ELY CATHEDRAL

Joyfully proclaiming the love of God in worship, outreach, welcome and care

SUNG EUCHARIST

with Holy Baptism

of

Timothy Pasha Singleton

Christ the King

Sunday 22 November 2026

10.30am

President : Canon Jenny Wright

Preacher : Canon Robert Mackley

Wells Mass

William Drakett b. 1992

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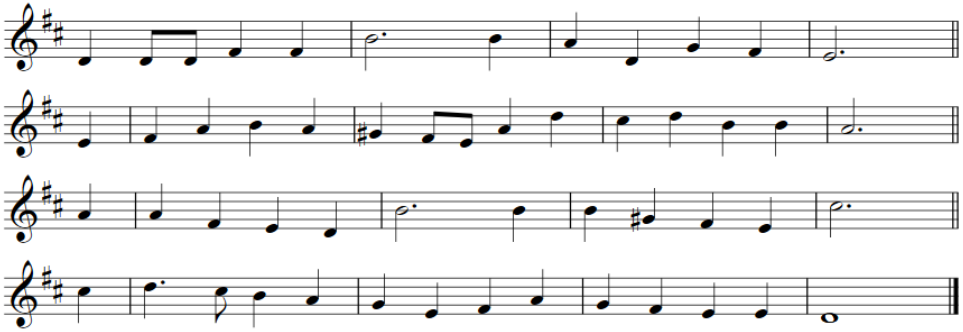
THE GATHERING *When the bell rings, please stand*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN



1
Crown him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.

2
Crown him the Virgin's Son,
The God incarnate born,
Whose arm those crimson trophies won
Which now his brow adorn:
Fruit of the mystic Rose,
As of that Rose the Stem;
The Root whence mercy ever flows,
The Babe of Bethlehem.

3
Crown him the Lord of Love!
Behold his hands and side,
Rich wounds yet visible above
In beauty glorified:
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye
At mysteries so bright.

4
Crown him the Lord of peace,
Whose power a sceptre sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease,
And all be prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end,
And round his piercèd feet
Fair flowers of Paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet.

5
Crown him the Lord of years,
The Potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres,
Ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For thou hast died for me;
Thy praise shall never, never fail
Throughout eternity.

Words: Matthew Bridges 1800-1894
Music: *Diademata* NEH 352 Sir George Elvey 1816-1893

THE GREETING

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

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

The President welcomes the people and introduces the liturgy

THE PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Deacon Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'
So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ,
confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

cf Matthew 4.17

Silence is kept

O King enthroned on high,
Filling the earth with your glory:
Holy is your name, Lord God almighty.
In our sinfulness we cry to you to take our guilt away,
And to cleanse our lips to speak your word,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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. **Amen.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *sung by the choir*

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, 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.

Let us pray.

Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD *Please sit*

READING
Ephesians 1.15-end

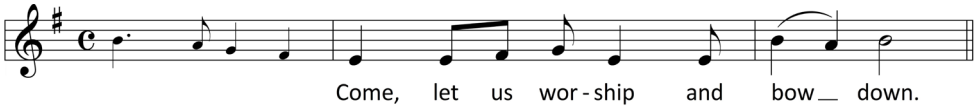
A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

For the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 95.1-7

The congregation is invited to join in with the refrain



Choir Come, let us worship and bow down.
All **Come, let us worship and bow down.**

1 O come let us sing to the Lord:
let us heartily rejoice in the rock of our salvation.
2 Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving,
and be glad in him with psalms.
3 For the Lord is a great God, and a great king above all gods.

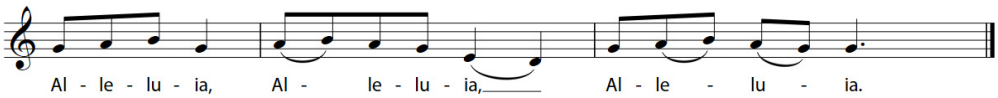
All **Come, let us worship and bow down.**

4 In his hand are the depths of the earth
and the heights of the mountains are his also.
5 The sea is his for he made it,
and his hands have moulded the dry land.
6 Come let us worship and bow down
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
7 For he is our God;
we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

All **Come, let us worship and bow down.**

Please stand and face the deacon

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

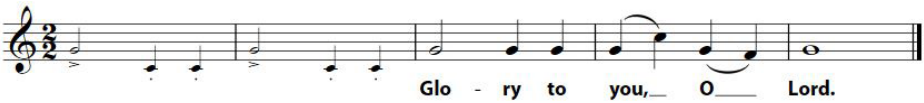


Choir Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.
All **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**
Choir Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!
All **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.** Luke 19.38

GOSPEL
Matthew 25.31-end

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

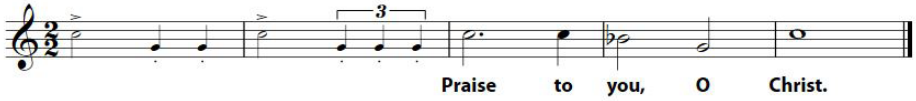
Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.



