



GUILDFORD
CATHEDRAL

6pm
3 November 2024

**FOURTH 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

Your support makes a real difference to the ministry and mission of Guildford Cathedral. If you would like to support this work on a regular basis it's very simple to set up a direct debit via the Parish Giving Scheme. The phone number is 0333 002 1271, and the Cathedral reference code is 170617001. One-off donations can be made using the Gift Aid envelopes or a contactless donation by using the contactless collection plates on your way out, or the contactless box (by the West Doors of the Cathedral) or our QR code. If you use the contactless plates or box and you are a taxpayer, please complete a green gift aid envelope and write 'contactless donation' on the front; please put the envelope in the plate or the cash box at the west end. On behalf of all at Guildford Cathedral, thank you.



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.

GUILDFORD TOWN CENTRE CHAPLAINCY - GTCC

During the service this evening, new volunteers of GTCC will be commissioned.

GTCC was founded by the Churches of Guildford to support the hidden and vulnerable in our town. In our sixteen years of operation we have reached out and supported many, and are now seen as a well-respected, award winning, charity. We have three projects:

Street Angels – Who go out every Friday and Saturday night between the hours of 10.30 and 4am. Our trained volunteers offer compassion and practical support, made possible by our strong working partnership with the local authority, emergency services and other community organisations.

Volunteer Chaplains – Can be found in Hostels, GP surgeries, Schools, Police, Churches, Retirement complex's, Night time venues, Entertainment and others places. They offer non-judgemental care and support by providing a safe place for people to be listened to.

Community Angels - Support some of the most lonely and vulnerable adults in our community. Clients are referred to us by different agencies such as Social Prescribing, GP's, Police and other individuals. Our volunteers come alongside, offering non-judgemental care for six months on a weekly basis helping to build confidence and reconnection. This project seeks to respond to growing demand to tackle social isolation.

GTCC – All volunteers are trained, supported, supervised and DBS checked. Currently we have over 130 volunteers across our three projects.

PRECES AND RESPONSES

Humphrey Clucas (*b. 1941*)

CANTICLES

Evening Service in D *Thomas Attwood Walmisley (1814-1856)*

OFFICIANT AND PREACHER

The officiant and preacher this evening is The Venerable Stuart Beake

WELCOME The Venerable Stuart Beake, Interim Dean

Stand **HYMN**

During the hymn the choir and clergy enter.



For all the saints, who from their labours rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesu, be for ever blest.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might;
thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness, their one true light.

Alleluia, alleluia.

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win, with them the victor's crown of gold.

Alleluia, alleluia.

O blest communion, fellowship divine!
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
all are one in thee, for all are thine.

Alleluia, alleluia.

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph-song,
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.

Alleluia, alleluia.

The golden evening brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;
sweet is the calm of Paradise the blest.

Alleluia, alleluia.

But lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright array:
the King of glory passes on his way.

Alleluia, alleluia.

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost

Alleluia, alleluia.

Text: W. Walsham How (1823-1897)

Music: CP 232 Sine Nomine, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

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.

Sit **PSALM 145.1-9**

I will magnify thee, O God, my King :
 and I will praise thy Name for ever and ever.
Every day will I give thanks unto thee :
 and praise thy Name for ever and ever.
Great is the Lord, and marvellous, worthy to be praised :
 there is no end of his greatness.
One generation shall praise thy works unto another :
 and declare thy power.
As for me, I will be talking of thy worship :
 thy glory, thy praise, and wondrous works;
So that men shall speak of the might of thy marvellous acts :
 and I will also tell of thy greatness.
The memorial of thine abundant kindness shall be shewed :
 and men shall sing of thy righteousness.
The Lord is gracious, and merciful :
 long-suffering, and of great goodness.
The Lord is loving unto every man :
 and his mercy is over all his works.

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: John Larkin Hopkins (1819-1873)

Sit **OLD TESTAMENT** Daniel 2.1, 25-48
read by Michael More-Molyneux, Lord Lieutenant of Surrey

The first lesson is written in the second chapter of the Book of Daniel, beginning at the first verse.

In the second year of Nebuchadnezzar's reign, Nebuchadnezzar dreamed such dreams that his spirit was troubled and his sleep left him.

Then Arioch quickly brought Daniel before the king and said to him: 'I have found among the exiles from Judah a man who can tell the king the interpretation.' The king said to Daniel, whose name was Belteshazzar, 'Are you able to tell me the dream that I have seen and its interpretation?' Daniel answered the king, 'No wise men, enchanters, magicians, or diviners can show to the king the mystery that the king is asking, but there is a God in heaven who reveals mysteries, and he has disclosed to King Nebuchadnezzar what will happen at the end of days. Your dream and the visions of your head as you lay in bed were these: To you, O king, as you lay in bed, came thoughts of what would be hereafter, and the revealer of mysteries disclosed to you what is to be. But as for me, this mystery has not been revealed to me because of any wisdom that I have more than any other living being, but in order that the interpretation may be known to the king and that you may understand the thoughts of your mind.

