

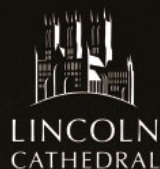
# Lincoln Cathedral



## **Choral Evensong** for the Festival of Chaplaincy

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2025  
3.45 pm

SAT 5 APR 2025, 7PM  
LINCOLN CATHEDRAL



Our  
music:  
God's Song

# BACH ST JOHN PASSION

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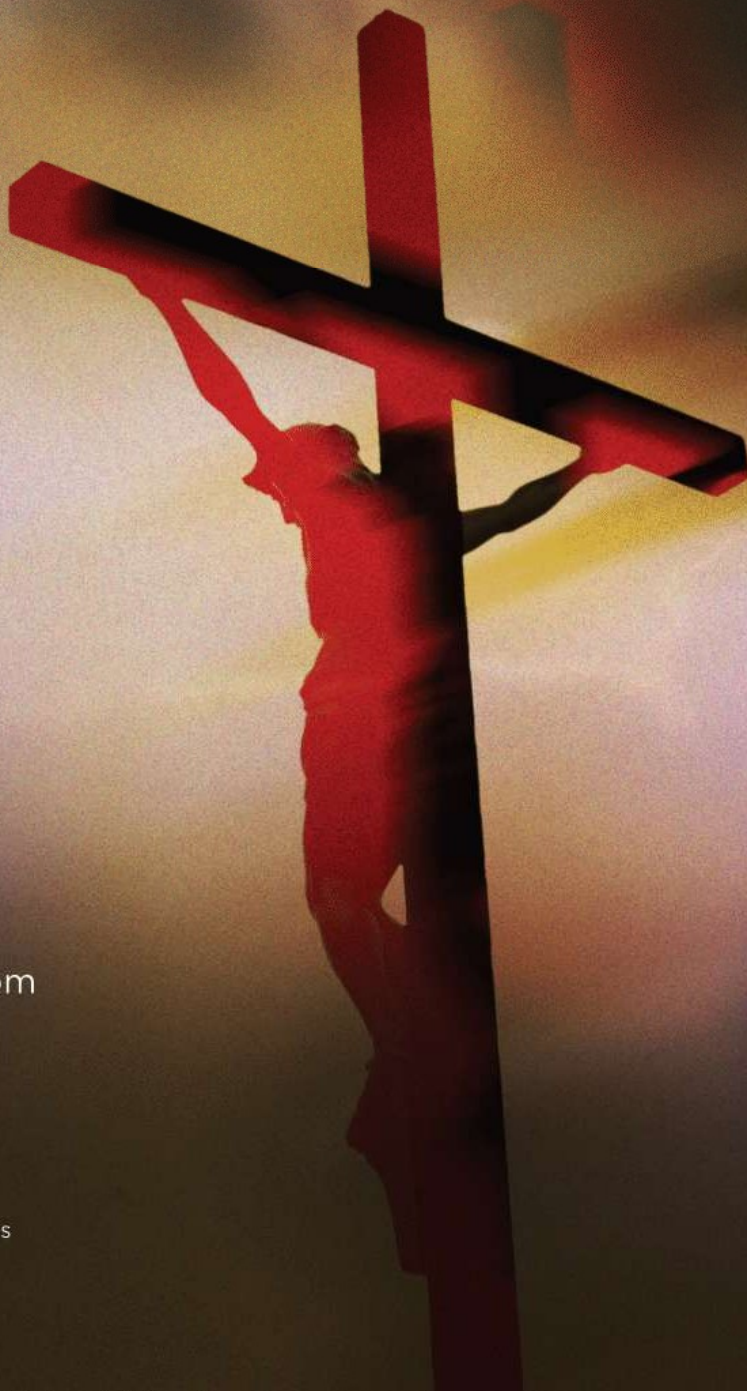
Performed by Lincoln Cathedral  
Choir accompanied by  
Manchester Baroque.

CHRISTUS Johannes Moore  
EVANGELIST Mark Wilde

JS Bach's most famous piece of  
sacred music, telling the biblical  
story of Jesus' crucifixion.