Jesus said, 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me."

Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



SERMON *Please sit*

After the Sermon silence is kept

THE LITURGY OF BAPTISM

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATE

The parents and godparents gather round the font
The President addresses the whole congregation

Faith is the gift of God to his people.
In baptism the Lord is adding to our number
those whom he is calling.
People of God, will you welcome Timothy
and uphold him in his new life in Christ?

All **With the help of God, we will.**

The President then says to the parents and godparents:

Parents and godparents,
the Church receives this child with joy.
Today we are trusting God for his growth in faith.
Will you pray for him and draw him by your example
into the community of faith
and walk with him in the way of Christ?
With the help of God, we will.

In baptism this child begins his journey in faith.
You speak for him today.
Will you care for him, and help him to take his place
within the life and worship of Christ's Church?
With the help of God, we will.

THE DECISION

The President addresses the parents and godparents

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light.
To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him.
Therefore I ask:

Do you reject the devil and all rebellion against God?
I reject them.

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?
I renounce them.

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?
I repent of them.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?
I turn to Christ.

Do you submit to Christ as our Lord?
I submit to Christ.

Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the life?
I come to Christ.

SIGNING WITH THE CROSS

The President makes the sign of the cross on Timothy's forhead saying

Christ claims you for his own.
Receive the sign of his cross.

Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

All **Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ**
against sin, the world and the devil,
and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness,
restore in you the image of his glory,
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ. **Amen.**

PRAYER OVER THE WATER

The President stands before the water of baptism and says

Praise God who made heaven and earth,

All **who keeps his promise for ever.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Father, we give you thanks and praise
for your gift of water in creation;
for your Spirit, sweeping over the waters, bringing light and life;
for your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, baptised in the river Jordan.
We bless you for your new creation,
brought to birth by water and the Spirit,
and for your grace bestowed upon us your children,
washing away our sins.

May your holy and life-giving Spirit
move upon these waters.
Restore through them the beauty of your creation,
and bring those who are baptised
to new birth in the family of your Church.
Drown sin in the waters of judgement,
anoint your children with power from on high,
and make them one with Christ
in the freedom of your kingdom.
For all might, majesty, dominion and power are yours,
now and for ever.
Amen.

PROFESSION OF FAITH *Please stand*

The President addresses the congregation

Brothers and sisters,
I ask you to profess together the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

All **I believe in God, the Father almighty,**
creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

All **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,**
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

All **I believe in the Holy Spirit,**
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

BAPTISM *Please sit*

The President pours water on the candidate, saying

Timothy Pasha,
I baptise you in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

May God, who has received you by baptism into his Church,
pour upon you the riches of his grace,
that within the company of Christ's pilgrim people
you may daily be renewed by his anointing Spirit,
and come to the inheritance of the saints in glory.
Amen.

THE WELCOME

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
by one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.

All **We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;**
we are children of the same heavenly Father;
we welcome you.

The congregation greets the newly baptised.

The parents and godparents return to their seats.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE *Please stand*

President To crown all things there must be love,
to bind all together and complete the whole.
Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

Colossians 3.14,15

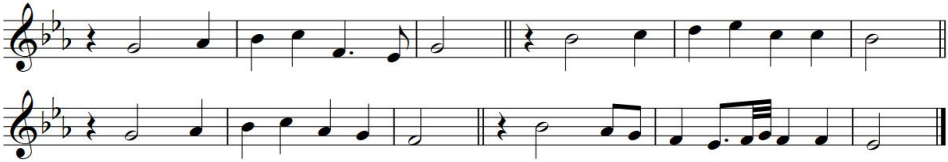
The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Deacon Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

While the Offertory Hymn is sung, a collection is taken to support the ministry of the Cathedral. You may also give by scanning the QR code, using the contactless giving plates, or when you leave, by using the Tap and Give machines at the west end and south door. Thank you.

THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

OFFERTORY HYMN



1
Morning glory, starlit sky,
soaring music, scholar's truth,
flight of swallows, autumn leaves,
memory's treasure, grace of youth:

2
Open are the gifts of God,
gifts of love to mind and sense;
hidden is love's agony,
love's endeavour, love's expense

3
Love that gives, gives evermore,
gives with zeal, with eager hands,
spares not, keeps not, all outpours,
ventures all, its all expends.

4
Drained is love in making full,
bound in setting others free,
poor in making many rich,
weak in giving power to be.

5
Therefore he who shows us God
helpless hangs upon the tree;
and the nails and crown of thorns
tell of what God's love must be.

