

# **LINCOLN CATHEDRAL**

Yesterday, Today, Forever  
Enduring faith, inspiring stories, living history.



## **THE ORDER FOR SUNG EUCHARIST DURING THE CHRISTMAS AND EPIPHANY SEASONS**

# WELCOME TO LINCOLN CATHEDRAL

This service, and the other sung services during the week, are available online and we welcome all those both near and far joining our worship as it is live streamed at: <https://www.facebook.com/Lincoln.Cathedral>

Any indications for sitting, kneeling or standing are given for guidance. If you need to sit at any point during the service, please feel free to do so.

*All baptised Christians who usually receive communion are invited to do so. Please follow the directions of the stewards. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please carry this service booklet as a signal to the priest.*

*A few moments before the service is due to begin, the President welcomes the congregation and gives out any particular notices for the day. After this, all say the following prayer:*

All  
Most merciful God,  
your love compels us to come in.  
Our hands were unclean, our hearts were unprepared;  
we were not fit even to eat the crumbs from under  
your table.  
But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation,  
and share your bread with sinners.  
So cleanse and feed us  
with the precious body and blood of your Son,  
that he may live in us and we in him,  
and that we, with the whole company of Christ,  
may sit and eat in your kingdom. Amen.

*After this prayer we keep silence together*

# The Gathering

*The choir sing the Introit, after which please stand to sing the **Processional Hymn** during which the clergy enter and the altar is censed.*

## GREETING

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

*All* **Amen.**

*President* Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

*All* **and also with you.**

## PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

*The President invites the people to confess their sins.*

The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own.

Let us confess our sins

Silence.

Lord Jesus, you are mighty God and Prince of peace:

Lord, have mercy

*All* **Lord, have mercy**

Lord Jesus, you are Son of God and Son of Mary:

Christ, have mercy

*All* **Christ, have mercy**

Lord Jesus, you are the Word made flesh:

Lord, have mercy

*All* **Lord, have mercy**

*President* May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord

*All* **Amen.**

## GLORIA *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.	We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory.
Domine Deus, Rex caelstis, Deus Pater omnipotens.	O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty.
Domine Fili unigenite, Iesu Christe, Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis; qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram; qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, 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. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
Quoniam tu solus sanctus, tu solus Dominus, tu solus Altissimus, Iesu 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 the Most High, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## COLLECT

*President*      Let us pray

*After silent prayer the president prays the Collect prayer for the day, which ends*  
*...one God, now and for ever.*

*All*      **Amen.**

# The Liturgy of the Word

*Sit*

## FIRST READING

*At the end of which the reader says*

This is the word of the Lord

**All      Thanks be to God.**

## GRADUAL

*A psalm is sung by the choir.*

## SECOND READING

*At the end which the reader says*

This is the word of the Lord

**All      Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

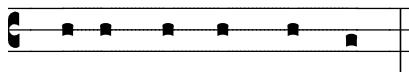
*Please see the weekly sheet for details of the **Gospel Acclamation**.*

## GOSPEL READING

*Gospeller      The Lord be with you*

**All      and also with you.**

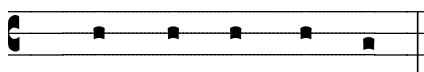
*Gospeller      Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to N.*



**All      Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the end of the Gospel the reader says*

**This is the Gospel of the Lord.**



**All      Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Sit*

## SERMON

*After the sermon silence is kept for a few moments.*

*Stand*

## THE NICENE CREED

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.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*During these, the following, or similar, responses may be used.*

Reader      Lord, hear us.

All            **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Reader      Lord, in your mercy

All            **hear our prayer.**

*At the conclusion of the intercessions the intercessor says a prayer or the following*

Merciful Father,

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

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

*Stand*

### THE PEACE

*The President introduces the Peace with this or another sentence.*

Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace. Of the increase  
of his government and of peace there shall be no end

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All            **and also with you.**

*During the preparation of the table the congregation join in singing the **Offertory Hymn**. Once the altar is prepared it is censed.*

### PRAYER AT THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

Let us pray.

