

GLOUCESTER
CATHEDRAL

Family Eucharist
The First Sunday after Trinity

Sunday, 14 June 2026
9.30 a.m.
The Nave

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Welcome

Welcome to Gloucester Cathedral. There has been a place of worship on this site for over 1,300 years. Today, we join with the generations of people who have gone before us and with the whole company of heaven in the worship of God.

The Eucharist, which means ‘thanksgiving’, is perhaps the most important act of worship for Christians because it recalls the death and resurrection of Jesus, fulfilling his command at the Last Supper to remember him. Outwardly, the Eucharist takes the form of sharing bread and wine; inwardly, Christ is made present to us in a special way, and we are given a taste of the heavenly banquet, which God has prepared for those who love him.

If you are new and would like to discover more about congregational life, please do introduce yourself to a member of the clergy at the end of the service. There is also information about being part of the cathedral congregation on the website. You can contact the Cathedral clergy by emailing: clergy@gloucestercathedral.org.uk



The musical setting of the Eucharist is
THE MASS OF ST THOMAS by David Thorne

The president is the Canon Chancellor
The Reverend Canon Dr Rebecca Lloyd

The preacher is
The Cathedral Curate
The Reverend Sister Debbie Orriss

¶ *The Gathering*

At 9.30 a.m., the congregation stands to sing the processional hymn



**All people that on earth do dwell,
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,
come ye before him, and rejoice.**

**The Lord, ye know, is God indeed;
without our aid he did us make;
we are his folk, he doth us feed,
and for his sheep he doth us take.**

**O enter then his gates with praise,
approach with joy his courts unto;
praise, laud, and bless his name always,
for it is seemly so to do.**

**For why? the Lord our God is good;
his mercy is for ever sure;
his truth at all times firmly stood,
and shall from age to age endure.**

**To Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
the God whom heaven and earth adore,
from men and from the angel host
be praise and glory evermore.**

*Words, William Kethe d.1594
Psalm 100 in Anglo-Genevan Psalter 1560
Tune, OLD HUNDREDTH; Genevan Psalter 1551*

The president says

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

All **Amen.**

The Greeting

The president greets the people

The Lord be with you

All **and also with you.**

The president gives a welcome and introduces the service.

Prayers of Preparation

All **Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Prayers of Penitence

The deacon says

As we prepare to celebrate
the presence of Christ in word and sacrament,
let us call to mind and confess our sins.

All **Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name.
Amen.**

The president says

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.

All **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

The choir and congregation sings

Organ

Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God,
Glo - ry to God in the high - est. Glo - ry to God in the
high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.
Lord God, Heaven - ly King, Al - migh - ty God and
Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. Glo - ry to God,
Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God in the high - est.
Lord, Jes - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the
Fa - ther. Lord God, Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us;
You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther:

re - ceive our prayer. Glo - ry to God,
 Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God in the high - est.
 For you a - lone are the Ho - ly one, You a - lone are the Lord,
 You a - lone are the most high, Je - sus Christ,
 with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the
 Fa - ther. Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God,
 Glo - ry to God in the high - est.

The Collect

The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the bidding

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Lord, you have taught us
 that all our doings without love are nothing worth:
 send your Holy Spirit
 and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,
 the true bond of peace and of all virtues,
 without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.
 Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake,
 who is alive and reigns with you,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

The congregation sits.

¶ *The Liturgy of the Word*

Old Testament Reading

A reading from the book of the Exodus.

They journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the mountain, “Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob and tell the Israelites: ‘You have seen what I did to the Egyptians and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. Now, therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation.’ These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.”

So Moses went, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him. The people all answered as one, “Everything that the Lord has spoken we will do.” Moses reported the words of the people to the Lord.

19.2-8

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

The congregation stands to sing



**Lord, thy church on earth is seeking
thy renewal from above;
teach us all the art of speaking
with the accent of thy love.
We would heed thy great commission:
‘Go now into every place -
preach, baptize, fulfil my mission,
serve with love and share my grace’.**

**Freedom give to those in bondage,
lift the burdens caused by sin.
Give new hope, new strength and courage,
grant release from fears within.
Light for darkness; joy for sorrow;
love for hatred; peace for strife:
these and countless blessings follow
as the Spirit gives new life.**

**In the streets of every city
where the bruised and lonely dwell,
let us show the Saviour’s pity,
let us of his mercy tell;
to all lands and peoples bringing
all the richness of thy word,
till the world, thy praises singing,
hails thee Christ, Redeemer, Lord.**

*Words, Hugh Sherlock 1905-1998
Tune, LUX EOI; Arthur Sullivan 1842-1900*

Gospel Reading

The deacon says

Alleluia, Alleluia.

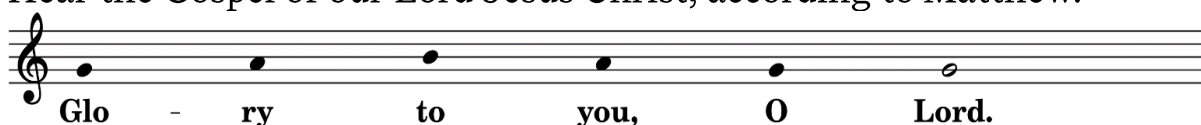
Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.