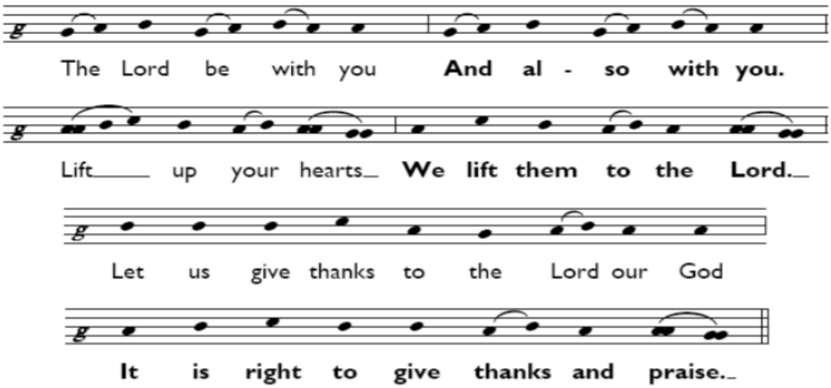
6
Here is God: no monarch he,
throned in easy state to reign;
here is God, whose arms of love,
aching, spent, the world sustain.

Words: A&M 544 William Hubert Vanstone 1923-1999
Music: *Song 13* NEH 382 melody and bass by Orlando Gibbons 1583-1625

The altar is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

The president takes the Bread and the Cup and praises God for his gifts.

Blessed be God,
who enthrones us with Christ in the heavenly realms.
May we feed upon the bread of God
and drink the royal wine of heaven.
Blessed be God for ever.



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.
For with the oil of gladness
you have anointed Christ the Lord, your only Son,
to be our great high priest and king of all creation.
As priest, he offered himself once for all upon the altar of the cross
and redeemed the human race by this perfect sacrifice of peace.
As king he claims dominion over all your creatures,
that he may bring before your infinite majesty
a kingdom of truth and life,
a kingdom of holiness and grace,
a kingdom of justice, love and peace.
And so with angels and archangels
and all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory
and join in their unending hymn of praise:

The choir sings

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.

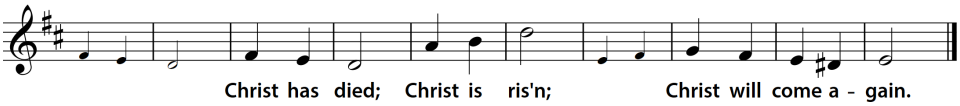
Please sit

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;

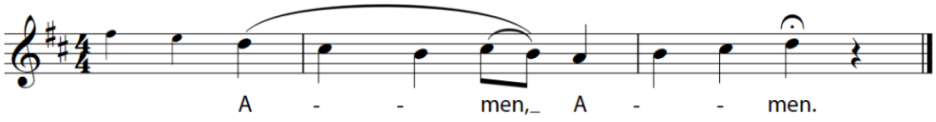
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

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.

Deacon Great is the mystery of faith.



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 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.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour taught us:
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

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Communicant members of all Christian churches are welcome to receive Communion. The practice at the Cathedral is to receive the wafer in the hand; if you are concerned about drinking from the common cup, please take the wafer only – please do not dip your wafer in the cup.

Gluten free wafers are available on request.

If you do not wish to receive communion, you are invited to come forward for a blessing. Please hold this service book as an indication to the ministers.

AGNUS DEI *sung by the choir*

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, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

MOTET *sung by the choir*

Christus factus est pro nobis obediens usque ad mortem;
mortem autem crucis.
Propter quod et Deus exaltabit illum,
et dedit illi nomen quod est super omne nomen.

Christ became obedient for us even unto death;
even death on the cross.
Because of this God highly exalted him,
and gave him a name which is above all other names.

Words: Philippians 2.8-9
Music: Felice Anerio c.1560-1614

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *Please stand*

President Let us pray.

A moment of silence is kept

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,
may by you be plenteously rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

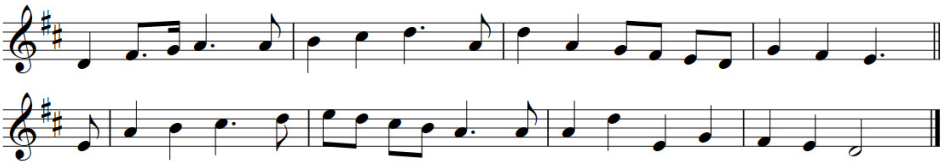
Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and has given us a place with the saints in light.
You have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.

All **Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.**

A representative of the congregation presents a gift and card to the newly baptised on behalf of the congregation

POST-COMMUNION HYMN



1
Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Doth his successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

2
People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on his love with sweetest song;
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on his name.

3
Blessings abound where'er he reigns;
The prisoner leaps to lose his chains;
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blest.

4
Let every creature rise and bring
Peculiar honours to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the long amen.

