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SUNG EUCHARIST

The Feast of St Etheldreda

Queen, Foundress and First Abbess of Ely

Sunday 26 June 2022 10.30am

President and Preacher: The Bishop of Huntingdon

Messe à Deux Chœurs Charles-Marie Widor 1844-1937 Welcome to Ely Cathedral this morning. Everyone is very welcome for refreshments after the service in the Lady Chapel. Communicant members of all Christian denominations are welcome to receive Communion at this service.

We are delighted to welcome children and families. The North Transept is an area to share fully in the worship experience with easy access to toilet and baby changing facilities. Junior Church will gather in the family area in the North transept at the start of the service. Please ask a steward for directions or for more information. Café Church caters for those of secondary school age - Tim & Sue Thompson (tim@timthompson.plus.com) for more details.



There is an Induction Loop in both the North and South Transepts, the Choir and the Presbytery, for those using a hearing aid, and large copies of the service sheet are available on request.



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Today's services are livestreamed and can be viewed on the Cathedral YouTube page or via our website. If you would prefer to sit out of sight of the cameras, please ask a steward to direct you. Please respect the wishes of those who want to be quiet and pray before the service begins - thank you.

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(either the West Door or the South Door)

THE GATHERING

When the bell rings, please stand.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN



Christ is made the sure foundation And the precious corner-stone, Who, the two walls underlying Bound in each, binds both in one, Holy Sion's help for ever, And her confidence alone.

2

All that dedicated city, Dearly loved by God on high, In exultant jubilation Pours perpetual melody,

God the One, in Threefold glory,

Singing everlastingly.

To this temple, where we call thee, Come, O Lord of hosts, today; With thy wonted loving-kindness, Hear thy people as they pray; And thy fullest benediction Shed within its walls for ay.

4 Here vouchsafe to all thy servants Gifts of grace by prayer to gain; Here to have and hold for ever. Those good things their prayers obtain, And hereafter, in thy glory, With thy blessèd ones to reign.

5 Laud and honour to the Father. Laud and honour to the Son. Laud and honour to the Spirit, Ever Three and ever One. One in love, and One in splendour, While unending ages run. Amen

Words: Latin c 7th century Tr J.M. Neale 1818-66 Music: Westminster Abbey NEH 205 Adapted from the Alleluyas in Purcell's ' O God, Thou are my God' for Belville in The Psalmist 1843

THE GREETING

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

> The Lord be with you and also with you.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Please sit

Deacon

Since we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, looking to Jesus in penitence and faith.

Lord, you are gracious and compassionate: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

You are loving to all and your mercy is over all your creation: Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Your faithful servants bless your name and speak of the glory of your kingdom: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Bishop

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.**

Please stand

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS sung by the choir

Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis. Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam, Domine Deus, Rex coelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty.

Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe:
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris,
qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

O Lord the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ,

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us;

Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis.

> Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that sittest at the right hand of the Father, have mercy upon us.

Quoniam tu solus sanctus, tu solus Dominus, tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris. Amen. For thou only art Holy, thou only art the Lord, thou only O Christ with the Holy Ghost art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

Eternal God,

who bestowed such grace upon your servant Etheldreda that she gave herself wholly to the life of prayer and to the service of your true religion: grant that we, like her, may so live our lives on earth seeking your kingdom that by your guiding we may be joined to the glorious fellowship of your saints; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, 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*

FIRST READING
1 Chronicles 29.1-5

A reading from the first book of Chronicles.

King David said to the whole assembly, "My son Solomon, whom alone God has chosen, is young and inexperienced, and the work is great; for the temple will not be for mortals but for the Lord God. So I have provided for the house of my God, so far as I was able, the gold for the things of gold, the silver for the things of silver, and the bronze for the things of bronze, the iron for the things of iron, and wood for the things of wood, besides great quantities of onyx and stones for setting, antimony, coloured stones, all sorts of precious stones, and marble in abundance. Moreover, in addition to all that I have provided for the holy house, I have a treasure of my own of gold and silver, and because of my devotion to the house of my God I give it to the house of my God: three thousand talents of gold, of the gold of Ophir, and seven thousand talents of refined silver, for overlaying the walls of the house, and for all the work to be done by artisans, gold for the things of gold and silver for the things of silver. Who then will offer willingly, consecrating themselves today to the Lord?"