You have the words of eternal life.

All Alleluia.

When the Gospel is announced, the deacon says

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



Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, ‘The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.’

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: ‘Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, “The kingdom of heaven has come near.” Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

9.35-10.8

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sermon

The congregation sits.

The Creed

The congregation stands and the president says

Let us declare our faith in God.

All **We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.**

Amen.

The congregation sits.

The Prayers of Intercession

The president says

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

The congregation sits.

After each prayer, the response is used

Lord of compassion

All **in your mercy, hear us.**

At the end, the president says

Merciful Father

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

¶ *The Liturgy of the Sacrament*

The Peace

The congregation stands.

The president introduces the Peace

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,
since as members of one body you are called to peace.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

cf Colossians 3.15

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All **and also with you.**

The deacon says

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Preparation of the Table

As the altar is prepared, the congregation stands to sing



1. **We pray thee, heavenly Father,
to hear us in thy love,
and pour upon thy children
the unction from above;
that so in love abiding,
from all defilement free,
we may in pureness offer
our Eucharist to Thee.**
2. **Be thou our guide and helper,
O Jesu Christ, we pray;
so may we well approach thee,
if thou wilt be the Way:
thou, very Truth, hast promised
to help us in our strife,
food of the weary pilgrim,
eternal source of Life.**
3. **And thou, creator Spirit,
look on us, we are thine;
renew us in thy graces,
upon our darkness shine;
that, with thy benediction
upon our souls outpoured,
we may receive in gladness
the body of the Lord.**
4. **O Trinity of Persons,
O Unity most high,
on thee alone relying
thy servants would draw nigh:
unworthy in our weakness,
on thee our hope is stayed,
and blessed by thy forgiveness
we will not be afraid.**

*Words, Vincent Stuckey Stratton Coles 1845-1929
Tune, OFFERTORIUM; Melody adapted from
Michael Haydn 1737-1806*

Organ

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
 hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na,
 Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

We praise and bless you, loving Father,
 through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
 and as we obey his command,
 send your Holy Spirit,
 that broken bread and wine outpoured
 may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son,
 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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:



Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.
Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary,
Peter, Benedict, Kyneburga and all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.
Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
for ever and ever.



The congregation sits.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us,
each in our own language

<i>All</i> Our Father,	Notre Père...
who art in heaven,	
hallowed be thy name;	Vater Unser...
thy kingdom come;	
thy will be done;	Onze Vader...
on earth as it is in heaven.	
Give us this day our daily bread.	Padre Nuestro...
And forgive us our trespasses,	
as we forgive those who trespass against us.	Ojcze Nasz...
And lead us not into temptation;	
but deliver us from evil.	Baba Yetu...
For thine is the kingdom,	
the power and the glory,	E to matou Matua...
for ever and ever.	
Amen.	Ein Tad...

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread, saying

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

All **Though we are many, we are one body,**
because we all share in one bread.

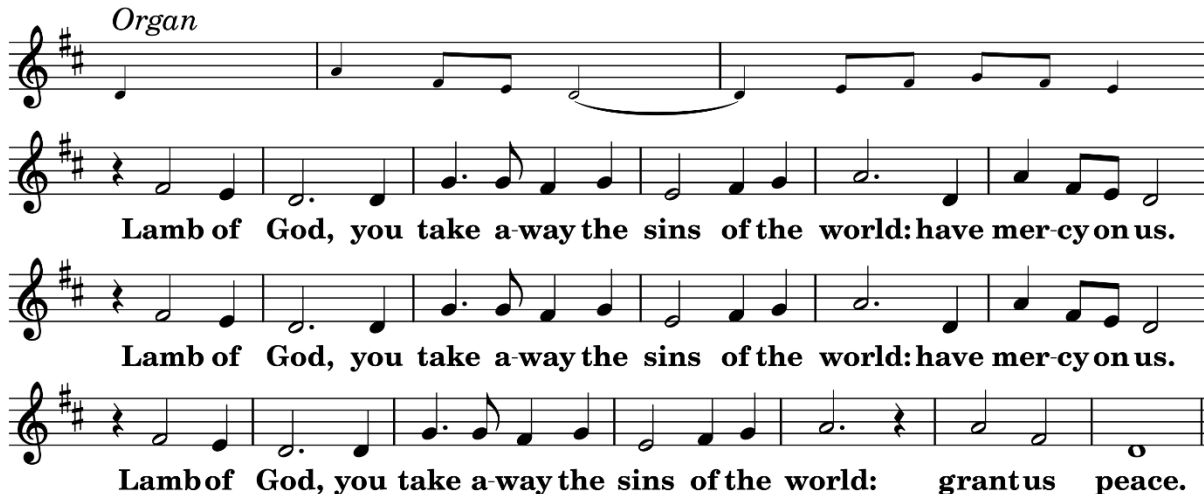
Giving of Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,**
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

The choir and congregation sing

Organ



Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The president and people receive Communion.

If it is your custom to receive Communion in your own church, you are welcome to do so today. If you would rather receive a blessing, please bring this order of service with you so that we may know how to minister to you.

