



**Truro
Cathedral**
sacred space, common ground

Sunday 27th July
6th Sunday after Trinity

Worship in Truro Cathedral today

08:00 BCP Holy Communion – Revd Andrew Yates

10:00 Choral Eucharist – President Revd Keiren Marwood

Preacher Revd Jeff James

16:00 Choral Evensong – Revd Keiren Marwood

10:00am Hymns for this morning's service

393 Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us

357 Father, hear the prayer we offer

494 Christ is the world's true light

Music at the 10:00am Choral Eucharist sung by Peterborough Chamber Choir

Introit	Sacerdotes Domini	<i>Byrd</i>
Setting	Missa Aedis Christi	<i>Howells</i>
Motet	Ave Maria	<i>Elgar</i>

Music at the 4pm Choral Evensong sung by Peterborough Chamber Choir

Responses	<i>Shephard</i>	Hymn 285, 368
Canticles	<i>Sieling</i> in B major	Psalm 88
Anthem	O God enfold me in the sun	<i>Leighton</i>

Collect

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Genesis 18: 20-32: Then the Lord said, 'How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know.' So the men turned from there, and went towards Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Then Abraham came near and said, 'Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the

place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?' And the Lord said, 'If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake.' Abraham answered, 'Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?' And he said, 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.' Again he spoke to him, 'Suppose forty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of forty I will not do it.' Then he said, 'Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there.' He answered, 'I will not do it, if I find thirty there.' He said, 'Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.' Then he said, 'Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.'

Psalm 138: 1-6

Alan Rees

Response

v. 5b Great is the glo - ry, the glo - ry of the Lord.



to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it. Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

Gospel Reading: Luke 11: 1-13: He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.' And he said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him." And he answers from within, "Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything." I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. 'So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

Post Communion Prayer

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

This week we are praying for: Philip Sharp, Jo, May Kincaid, Fiona Davie, Elliott Wills, Lynda Rodgett, Mary Prior, Samantha Holland, Alison Jones, Jocelyn Latarche, Keith Halstead, Zena Cotterill, Ava.

For those who have died, Rosemary Radcliffe, Denise Streeter, John Holl.

Next Sunday, 3rd August: 7th Sunday after Trinity

08:00 BCP Holy Communion – Revd Andrew Yates

10:00 Choral Eucharist – President and Preacher Canon Sue Wallace

16:00 Choral Evensong – Canon Sue Wallace,
Preacher Revd Prebendary Gorran Chapman

News, services and notices for the week beginning: 28/7/2025

Monday 28th	9:00 Holy Communion 9:30 Morning Prayer 17:30 Choral Evensong
Tuesday 29th <i>Mary, Martha and Lazarus, companions of Our Lord</i>	9:00 Holy Communion 9:30 Morning Prayer 17:30 Choral Evensong
Wednesday 30th <i>William Wilberforce, social reformer; Olaudah Equiano and Thomas Clarkson, anti-slavery campaigners</i>	9:00 Holy Communion 9:30 Morning Prayer 17:30 Choral Evensong
Thursday 31st <i>Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus</i>	9:00 Holy Communion 9:30 Morning Prayer 12:10 Christian Meditation 16:00 Evening Prayer
Friday 1st August <i>Benedict, abbot</i>	9:00 Holy Communion 9:30 Morning Prayer 9:45 Litany for peace 11:00 BCP Holy Communion 17:30 Choral Evensong
Saturday 2nd	9:00 Holy Communion 9:30 Morning Prayer 16:00 Evening Prayer

New notices this weekend about the life of the cathedral:

The Mission Committee

This is a new committee which focuses on the mission of God in Truro cathedral. We have met once and it was a superb meeting. I started by sharing my personal vision for the cathedral. I then shared my story of faith and we then talked about our faith journeys and why the cathedral is important for us.

The committee has some homework to achieve. I have tasked them with reflecting on how the entrance to the cathedral 'feels' like and what it 'says' to anyone who enters. I have also asked them to consider how different parts of the cathedral invite people into prayer. We are meeting again in August.