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE FOR SAINT ETHELDREDA sung by the choir

Now our hymn to God upraising, Sing we of a Queen's amazing lowliness of mind today; Who her royal state rejected And, impell'd by love elected In Christ's holy rule to stay. See as man her way impedeth, As she follows where God leadeth Lo her staff breaks out in flower; Far aside all hindrance thrusting, Loving God, Him only trusting She is strengthened in that hour. See the flood the Saint protecteth; God the plans of men correcteth; She is safe from strife at last;

Bound to prayer for man's salvation And to daily adoration, To her Lord alone held fast. So by God to Ely called, O'er his virgin flock installed Mother by St. Wilfred's hand; Now thro' work and word she teacheth Of the blessed way that reacheth Unto life's eternal land. Elv's shrine of wondrous beauty Kept by men of faith and duty, Through long years of change and strife; Still is here to tell the story Of how grace leads on to glory, And to everlasting life. Etheldreda's holy living Urgeth us to heartfelt giving, Of ourselves to God today; May her prayers for us ascending Gain us joys that know no ending With the saints on high for ay. Amen. Alleluya.

Words and Music: Ely Traditional

SECOND READING Philippians 3. 7-17

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own.

Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus. Let those of us then who are mature be of the same mind; and if you think differently about anything, this too God will reveal to you. Only let us hold fast to what we have attained. Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Please stand and face the deacon



Choir Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia!

All Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia!

Blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment

of what was spoken to her by the Lord.

All Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia!

GOSPEL Matthew 19, 23-end

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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



Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'Truly I tell you, it will be hard for a rich person to enter the kingdom of heaven. Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.' When the disciples heard this, they were greatly astounded and said, 'Then who can be saved?' But Jesus looked at them and said, 'For mortals it is impossible, but for God all things are possible.'

Then Peter said in reply, 'Look, we have left everything and followed you. What then will we have?' Jesus said to them, 'Truly I tell you, at the renewal of all things, when the Son of Man is seated on the throne of his glory, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or fields, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold, and will inherit eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Please sit

SERMON

After the Sermon silence is kept

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Please stand

Bishop We proclaim the Church's faith in Jesus Christ.

All We believe and declare that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is both divine and human.

God, of the being of the Father, the only Son from before time began; human from the being of his mother, born in the world;

All fully God and fully human; human in both mind and body.

As God he is equal to the Father, as human he is less than the Father.

All Although he is both divine and human he is not two beings but one Christ.

One, not by turning God into flesh, but by taking humanity into God;

All truly one, not by mixing humanity with Godhead, but by being one person.

For as mind and body form one human being so the one Christ is both divine and human.

All The Word became flesh and lived among us; we have seen his glory, the glory of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

from the Athanasian Creed

THE INTERCESSIONS

Bishop In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ let us pray to the Father.

Please sit or kneel. These responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy or Lord, hear us.

hear our prayer. Lord, graciously hear us.

And at the end

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE Please stand

Bishop We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near.

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





Saints of Ely, raise your voices
High in heaven, God's praise to sing!
Join the Church, which here rejoices
In the name of Christ, Her King!
You bore witness through the ages
In this holy, hallowed place,
Stamped your mark on history's pages,
Preached salvation to our race.

2
Etheldreda, Virgin glorious,
Earthly might you did foreswear,
Leaving wealth and things vainglorious,
You raised up a house of prayer.
For the love of Christ your Saviour
You renounced the role of wife,
And by meek and chaste behaviour
You espoused the Way of Life.

Following this devout example,
Men and women, rich and poor,
Young and old, with faith so ample,
Through the years have striven secure,
Guided by the Holy Spirit,
They have fought the faithful fight,
And by Christ's eternal merit
Now have gained a crown of light.

4
Many pilgrims came to Ely,
Seeking out the sacred isle,
Thus they journeyed ever freely
O'er the water, mile by mile,
Through the mists and murky places,
Through the realm of fish and fowl,
To the shrine whose healing graces
Brought them solace for the soul.

Dearest Lord, as we remember
Those who here have gone before,
Make this hallowed ground love's ember,
Steer this ship t'wards heaven's shore.
Let it be a radiant beacon,
Shining out o'er land and sea,
Let not faith nor hope e'er weaken;
Bless our ancient, treasured See.

The Bishop takes the Bread and the Cup and praises God for his gifts

Lord, accept the gifts we bring to your table on this feast of Saint Etheldreda. Free us from the things that keep us from you and teach us to seek you as our only good. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE FUCHARISTIC PRAYER



It is truly right and good, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. This day we honour you in Saint Etheldreda, who consecrated her life to Christ for the sake of the kingdom of heaven. In her you show us your saving love as you call the human race back to its first holiness, and invite us to taste on earth the gifts of the world to come. In communion with angels and archangels, and all who served you on earth and worship you now in heaven, we raise our voice to proclaim your glory, for ever praising you and singing:

The choir sings

Sanctus, Sanctus Holy, holy, holy, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Lord God of Hosts

Pleni sunt coeli et terra Heaven and earth are full of

gloria tua. your glory.

Osanna in excelsis. Hosanna in the highest.

