

The Chapter Letter



SUNDAY 15 SEPTEMBER - SUNDAY 29 SEPTEMBER

This weekend, we celebrate the installation of the Very Revd Dr Simon Jones as the next Dean of Lincoln. It will be a joy and a delight to welcome Simon and Darren back as a part of the Cathedral community and I know many of us have been looking forward to this weekend for many months. It will be the start of a new chapter in the life of the Cathedral, as Simon brings his many gifts and talents to the challenging role of leading Lincoln Cathedral into the future.

Important as a Dean is, however, the flourishing of our Cathedral community is built on many people, each contributing in their own way to our life together. Christ calls us to a common life, and that common life is built up of everything from coffee making, flower arranging, stewarding, sitting on committees, managing budgets and rotas, and welcoming school groups. All these tasks, and many more, are filled by willing volunteers, committed to living and sharing God's love and welcome with those around us. Our community is what it is because of each of you, and all that you offer in ways large and small.

As such, it is no surprise that one of Simon's first priorities is to meet people to say thank you. On Thursday 19 September, all those who work and volunteer for the Cathedral are invited to attend Evensong and refreshments afterwards, as an appreciation of all you do. We are aware that email distribution isn't always perfect, so if you volunteer your time in any way and haven't yet received an invitation, please contact your volunteer team leader to register your attendance.

Thank you, for all you do. Together we are Christ's love in the world.

ROWENA KING, CANON MISSIONER

BIBLE READINGS

Sunday 15 September
Sixteenth Sunday After Trinity

Eucharist
Isaiah 50.4-9a
James 3.1-12
Mark 8.27-end

Evening Prayer
Exodus 18.13-26
Matthew 7.1-14

Sunday 22 September
Seventeenth Sunday After Trinity

Eucharist
Wisdom 1.16-2.1, 12-22
James 3.13-4.3, 7-8a
Mark 9.30-37

Evening Prayer
Exodus 19.10-end
Matthew 8.23-end

Sunday 29 September
Michael and All Angels

Eucharist
Genesis 28.10-17
Revelation 12.7-12
John 1.47-end

Evening Prayer
Daniel 10.4-end
Revelation 5

Worship & Mission

Weekly service schedule

Details of services and music can be viewed on the Cathedral's website. [Click here for more information](#) or visit: www.lincolncathedral.com/orders-of-service/

Special Services

Sunday 15 September, 3pm

Battle of Britain Memorial Service

Saturday 21 September, 5.30pm

Festal Evensong for St Matthew

Saturday 28 September

9.30am - Eucharist at the beginning of the new Triennium of the Diocesan Synod

3pm - Sung Eucharist to mark the 30th anniversary of women to the priesthood

Sunday 29 September, 3.45pm

Festal Evensong for St Michael and All Angels, attended by former students marking the 150th Anniversary of the Bishop's Hostel (Lincoln Theological College)

After hours: Reflective Worship

6.45pm, once a month on a Sunday

15 September - Join us at After Hours for an Agape (shared meal) at the Table for the Nation under the Peace Doves installation. The evening will begin with a short reflective liturgy, after which we will continue with refreshments and conversation around the table.

Please bring some food to share

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: **7 October**

Choral Mattins during the Autumn Term

Our Choral Mattins services will return for the autumn term on the following dates: **22 September, 13 October, 17 November, and 8 December.**

Community

LCCA Harvest Supper

The LCCA invites you to their annual Harvest Supper on Friday 18 October in the Chapter House. We ask that you join us at 6.30pm ready for 7pm when you can enjoy a 2-course meal with entertainment. Tickets are £20 and are available after Sunday morning Eucharist or by emailing lcca@lincolncathedral.com.

Note: Please make sure to inform us if you require a vegetarian/vegan option and if you have any food allergies when you buy your tickets. Please bring your own choice of drinks and donations of non-perishable foodstuffs for the local food bank.

LCCA Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Lincoln Cathedral Community Association will take place on Monday 25 November in the Chapter House at 7pm with refreshments available from 6.30pm.

We hope that as many LCCA members as possible will attend to show your support for your cathedral community.

Make your voice heard in the INEQE Independent Safeguarding Audit

INEQE Safeguarding Group has been commissioned to conduct Independent Safeguarding Audits of the Church of England to make sure dioceses and cathedrals are doing all they can to create environments where everyone feels safe, valued and respected. Lincoln Cathedral and the Diocese of Lincoln are currently taking part in this process.

As part of the audit, INEQE wants to engage with those who visit, attend services or worship at the Cathedral through an online survey, and encourage you to share your views and experiences.

INEQE's audit team receive each anonymous result directly - not by the Church of England or the Cathedral directly. The survey is now live and will close at 11.30 pm on Wednesday 25th September 2024.

To access the survey please scan the QR code below or visit: <https://ineqe.com/churchofengland/lincoln/>



Events

Grand Organ Festival 2024 - Ben Bloor

Monday 16 September, 7pm

Join us for the second recital of our Grand Organ Festival with Ben Bloor!

Ben is the Organist of the London Oratory Church where he accompanies the professional adult choir for weekly Mass and Vespers and oversees the famous Downes/Walker organ.

Peace Doves at Lincoln Cathedral

Wednesday 18 September, 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Join us in the unique atmosphere of Lincoln Cathedral after hours and experience the stunning Peace Doves sculpture by Peter Walker.

This mass-participation artwork is created from more than 10,000 paper doves, each featuring a message of peace, love and joy. It will be illuminated to add to its inspiring presence and will be accompanied by a specially composed soundtrack.

Entry to the late-night opening is by donation.

Illustrated talk - The Table for the Nation with Hamish Low

Thursday 26 September, 6.45pm

Join us for an Illustrated talk on The Table for the Nation.

Hamish Low, founder of the Fenland Black Oak Project will guide you through the history of the Table for the Nation, and how a 5,000-year-old Fenland Black Oak was transformed into a spectacular 13-metre-long table.

As part of the evening, you'll have the opportunity to view the table up close and ask questions over a glass of wine.

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