Gracious God, accept the offering of your Church,  
the hearts of your people  
joined in praise and thanksgiving, in the name of Jesus  
Christ our Lord.

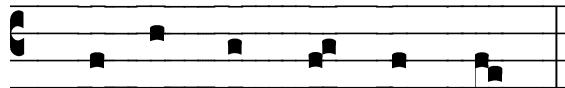
All            **Amen.**

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER



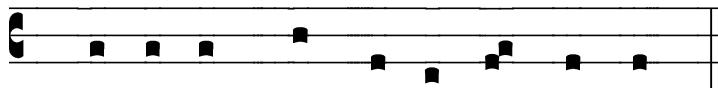
President The Lord be with you.

All and al-so with you.

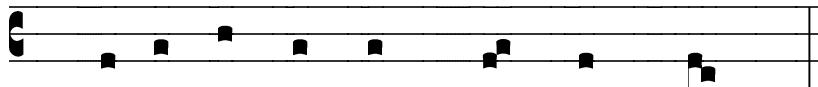


President Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.



President Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



All It is right to give thanks and praise.

*The president praises God for his mighty acts,  
and the choir sings the Sanctus & Benedictus*

*Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus*

Holy, holy, holy,

*Dominus Deus Sabaoth.*

Lord God of hosts.

*Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.*

heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

*Hosanna in excelsis.*

Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.

*Benedictus qui venit*

Blessed is he that cometh

*in nomine Domini.*

in the name of the Lord.

*Hosanna in excelsis.*

Hosanna in the highest.

*The president recalls the Last Supper, and this acclamation is sung*

Great is the mystery of faith:



Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a-gain.

*The Prayer continues and leads into the doxology, which ends  
...for ever and ever.*



*All*                   **A - men.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*President*   Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour taught us  
*All*                   **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

*President*   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.**

## THE GIVING OF COMMUNION

*The President invites the people to receive 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.**

*President* If you are worshipping with us online, you are invited to make your spiritual communion, praying that by God's grace, united with all the baptised and with Christ who gave his life for us, you may be filled with his indwelling presence.

### ***Act of Spiritual Reception to say at home:***

O loving God, in union with Christian people throughout the world and across the centuries gathered to make Eucharist, hearing your holy Word and receiving the Precious Body and Blood of your dear Son, I offer you praise and thanksgiving. Even though I am exiled from tasting the Bread of Heaven and drinking the Cup of Life I pray that you will unite me with all the baptised and with your Son who gave his life for us. Come Lord Jesus, dwell in me and send your Holy Spirit that I may be filled with your presence. Amen.

*After receiving communion, the choir sings the Agnus Dei*

<i>Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi</i>	<i>O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.</i>
<i>miserere nobis</i>	
<i>Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi</i>	<i>O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.</i>
<i>miserere nobis</i>	
<i>Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi</i>	<i>O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: grant us thy peace.</i>
<i>dona nobis pacem.</i>	

*All baptised Christians who usually receive communion are invited to do so. Please follow the directions of the stewards. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please carry this service booklet as a signal to the priest.*

*Further anthems may be sung during the distribution of communion.*

## PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

*After a time of silence, all stand and the president prays the Post Communion, after which all join in praying:*

**We thank you Lord, that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet prepared for all peoples.**

**Amen.**

*The congregation join in singing the Post-communion hymn.*

## The Dismissal

*President*      The Lord be with you

*All*                **and also with you**

*President*      Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

*All*                **Amen.**

*Gospeller*       Go in the light and peace of Christ.

*All*                **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as the choir and ministers process out of St Hugh's Choir. As they process out of St Hugh's Choir the choir sing Psalm 150.*

## ORGAN POSTLUDE

*You are warmly invited to join us for coffee in the Chapter House. If you are a newcomer or visitor, please make yourself known to one of the clergy or stewards.*

*Acknowledgements*

Common Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England, *material from which is included in this service, is copyright © The Archbishops' Council 2000.*