telling the glory of God,  
The wonder of his work displays the firmament.

In all the lands resounds the word,  
Never unperceived, ever understood.  
The Heavens are telling the glory of God,  
The wonder of his work displays the firmament.

*Franz Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)*

**HOMILY** Canon Duncan Myers

Sit or kneel **THE PRAYERS** led by Canon Duncan Myers

*The prayers conclude with*

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with us all evermore. Amen.**

Stand **HYMN**



Thy kingdom come! On bended knee  
the passing ages pray;  
and faithful souls have yearned to see  
on earth that kingdom's day.

But the slow watches of the night  
not less to God belong;  
and for the everlasting right  
the silent stars are strong.

And lo, already on the hills  
the flags of dawn appear;  
gird up your loins, ye prophet souls,  
proclaim the day is near:

The day in whose clear-shining light  
all wrong shall stand revealed,  
when justice shall be throned in might,  
and every hurt be healed;

When knowledge, hand in hand with peace,  
shall walk the earth abroad:  
the day of perfect righteousness,  
the promised day of God.

*Words: Frederick Lucian Hosmer (1840-1929)*

*Music: CP 608 Irish, A Collection of Hymns, Dublin 1749*

## **BLESSING**

Christ our King make you faithful and strong to do his will,  
that you may reign with him in glory;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

## **ORGAN VOLUNTARY**

Flourish for an occasion *William Harris (1883-1973)*

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# WHAT'S HAPPENING?

## SERVICES TODAY

**7.30am** Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

**8am** Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) *in the Lady Chapel*

**10.45am** Cathedral Eucharist

**6pm** Choral Evenson

## SERVICES THIS WEEK

### MONDAY

**8.30am** Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel

**9am** Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

**5.30pm** Choral Evensong

### TUESDAY

**8am** Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel

**8.30am** Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

**5.30pm** Choral Evensong

### WEDNESDAY

**8.30am** Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel

**9am** Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

**5.30pm** Evening Prayer

### THURSDAY

**8.30am** Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel

**12.30pm** Holy Communion

**5.30pm** Choral Evensong

### FRIDAY

**8.30am** Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel

**9am** Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

**5.30pm** Choral Evensong



## **SATURDAY**

**9am** Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel

**9.30am** Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

**4pm** Evening Prayer

## **SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY 17 NOVEMBER**

**7.30am** Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel

**8am** Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) in the Lady Chapel

**9.45am** Cathedral Eucharist

**6pm** Choral Evensong with Installation of Canons

## **OUR NEW DEAN**

On Thursday 3 October Downing Street announced that the next Dean of Guildford will be the Venerable Bob Cooper, at present Archdeacon of Sunderland. Bob's Installation will take place at 3.00pm on Sunday 26 January 2025. Please remember him and Kate in your prayers. Details of how to book your ticket for the Installation will follow next week.

## **CANON CHRIS HOLLINGSBURT**

Chris will be away on retreat from Monday 18 November until Sunday 24 November inclusive.

## **CATHEDRAL MUSIC TRUST**

Today is Celebration Sunday, a day when we celebrate the award we have received from Cathedral Music Trust of £6,600 for the Schools and Colleges Evensong Project and give thanks for the generosity of the Trust's donors who make such awards possible. We are delighted to be working with six local state secondary schools, some 150 students in all, to give each of them the opportunity to be rehearsed by the Organist and Master of the Choristers, Katherine Dienes-Williams, or the Sub Organist, Asher Oliver, and to join the Cathedral choir in singing a service of Choral Evensong.

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

We are delighted to announce that Sunday School is returning to the Cathedral! The first session will be on Sunday 22nd December, during the Cathedral Eucharist, and it will be held monthly thereafter until we have been able to build up a big enough team to run it more frequently. Sunday School will be open to children aged 3-11 and will be held in the library. Please support this by:

- Praying – we need it to be rooted in prayer
- Spreading the word – please invite any families you know who may be interested
- Joining in – could you join the team once a month? Have a look at this video to find out how amazing it is working with children:  
<https://www.churchofengland.org/JOINresources>
- Being patient – new initiatives take time to grow
- Being welcoming – look out for new families and help them feel at home here

If you want to find out more, please get in touch with Rachel Johnson, Family Engagement Officer at [FamilyEngagement@guildford-cathedral.org](mailto:FamilyEngagement@guildford-cathedral.org).

## **JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM**

Children are warmly invited to take part in this lovely service as Mary, Joseph, angels and shepherds. There will be a rehearsal for this after the service on 15th December and during Sunday School on 22nd December – please come to either or both. It would be helpful to know in advance who to expect. Please email Rachel on [familyengagement@guildford-cathedral.org](mailto:familyengagement@guildford-cathedral.org) to find out more.

## **GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL CHRISTMAS FAIR – TOMBOLA PRIZES AND HELP**

**Friday 22 November and Saturday 23 November**

Friends of Guildford Cathedral will be running the Tombola Stall at the Cathedral Christmas Fair on Friday 22 November and Saturday 23 November 2024. They would be grateful if you could help by donating prizes for the tombola such as bottles, chocolates, boxes of biscuits, (all

in date), toiletries, and unwanted gifts. If you have any prizes you would like to donate, please leave them in the Office or the Sacristy with a label stating "Friends' Tombola."

Help is also needed on both days to help set up, run the Tombola Stall, and pack up each day. Help will be needed from 8am until 5pm on Friday and Saturday. If you can help on either day for a couple of hours (or more), please let Yvette Wright -Secretary to The Friends know by emailing ([friends@guildford-cathedral.org](mailto:friends@guildford-cathedral.org)) or phoning (07851 371590). Alternatively, speak to Pauline Read.

### **OPEN DOOR RETREAT**

An Open Door Retreat (ODR) is based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, and is a wonderful way of giving space for reflection "in daily life." Reflection on one's relationship with and response to God, to circumstances, to ourselves and to others. The retreat is made during a two hour session based over nine weeks. The sessions are experiential in nature and include music, art, poetry, reflection and sharing. The two leaders will share their personal experience of prayer and life. It is hoped that the participants feel able to gradually share as well - BUT only what they feel comfortable with.

There will be a small cost of £30 to cover your resources.

The retreat will be held in the cathedral and will start on January 16th at 10.15 and finish at 12.15 and will be every Thursday morning until 6th March (we will not meet on March 13th) and will finish on March 20th. Numbers will be limited

### **FOREIGN COINS AND BANKNOTES!**

The Cathedral's Coins Scheme asks for donations and gifts of currency, new or obsolete, from any country in the world, including the UK. We welcome anything, from a handful of coins to whole collections.

Everything we get is converted into Sterling. Sometimes friends of the Cathedral travelling abroad for holidays or on business take our accumulated donations with them to their country of origin. Sometimes we use trusted dealers who allow us an extra percentage applicable to charities and churches. To date, we have raised £29,500 plus. Please

search out those forgotten remnants from holidays abroad, and we can put them to good use! For further information contact John Mitchell on 01483 715459 or [37petherwin@gmail.com](mailto:37petherwin@gmail.com)

## **SAFEGUARDING AT GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL**

The Cathedral is committed to Safeguarding as an integral part of its ministry and mission, promoting a safer culture and the welfare of every child, young person and adult. As such, the Cathedral has robust policies, procedures and guidelines in place, to ensure good practice throughout the community. Chapter has overall responsibility for Safeguarding, and the Safeguarding Leadership Group reports to Chapter every month on the progress of our Safeguarding journey and any issues arising. The members of the Safeguarding Leadership Group are listed below and can be contacted at any time on any Safeguarding concern you may have about yourself or another member of the Cathedral Community.

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