

The Chapter Letter



SUNDAY 14 APRIL – SUNDAY 28 APRIL

‘Happy Easter, and a Merry Christmas?’

As we continue to celebrate the season of Eastertide, and the joy of knowing the transforming power of God’s love that is revealed on the Cross and through the Empty Tomb, this week also saw us mark the feast of the Annunciation – the first of the cycle of feasts that will lead us to Christmas. This coincidence of feasts highlights two essential truths of the Christian faith – the truths of the incarnation and resurrection. We believe that God, who is eternal and cannot be constrained in time and place, becomes known to us through the incarnation and reveals to us something of the wonder and beauty of eternity through the triumph of the resurrection.

This is a reminder to us of the way that the Christian faith draws our hearts and minds to the mystery and wonder of God (through the Resurrection of Christ) whilst keeping us grounded firmly on earth (through the Incarnation of Christ). One of the key roles of the cathedral is to provide a holy place where people can approach God on their own terms – experiencing something of eternity here on earth and being encouraged to reflect more deeply on how their lives might be shaped by the eternal nature of God, so that heaven can be known here on earth. Throughout the cathedral, we all play a role in this work of engagement and encouragement – whether directly through prayer, worship, welcome and education, or less directly through the tasks of maintaining the building as a holy place or supporting its life in the many ways that are essential but often unseen.

As we continue to journey together through this Eastertide, let it be our prayer that we allow our hearts to be touched by the wonder and beauty of God’s eternal presence – made possible through the self-giving gift of the incarnation and made fully known through the sacrifice of the Cross and the life-giving glimpse of eternity in the Empty Tomb.

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BIBLE READINGS

Sunday 14 April
Third Sunday of Easter

Eucharist
Acts 3.12-19
1 John 3.1-7 Luke
24.36b-48

Evening Prayer
Deuteronomy 7.7-13
Revelation 2.1-11

Sunday 21 April
*Fourth Sunday of
Easter*

Eucharist
Acts 4.5-12
1 John 3.16-end
John 10.11-18

Evening Prayer
Exodus 16.4-15
Revelation 2.12-17

Sunday 28 April
Fifth Sunday of Easter

Eucharist
Acts 8.26-end
1 John 4.7-end
John 15.1-8

Evening Prayer
Isaiah 60.1-14
Revelation 3.1-13

Worship & Mission

Weekly service schedule

Details of services and music can be viewed on the cathedral website. [Click here to visit.](#)

Special Services

Sun 21 April, 1pm

Lincoln Scouts St George's Day Parade

Tue 23 April, 5.30pm

Festal Evensong for George, Martyr

Thur 25 April, 5.30pm

Festal Evensong for Mark

Tue 30 April, 5.30pm

Festal Evensong for Philip and James

Thur 9 May, Ascension Day

7am - Morning Eucharist for Ascension Day, followed by breakfast

5.30pm - Festal Evensong for Ascension Day

7.30pm - Festal Eucharist for Ascension Day

Tue 14 May, 5.30pm

Festal Evensong for Matthias the Apostle

Sun 19 May, Pentecost

10.30am - Festal Eucharist for Pentecost (Whitsun)

3.45pm - Festal Evensong for Pentecost (Whitsun) and

LCCA Tea

After hours: Reflective Worship

6.45pm, once a month on a Sunday

21 April - Completing the day: Easter reflections ending with Compline sung by the Cathedral Consort

19 May - Sacred Space

Each of these occasions seeks to provide a gentle and reflective space with time to wonder, and the chance to experience the unique and serene atmosphere of the Cathedral as the day draws to a close.

Stillpoint

This is a time of guided silent prayer to be still and aware of the presence of God. We meet in the Ringers Chapel from 8.45am to 9.15am on the following

Mondays:

6 May

3 June

Community

LCCA Pentecost Sunday Cake in the Cloisters

The Lincoln Cathedral Community Association invites you to celebrate Pentecost Sunday with Cake in the Cloisters after Evensong on Sunday 19 May. You can reserve your place at £5 per head by either adding your name to our guest list during refreshments after the Sunday morning Eucharist or by emailing Andrea, LCCA secretary at lcca@lincolncathedral.com

All proceeds will go to one of our nominated charities. If you would like to donate a cake to maximise proceeds, please talk to one of the committee or email as above.

Events

G F Handel's Saul

Saturday 20 April, 7.30pm

Join us as Lincoln Choral Society and Musica Donum Dei perform G F Handel's 'Saul'.

'Saul' is a dramatic retelling of the events in the life of Saul, King of Israel, and David, the man who would succeed him. It's a tale of betrayal, war and violence, pride and envy, discord and harmony, love and hate.

Academy of St Martin in the Fields - Celebrating Neville Marriner

Wednesday 24 April, 7.30pm

Join the world-renowned orchestra, the Academy of St Martin in the Fields as they celebrate the centenary of its founder - Lincoln-born violinist and conductor Sir Neville Marriner - with a concert of music in the stunning surroundings of Lincoln Cathedral.

With a programme featuring some of the world's best-loved classical music, this is sure to be a performance you won't want to miss.

The Beatles by Candlelight

Friday 3 May, 7.30pm

Featuring a cast of West End Singers and epic live band, 'Come Together' for a 'Magical Mystery Tour', jam packed with over 40 Beatles hits as you have never heard them before!

This incredible show features best loved songs including 'Help!', 'Hey Jude', 'Let it Be', 'All You Need Is Love', 'Yesterday' and many more, performed at the beautiful Lincoln Cathedral by Candlelight.

Elton John by Candlelight

Saturday 4 May, 7.30pm

Featuring a cast of West End singers and epic live band, experience the hits of Rock Legend Elton John as you have never heard them before!

This incredible show features some of the most iconic songs of all time including 'I'm Still Standing', 'Goodbye Yellow Brick Road', 'Candle in the Wind', 'Bennie and the Jets' and many more performed at Lincoln Cathedral by candlelight.

Festival of Music - A concert by the Band of the Royal Air Force College

Saturday 11 May, 7.30pm

Join us for a special concert performed by the band of the Royal Air Force College to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the RAF Music Charitable Trust.

With music from throughout the years including well-known tunes, you're sure to have a night like no other!

For more details of forthcoming events and to book your tickets, go to our website at www.lincolncathedral.com/events