Benedictus qui venit Blessed is he who comes in nomine Domini. in the name of the Lord.
Osanna in excelsis. 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

Bishop Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has 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 Bishop 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.

THE GIVING OF COMMUNION

The Bishop invites the people to receive Holy Communion, saying

I heard the voice of a great multitude crying, 'Alleluia.'
The Lord our God has entered into his kingdom.
Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

The following words are used at the distribution

The body of Christ. **Amen.**The blood of Christ. **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI sung by the choir during Communion

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis, Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis, Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, grant us your peace.

MOTET sung by the choir during Communion

Tantum ergo sacramentum Veneremur cernui: Et antiquum documentum Novo cedat ritui. Praestet fides supplementum Sensuum defectui.

Genitori, genitoque Laus et jubilatio, Salus, honor, virtus quoque Sit et benedictio, Procedenti ab utroque Compar sit laudatio. Amen. Therefore we, before him bending, This great sacrament revere: Types and shadows have their ending, For the newer rite is here; Faith, our outward sense befriending, Makes the inward vision clear.

Glory let us give and blessing
To the Father and the Son,
Honour, might and praise addressing,
While eternal ages run;
Ever too his love confessing,
Who, from both, with both is one. Amen.

Words: Hymn for the Feast of Corpus Christi, St. Thomas Aquinas Music: Maurice Duruflé 1902-1986

Please stand

Let us pray.

Merciful God,
who gave such grace to your servant Etheldreda
that she served you with singleness of heart
and loved you above all things:
help us, whose communion with you
has been renewed in this sacrament,
to forsake all that holds us back from following Christ
and to grow into his likeness from glory to glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

During the hymn, the choir, clergy and congregation move to St Etheldreda's Shrine



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.

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. Bishop God is in the midst of her.

All Therefore shall she not be removed.

Bishop Let us pray.

Lighten, we beseech you, O merciful God, the hearts of your faithful people; and by the example of your servant Etheldreda, teach us to seek the things which are above; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The hymn continues

4
Crown him the Lord of peace,
Whose power a sceptre sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease,
Absorbed in 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. Glassed in a sea of light, Where everlasting waves Reflect his throne - the Infinite! Who lives - and loves - and saves.

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

THE DISMISSAL

Bishop God give you grace to follow The Blessed Virgin Mary, Etheldreda and all his saints in faith and hope and love;
And the blessing of God Almighty,

★ the Father, ★ the Son and ★ the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**



ORGAN Final from Symphony No. 6 - Charles-Marie Widor 1844-1937

FESTAL EVENSONG: 4pm

Preces: *Rose* Psalms: 4 , 121, 124 Service in A flat *Harwood* Hymns: 208, 197

And when the builders Shephard

Locus Iste Bruckner

Organ: Toccata from 'Plymouth Suite' Whitlock

NOTICES

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THE DEAN is preaching today at St Peter's Berkhamsted for their 800th anniversary patrons festival. He was Rector of Berkhamsted 1996-2004.

THE CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING is held in the Cathedral Centre every Wednesday from 10.00 - 11.30. All are welcome to attend.

ELY CATHEDRAL MOTHERS' UNION meet next on Wednesday 6th July, in the DEMAT Rooms, 8 High Street at 3pm, when our speaker will be Linda Joel, from the Cathedral Broderers group. We look forward to hearing about this skilled work and their latest projects. We will also be announcing the winners of our fundraising quiz. Visitors always welcome.

THE FRIENDS OF ELY CATHEDRAL SUMMER SOCIAL Don't forget the Friends' Strawberries & Fizz Evening in the Bishop's Marquee on Friday, 8 July, 7.00 - 9.30pm, with musical entertainment by Tom Kennedy. Tickets (already selling well) are £12 Friends, £15 Guests and available from Sue Hunting at sue.hunting@elycathedral.org or 01353 660348.

LITTER PICKING AROUND ELY We will have our next litter picking session on Saturday 2 July from 8.00 a.m. 9.00 a.m. If you would be interested in joining us, we meet outside the South Door of the Cathedral at 8.00 a.m. All equipment will be provided. Coffee and cake in the Cathedral will follow. Any further information from Sue Holgate. sueholgate@outlook.com

LUNCHTIME CONCERTS

Thursdays at 1.10pm Admission free with Cathedral visitor ticket or pass.

30 June Harley Jones (bass) & Jack Wilson (piano)

Earth and Air and Rain *Gerald Finzi 1901-1956*

7 July Neil Colledge (piano)

Allegretto in C Minor Impromptu in C Minor Impromptu in E Flat Impromptu in G Flat Impromptu in G Sharp Franz Schubert 1797-1828

14 July Stephen Armstrong and Friends

Vocal and instrumental recital



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