Communion is offered in both bread and wine, though you may wish to receive the bread only. For hygiene reasons, intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is prohibited.

If you require a gluten free wafer, please tell the ministers.

Those watching the live stream may wish to use this prayer

Lord Jesus, you made yourself known in the breaking of the bread,
I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul:
since I cannot at this moment receive Communion,
come at least spiritually into my heart;
I embrace you as if you were already there
and unite myself wholly to you,
Never permit me to be separated from you.
Amen.

Prayer after Communion

The president introduces a period of silent prayer

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Loving Father,
we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son:
sustain us with your Spirit,
that we may serve you here on earth
until our joy is complete in heaven,
and we share in the eternal banquet
with Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

All **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.

¶ *The Dismissal*

The congregation stands to sing



**Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesu, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.**

**Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all thy grace receive;
suddenly return and never,
never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above;
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.**

**Finish then, thy new creation:
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee.
Changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.**

*Words, Charles Wesley 1707-1788
Tune, BLAENWERN; W. P. Rowlands 1860-1937*

The Blessing

The president says

The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God almighty,
+ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

The Dismissal

The deacon says

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

The congregation remains standing as the choir and ministers depart.

The organist plays

Prelude in E flat 'St Anne' (BWV 552a)

J. S. Bach 1685-1750

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Notices

Erik Lowis R.I.P.

We are deeply saddened to share the news of the death of Erik Lowis. Erik was a faithful member of the cathedral community and will be much missed. His funeral service will take place on Tuesday, 30 June at 1.15 p.m. in the Quire, to which all are warmly welcome.

A Gloucestershire Cantata

Sunday 14 June, 12.30 p.m., the Nave

Join us for a joyful celebration of young voices in song, as children from across Gloucestershire join together for a world-premiere performance of a special new commission.

This concert will celebrate the work of Gloucester Cathedral's new Singing Academy, which strives to nurture young voices through a range of inclusive, high-quality musical opportunities rooted in the Cathedral's long musical tradition.

Lin Marsh's *A Gloucestershire Cantata* explore places, landmarks and events associated with the county.

Free tickets available from <https://gloucestercathedral.artsvp.com/999d89>

Ecumenical Service: for the healing of the nations

Saturday 20 June, 11.00 a.m. in the Nave

Join Christians from across the city as we pray for the healing of the nations, our city and ourselves. There will be an opportunity to receive anointing and prayer for healing. All are warmly welcome.

Children's Service

Saturday 27 June, 10.15 a.m. in the Lady Chapel

Join us for this month's Children's Service, led by our Junior Choir. This service is aimed at families with young children. This service offers inclusive worship with engaging music and activities for children of all ages. It strengthens community bonds while giving young singers valuable performance opportunities.

The Reverend Sister Debbie's Priesting and First Eucharist

Saturday 27 June, 3.00 p.m. and Sunday 28 June, 3.00 p.m.

Our curate The Reverend Sister Debbie is looking forward to her ordination to the priesthood and the Eucharist at which she will be presiding for the first time. All are warmly welcome at either or both services.

Cathedral Community Coffee Morning

Wednesday 1 July, 10.30–11.30 a.m., Monk's Kitchen

All welcome for coffee and friendly conversation. Contact Barbara Merrick on 01452 504376 or congregation@gloucestercathedral.org.uk

Dedication of the Grand Organ

Sunday 5 July, 3.00 p.m.

Our wonderful new organ is very nearly complete. Join us at this special Evensong to hear it in full voice as Bishop Rachel dedicates it to the glory of God.

Prayers for Peace and Justice

Tuesday 7 July, 12.00 noon, Lady Chapel and WhatsApp

Twenty minutes of spoken and silent prayer for issues of peace and justice. The principal focus will be justice for all humanity everywhere as World Day of International Justice falls on Friday 17 July. To join using WhatsApp email reception@gloucestercathedral.org.uk with your mobile phone number and, to submit a prayer, email clergy@gloucestercathedral.org.uk

Cathedral Book Club

Monday 13 July, 2.00 p.m.–3.00 p.m., Laud Room

This month we will meet for a discussion of *Small Things Like These* by Claire Keegan.

Sip and Study: Cathedral Lectio Group

Tuesday 14 July, 2.30 p.m.–3.45 p.m., Prinknash Abbey

Join our monthly gathering using Lectio Divina to reflect on Scripture. Arrive any time from 1.00 p.m. for lunch, coffee or cake. No previous experience needed. Contact Dorothy Marshall congregation@gloucestercathedral.org.uk

Opening Organ Recital given by Wayne Marshall

Saturday 18 July, 7.00 p.m.

We are honoured to welcome the internationally acclaimed conductor, organist and pianist Wayne Marshall OBE to Gloucester Cathedral for a special recital marking the unveiling of the Cathedral's magnificent new organ. Renowned worldwide for his virtuosity, versatility and electrifying musicianship, Wayne brings a global reputation and exceptional artistry to this landmark moment in the Cathedral's musical life. Tickets are selling fast: <https://gloucestercathedral.artsvp.com/9d272c>