'You were looking, O king, and lo! there was a great statue. This statue was huge, its brilliance extraordinary; it was standing before you, and its appearance was frightening. The head of that statue was of fine gold, its chest and arms of silver, its middle and thighs of bronze, its legs of iron, its feet partly of iron and partly of clay. As you looked on, a stone was cut out, not by human hands, and it struck the statue on its feet of iron and clay and broke them in pieces. Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver, and the gold, were all broken in pieces and became like the chaff of the summer threshing-floors; and the wind carried them away, so that not a trace of them could be found. But the stone that struck the statue became a great mountain and filled the whole earth.

'This was the dream; now we will tell the king its interpretation. You, O king, the king of kings—to whom the God of heaven has given the kingdom, the power, the might, and the glory, into whose hand he has given human beings, wherever they live, the wild animals of the field, and the birds of the air, and whom he has established as ruler over them all - you are the head of gold. After you shall arise another kingdom inferior to yours, and yet a third kingdom of bronze, which shall rule over the

whole earth. And there shall be a fourth kingdom, strong as iron; just as iron crushes and smashes everything, it shall crush and shatter all these. As you saw the feet and toes partly of potter's clay and partly of iron, it shall be a divided kingdom; but some of the strength of iron shall be in it, as you saw the iron mixed with the clay. As the toes of the feet were part iron and part clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong and partly brittle. As you saw the iron mixed with clay, so will they mix with one another in marriage, but they will not hold together, just as iron does not mix with clay. And in the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that shall never be destroyed, nor shall this kingdom be left to another people. It shall crush all these kingdoms and bring them to an end, and it shall stand for ever; just as you saw that a stone was cut from the mountain not by hands, and that it crushed the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold. The great God has informed the king what shall be hereafter. The dream is certain, and its interpretation trustworthy.'

Then King Nebuchadnezzar fell on his face, worshipped Daniel, and commanded that a grain-offering and incense be offered to him. The king said to Daniel, 'Truly, your God is God of gods and Lord of kings and a revealer of mysteries, for you have been able to reveal this mystery!' Then the king promoted Daniel, gave him many great gifts, and made him ruler over the whole province of Babylon and chief prefect over all the wise men of Babylon.

Here ends the first lesson.

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** Revelation 7.9-17
read by Chief Superintendent Mark Chapman, Surrey Police

The second lesson is written in the seventh chapter of the Revelation to John, beginning at the ninth verse.

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

Here ends the second lesson.

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

Almighty and everlasting God,
who hast kindled the flame of love
in the hearts of thy saints:
grant to us, we beseech thee,
the same faith and power of love
that we, rejoicing in their triumphs,
may be sustained by their example and fellowship;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
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 Lord is good unto them that wait for him,
to the soul that seeketh him.
It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait
for the salvation of the Lord.
It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth.
For the Lord will not cast off for ever:
But though he cause grief, yet will he have compassion
according to the multitude of his mercies.
For he doth not afflict willingly, nor grieve the children of men.
For the Lord will not cast off for ever:
The Lord is good.
Jerusalem convertere ad Dominum Deum tuum.
[O Jerusalem, return unto the Lord thy God.]

Words: Lamentations 3: 25–7, 31–33; Hosea 14: 1

Music: Cecilia McDowall (b. 1951)

HOMILY The Venerable Stuart Beake

COMMISSIONING OF GTCC VOLUNTEERS

The Interim Dean invites all who are Volunteer Chaplains, Community Angels, Street Angels, Trustees and staff to stand in their places, along with the new volunteers, as a sign of unity. He addresses them, saying

All of you have been called to the important work of Guildford Town Centre chaplaincy. In your different roles as Chaplains, Community Angels and Street Angels you serve the community in and around Guildford. You have been trained and given of your time to fulfil this role. This work is undertaken in collaboration with other agencies and the support of the people and churches of Guildford. Today we acknowledge this commitment and commission the new volunteers for this work.

The Interim Dean addresses the congregation, saying

Before we commission the new volunteers, I ask you, the congregation gathered here today: will you, the people of Guildford, undertake to support and encourage all these volunteers in this work?

All respond

We will. May God bless them in this work.

The Interim Dean continues

None of these volunteers can function effectively alone. A spirit of teamwork, collaboration, and mutual encouragement, together with respect for those entrusted with leadership is essential.

So now I ask the new volunteers: Do you, volunteers, undertake to work in this spirit?

