



**DURHAM  
CATHEDRAL**

THE SHRINE OF ST CUTHBERT

**Sung Eucharist**  
**on The Feast of Christ the King**  
*Joseph Rheinberger: Mass in E flat*

Sunday 22 November 2020

9.30 a.m.

## **WELCOME**

We very much regret that we have had to suspend congregational worship again during this lockdown but we are glad that we are still able to engage with everyone via our online worship. Please be assured of our thoughts and prayers at this time.

# The Gathering

**Voluntary**      Largo from Trio Sonata No. 2 BWV 526

*J. S. Bach*

*Stand at the entry of the choir and clergy*

## The Greeting

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

**All**              **Amen.**

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

*The President welcomes the congregation*

## Prayers of Penitence

Jesus says,  
'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'  
So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ,  
confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

*Silence*

**All**              **Most merciful God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned  
in thought, word and deed.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
In your mercy forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be;  
that we may do justly, love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

President      Almighty God,  
who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom  
that cannot be destroyed,  
forgive you your sins,  
open your eyes to God's truth,  
strengthen you to do God's will  
and give you the joy of his kingdom,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All              **Amen.**

**Gloria in excelsis**

*sung by the choir*

Gloria in excelsis Deo.  
Et in terra pax hominibus  
bonae voluntatis.  
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,  
adoramus te, glorificamus te.  
Gratias agimus tibi  
propter magnam gloriam tuam.  
Domine Deus, Rex caelestis,  
Deus Pater omnipotens.  
Domine Fili unigenite,  
Jesu 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.  
Quoniam tu solus sanctus,  
tu solus Dominus,  
tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe,  
cum Sancto Spiritu  
in gloria Dei Patris.  
Amen.

*Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.*

*Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you,  
we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.*

*Lord Jesus Christ,  
only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of  
the Father:  
receive our prayer.*

*For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.*

## The Collect

President      Let us pray.

*Silence is kept*

Eternal Father,  
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven  
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:  
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit  
and in the bond of peace,  
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

All              **Amen.**

*Sit*

## The Liturgy of the Word

**First Reading**

**Ephesians 1. 15-end**

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

For the Word of the Lord:

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

*Stand*

**Gospel Reading**

**Matthew 25. 31-end**

Choir                    Alleluia, alleluia.  
Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heaven. Alleluia.

Minister                The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Matthew.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said, 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not

give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.” Then they also will answer, “Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?” Then he will answer them, “Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.” And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The organ sounds*

**Sermon**

The Reverend Canon Charlie Allen

*Silence is kept*

*Stand*

**The 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**

President      Let us with confidence present our prayers and supplications to the throne of grace.

Minister      We pray for all those in positions of power, that they may govern with wisdom and integrity, serving the needs of their people.

May your reign come;  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for the Church, the sign of your reign, that it may extend your welcome to people of every race and background.

May your kingdom come;  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for Christians of every denomination, that together we may come to understand the royal priesthood you bestowed on us in baptism.

May your dominion come;  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for those whose commitment to truth brings them into conflict with earthly powers, that they may have the courage to endure.

May your rule come;  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for this community of faith,  
that attentive to your word  
we may always worship in spirit and in truth.

May your reign come;  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

President      Loving God,  
you have taught us that the power of the heart  
is greater than the power of wealth and might.  
Hear us as we pray for the fulfilment of your reign.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ our King;  
to him be glory and power for ever.  
**Amen.**

*Stand*

## **The Liturgy of the Eucharist**

### **The Peace**

President      To crown all things there must be love,  
to bind all together and complete the whole.  
Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

**All**              The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

*Please refrain from physically sharing the Peace but, instead, make a verbal greeting to those near you*

**Anthem**            O Rex gloriae

*O King of glory, Lord of all power,  
Who ascended to heaven on this day triumphant over all;  
Do not leave us as orphans,  
But send us the Father's promise,  
The spirit of truth.  
Alleluia.*

*Antiphon to the Magnificat  
for the Second Vespers at Ascension*

*Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina*

### **Taking of the Bread and Wine**

President            Blessed be God  
                          who enthrones us with Christ in the heavenly realms.  
                          May we feed upon the bread of God  
                          and drink the royal wine of heaven.

**All**                    **Amen.**

*Stand*

### **Eucharistic Prayer B**

President            The Lord be with you  
**All**                    **and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

President            It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
                          always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
                          holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For with the oil of gladness  
you have anointed Christ the Lord, your only Son,  
to be our great high priest and king of all creation.  
As priest, he offered himself once for all  
upon the altar of the cross  
and redeemed the human race  
by this perfect sacrifice of peace.  
As king he claims dominion over all your creatures,  
that he may bring before your infinite majesty  
a kingdom of truth and life,  
a kingdom of holiness and grace,  
a kingdom of justice, love and peace.  
And so with angels and archangels  
and all the heavenly host,  
we proclaim your glory  
and join their unending hymn of praise:

Choir	Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Osanna in excelsis.	<i>Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.</i>
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President      Lord, you are holy indeed,  
the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy will,  
these gifts of bread and wine may be to us  
the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;  
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.

**All** Great is the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made once  
for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.  
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup  
and we thank you for counting us worthy  
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people  
and gather into one in your kingdom  
all who share this one bread and one cup,  
so that we, in the company of all the saints,  
may praise and glorify you for ever,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord;  
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

President      Let us pray for the coming of God's kingdom  
in the words 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.**

## Giving of Communion

President      God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

All              **Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord,**  
**to the glory of God the Father.**

## Agnus Dei

*sung by the choir*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.*

## **Prayer after Communion**

*Stand*

President      Let us pray.

Stir up, O Lord,  
the wills of your faithful people;  
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,  
may by you be plenteously rewarded;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

All              **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 Dismissal**

President      Christ our King make you faithful and strong to do his will,  
that you may reign with him in glory;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

Choir            Go in the peace of Christ.  
Thanks be to God.

**Voluntary**      Praeludium in G

*Nicolaus Bruhns*

*Morning Prayer is said in the Shrine of St Cuthbert during the week at 8.30 a.m. and Evening Prayer is said in the Nave on Monday and sung from Tuesday to Saturday at 5.15 p.m. These services are not open to the public although they will be live-streamed online.*

*Please use the 'Daily Prayer' app on your own devices at these services or use your own prayer book and Bible. Thank you.*

*This afternoon at 3.30 p.m., we commemorate the Founders and Benefactors of the Cathedral, City and University and the wider region of the North East in a special service with the Cathedral Choir at which the Lord Lieutenant and Mayor of Durham will read lessons and the Address will be given by the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Durham, Professor Stuart Corbridge.*

*A special service led by the Bishop of Durham and featuring the Cathedral Choir is streaming on the Church of England Facebook page and YouTube channel today. 'Learning in Faith: A Service for Christ the King' is part of the weekly provision of a national online service by the Church of England. It was filmed in Durham Cathedral last week and features young people in education talking about their faith and the Archbishops' Call to Prayer for the nation at this time of lockdown.*

*On Saturday 28 November at 6.00 p.m., a pre-recorded Advent Procession will be broadcast on the Cathedral's Facebook page. Do join us for this moving and inspiring start to the Advent season. The service will remain available to view for a period of time following.*

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