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# The Office of Evensong

## INTROIT

Prevent us, O Lord *Byrd*

*At 5 30pm the cathedral choir sings the introit from under the central tower.*

*Please stand for the cathedral procession as it enters St Hugh's Choir.*

## PRECES

*Byrd*

*The service is introduced by the canon-in-residence.*

## HYMN

**Love Divine, all loves excelling, (NEH 408)  
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,  
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
All thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, 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 life 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: John Henry Newman (1801-90)*

*Music: J. B. Dykes (1823-76)*

*Sit*

PSALMODY

Psalms 12 and 13

*Please stand for the 'Glory be to the Father' at the end of the second psalm.*

*Sit*

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 22.1-9, 13-17

*Stand*

MAGNIFICAT

*Edwards in C# minor*

*Sit*

SECOND LESSON

Luke 14.27-33

*Stand*

NUNC DIMITTIS

*Edwards in C# minor*

APOSTLES' CREED

*All*

I believe in God

**the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth:**

**and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,**

**who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,**

**born of the Virgin Mary,**

**suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, dead, and buried.**

**He descended into hell;**

**the third day he rose again from the dead;**

**he ascended into heaven,**

**and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty;**

**from thence he shall come to judge the quick**

**and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost;**

**the holy catholic Church;**

**the communion of saints;**

**the forgiveness of sins;**

**the resurrection of the body,**

**and the life everlasting.**

**Amen.**

## RESPONSES

*Byrd*

*Please kneel or sit after the cantor has sung the words 'Let us pray'.*

*Sit*

## ANTHEM

Hear my prayer *Mendelssohn*

*Kneel*

## PRAYERS

*The prayers are led by the canon-in-residence and conclude with petitions for the Bishop and parishes of the Diocese of Lincoln, and for present and past members of the Cathedral Foundation.*

*After the prayers of intercession all say together*

*All*        **The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost,  
be with us all evermore.  
Amen.**

*Stand*

## HYMN

**Brother, sister let me serve you.  
Let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I may have the grace to  
let you be my servant too.**

**We are pilgrims on a journey,  
and companions on the road;  
we are here to help each other  
walk the mile and bear the load.**

**I will hold the Christ-light for you  
in the night-time of your fear;  
I will hold my hand out to you,  
speak the peace you long to hear.**

**I will weep when you are weeping;  
when you laugh I'll laugh with you;  
I will share your joy and sorrow  
till we've seen this journey through.**

**When we sing to God in heaven  
we shall find such harmony,  
born of all we've known together  
of Christ's love and agony.**

**Brother, sister let me serve you.  
Let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I may have the grace to  
let you be my servant too.**

*Words and music: Richard Gillard*

*Sit*

**SERMON**            The Venerable Dr Giles Legood, Prebendary of  
St Botolph and Chaplain-in-chief of the Royal Air Force

*Stand*

**HYMN**

*During this hymn, a collection will be taken to support the life, work and ministry  
of this Cathedral. You can donate using cash or by the QR code on the next page.*

**There's a wideness in God's mercy  
Like the wideness of the sea;  
There's a kindness in his justice  
Which is more than liberty.  
There is no place where earth's sorrows  
Are more felt than up in heaven;  
There is no place where earth's failings  
Have such kindly judgement given.**

**For the love of God is broader  
Than the measure of man's mind;  
And the heart of the Eternal  
Is most wonderfully kind.  
But we make his love too narrow  
By false limits of our own;  
And we magnify his strictness  
With a zeal he will not own.**

**There is plentiful redemption  
In the blood that has been shed;  
There is joy for all the members  
In the sorrows of the Head.  
There is grace enough for thousands  
Of new worlds as great as this;  
There is room for fresh creations  
In that upper home of bliss.**

**If our love were but more simple,  
We should take him at his word;  
And our lives would be all gladness  
In the joy of Christ our Lord.**

*Words: F. W. Faber  
Music: Maurice Bevan*

## **BLESSING**

*The Bishop gives the blessing, to which all respond*

*All*            **Amen.**

## **CONCLUDING VOLUNTARY**

**Please donate to support the ministry of Lincoln Cathedral.  
Your generosity enables God's praises to continue to be sung, and  
the cathedral to continue to be a place of peace and sanctuary.**

**Thank you.**

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