Words: Isaac Watts 1674–1748
Music: *Truro* NEH 388 *Psalmodia Evangelia* 1789

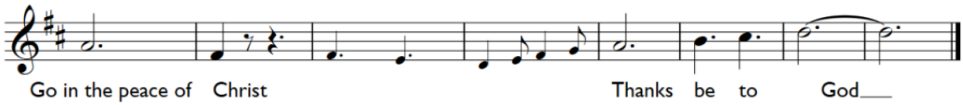
THE DISMISSAL

President God the Father,
who has given to his Son the name above every name,
strengthen you to proclaim Christ Jesus as Lord.
Amen.

God the Son,
who is our great high priest passed into the heavens,
plead for you at the right hand of the Father.
Amen.

God the Holy Spirit,
who pours out his abundant gifts upon the Church,
make you faithful servants of Christ our King.
Amen.

And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.



ORGAN Praeludium in E minor 'Little' - Nicolaus Bruhns 1665-1697

Everyone is welcome to refreshments after the service

THIS WEEK IN THE CATHEDRAL

Monday - Saturday	**7.30am**	**Morning Prayer**
	8.00am	**Holy Communion**
Monday 23 November	5.30pm	Evensong
Tuesday 24 November	5.30pm	Evensong
Wednesday 25 November	12.15pm	Midday Prayer
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer
Thursday 26 November	10.15am	Story and Song Time
	12.10pm	Holy Communion
	1.30pm	Funeral of Mavis Matthews
	5.30pm	Evensong
Friday 27 November	12.15pm	Midday Prayer
	5.30pm	Evensong
Saturday 28 November	5.30pm	Evening Prayer
	6.30pm	Diocesan Confirmation and Eucharist
Sunday 29 November	8.15am	Holy Communion
First Sunday of Advent	10.30am	Sung Eucharist
	6.00pm	Advent Procession

NOTICES

We regret to inform you that two long-standing members of the cathedral congregation died recently. Sandy Wakely died on 3rd November and Mavis Matthews on 5th November.
We pray for their souls and for all who mourn them.
Mavis' Funeral will be on 26th November at 1.30pm;
Sandy's Funeral will be on 1st December at 11.30am.
May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Club 225 (for anyone between 20 and 50) will be meeting for a Christmas gathering on 11 December at 6.30. If you are interested in attending this (or future meetings) please send an email to courses@elycathedral.org to be added to the mailing list.

Choir Chaperones We are looking for reliable and compassionate people to join our team of choir chaperones here at Ely Cathedral. Further information on the role and how to apply can be found in the application pack at: www.elycathedral.org/about/careers. The closing date is midday, Monday 14 December 2026.

The 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence begins on Wednesday 25th November until the 12th December. (Human Rights Day). There will be a display in the south transept, "The Souls of Your Shoes" arranged by the Mother's Union. This display is moving and emotional as it contains original quotes from abuse sufferers. There will be a Vigil in St Dunstan's Chapel at 12.15 on Saturday 28th, followed by a Silent Protest outside the West door, when a minute's silence will be kept at 1.03pm to remind us of the 1 in 3 women in the world, who will be abused in their lifetime. All are welcome to join us.

Awake and Hearken: Listening for the Advent Voice
An online Advent retreat from St Martin in the Fields
Saturday, 28 November, 10am -1pm.
Advent is a season that demands our attention, calling to us in imperatives: watch, wait, prepare, listen! The old words "hark" and "hearken" found in our Advent hymns refer to a particular quality of listening that watches and waits intently for the Advent voice to sound, that attends closely to it, that seeks transformation through what is heard. We will join the lectures online while enjoying shared space together. Please email courses@elycathedral.org to register your interest. Places are limited and will be on a first come basis.
Please note: you can sign up to this yourself on the Church Times website if you are unable to make 28 November.

Advent Book Group
Mondays in Advent, 10.30am-12pm
30 November, 7, 14 and 21 December
We will be reading and discussing *Walking with Angels* together, responding by slowing down and praying together as we journey through Advent. Through the spiritual practice of prayer walking, this reflective guide encourages readers to slow down, step outside, and engage both body and spirit. Drawing on the words spoken by angels in Scripture, it explores how these messengers of God reveal the good news at the heart of the Christian story.
Copies of the book are available from the Cathedral Shop.
Please register your interest by emailing courses@elycathedral.org.
Further information will be sent out the week before the course.

Advent Procession
Sunday 29 November, 6pm
Join us to mark the beginning of Advent with a beautiful candlelit service of readings and music sung by the Cathedral Choir. As the choir processes from the west end of the Cathedral to the east, the building is gradually transformed from darkness into light, creating a moving and unforgettable experience.

The Advent Procession is one of the most atmospheric services in the Cathedral year. Whether you are attending for the first time or returning to experience it again, this service offers a truly memorable way to acknowledge the season of Advent.