The new volunteers respond

We do.

The Interim Dean says

We receive you and welcome you and commission you to serve us and the wider Guildford community as Volunteer Chaplains, Community Angels and Street Angels. May God strengthen you in all you do. **Amen.**

All of the volunteers join in praying together

Loving God, from whom all blessings flow, we give you thanks and praise for all that you have called us to be. Draw out the many and varied gifts within each one of us and equip us for this work.

We thank you for the community of GTCC and all those who make this work possible.

Give us strength and courage to continue to reach out gently to those in need.

We offer this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Sit or
Kneel*

THE PRAYERS

led by Canon Chris Hollingshurst and leaders of GTCC

The response to the prayers is

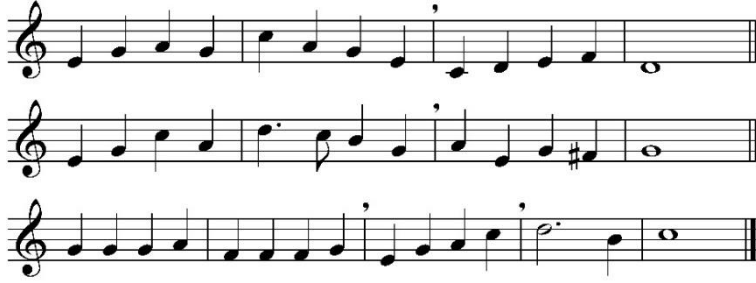
In faith we pray.

We pray to you, our God.

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**



Angel-voices ever singing
 round thy throne of light,
angel-harps for ever ringing,
 rest not day nor night;
thousands only live to bless thee
 and confess thee
 Lord of might.

Thou who art beyond the farthest
 mortal eye can scan,
can it be that thou regardest
 songs of sinful man?
Can we know that thou art near us,
 and wilt hear us?
 Yea, we can.

Yea, we know that thou rejoicest
 o'er each work of thine;
thou didst ears and hands and voices
 for thy praise design;
craftsman's art and music's measure
 for thy pleasure
 all combine.

In thy house, great God, we offer
of thine own to thee;
and for thine acceptance proffer
all unworthily
hearts and minds and hands and voices
in our choicest
psalmody.

Honour, glory, might and merit
thine shall ever be,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
blessèd Trinity.
Of the best that thou hast given
earth and heaven
render thee.

Words: Francis Pott (1832-1909)

Music: CP 377 Angel Voices, Edwin George Monk (1819-1900)

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

Nocturne Joseph Bonnet (1884-1944)

After the service, all are welcome to stay for a reception, at the west end of the Cathedral.

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

SERVICES TODAY

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 Commissioning of Guildford Town Centre
Chaplaincy Volunteers

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

8am Tuesday

8.30am Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

9am Saturday

Holy Communion *in the Lady Chapel*

8.30am Tuesday

9.00am Monday, Wednesday, Friday

9.30am Saturday

12.30pm Thursday

Choral Evensong

5.30pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

Evening Prayer

4pm Saturday

5.30pm Wednesday

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY 10 November

7.30am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

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

10.45am for 10.55am County Service of Remembrance

Preacher: The Bishop of Dorking, the Rt Reverend Paul Davies

6pm Requiem Eucharist for Remembrance Sunday

COUNTY SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

Sunday 10 November at **10.45am**

All are welcome to join us for the County Service of Remembrance.

Please note that members of the congregation need be seated by 10.45am for the service to start at 10.55am.

GORDON'S SCHOOL CHOIR AT CHORAL EVENSONG

On Friday 8 November at 5.30pm Gordon's School Choir, *Semper Fidelis*, will be singing Choral Evensong with the Cathedral Choir; this is part of The Schools Evensong Project.

RICHARD NORTH - FUNERAL

Many of us were shocked and saddened to hear of the death of Richard North. He was a long-standing and faithful member of the Cathedral Community and gave so much of himself to us – especially the team of Servers. Our hearts go out to Liz, Di, Mark and Mary and all the family. His funeral will be on November 8 November at 1.30pm in the Cathedral. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

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. We warmly welcomed him and Kate, his wife, and wished them well as they prepared for their move. Bob's Installation will take place at 3.00pm on Sunday 26 January 2025. Please remember him and Kate in your prayers.

EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN OF THE BIBLE

Friday 15 November at 7.30pm at St. Mary's Church, Quarry Street, Guildford GU1 3UA. The 'In Nomine' Choir performs 7 Anthems by Tristan Latchford on 7 poems by Graham Kings on 7 paintings by Silvia Dimitrova. Tickets £10, doors open 7pm.

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) or phoning (07851 371590). Alternatively, speak to Pauline Read.

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

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