How to enter the cathedral for the morning services of Holy communion and morning prayer?

We are trialling a new way for entry into the cathedral for the services of Holy Communion at 09:00am and Morning Prayer at 09:30am. If you wish to attend these services, please use the ramp and the accessible entrance. A member of the team will greet you and direct you to the correct chapel for the services.

The reason that we are making these changes is to ensure that the cathedral truly 'feels at prayer' between 09:00 and 10:00am. The primary purpose of the cathedral is prayer and worship. Nothing is more important than this. We have already stopped deliveries taking place in the cathedral during this first hour of the day. Also, we semi-regularly have tour parties wishing to look around the cathedral whilst these services are taking place which is disruptive to the feeling of worship and prayer. We continue to encourage anyone who comes to the doors of the cathedral to join in the services and often, they do. Praise God! There is new signage directing people to the entrance.

News from the Cathedral Chapter meeting which took place on Wednesday afternoon.

The Cathedral Chapter met on Wednesday afternoon with a full and packed agenda. There were two main items. The first was the 'Annual Meeting' with Bishop David Williams.' The Dean presented his vision for the Cathedral, Bishop David responded and then shared some of his priorities and his positive experience of his cathedral to date. There were questions from the Chapter one of which was about the importance of young people in our cathedral and churches. The second major item was a discussion about the Annual Report and accounts with our auditors. Further work is being undertaken in readiness for signing these accounts by the deadline date of October 31st 2025. A small sub-group of Chapter members are meeting to consider financial priorities that raise income and where possible secure cost savings.

Again, I share this information with you from previous notices:

Are the financial resources of the cathedral a challenge?

Yes, they remain a challenge. The Chapter and team are taking advice and support in finding the correct solutions to this key matter.

What are our sources of income?

- Generous donations eg on the door
- Regular giving eg from the Sunday congregation
- Grants from grant-making bodies, especially private trusts and individuals.
- Collections at services
- Events and venue hire
- Rental Income
- Ticket sales – tours, recitals and concerts
- Fundraising initiatives

Is the cathedral a 'going' concern?

Yes, we are currently a 'going concern.' Our auditors have been working with us on our financial recovery plans.

What do we need to address?

We need to address cash flow, paying off loans and raising income while controlling our costs. We must address the deteriorating condition of our property assets.

The sale of Daniell Road:

Following on from last week's notification concerning cathedral property, this property is now on the open market. It is being marketed with Philip Martin and Co.

Can you help potentially save a life? Please read this notice carefully. (Trigger warning) Please be aware this this is about medical emergency.

Did you know that in the UK there are over 30,000 out-of-hospital cardiac arrests (OHCA) a year where emergency medical services attempt to resuscitate the victim. However, the survival rate is low – less than 1 in 10 people in the UK survive an Out of Hospital Cardiac Arrest (OHCA) (British Heart Foundation information)

Did you know 12 people under the age of 35 die each week from sudden cardiac arrest? 270 children die from sudden cardiac arrest suffered on school premises.

Did you know that of the 30,000 out-of-hospital cardiac arrest, 80 per cent happen at home and another 20 per cent occur in public places where, due to a lack of proximity to defibrillators, the victim is at most risk of death?

Every minute without CPR and defibrillation reduces a victim's survival rate by 6 to 10 per cent: they're that important. Without immediate treatment, 90-95 per cent of cardiac arrests prove fatal.

Importantly, did you know that if a defibrillator is used within 3-5 minutes of cardiac arrest, survival rates jump from 6 per cent to 74 per cent?

Whenever cardiac arrest strikes, there is absolutely no time to lose.

Why am I telling you this? Please help: Our cathedral's defibrillator has become a vital community resource, frequently called into action during medical emergencies in Truro. However, when it is in use elsewhere, we are left without one on-site – a risk we must address.

We are seeking to raise £1,000 to purchase a second defibrillator, ensuring that the cathedral is as equipped as it can be to respond in an emergency.

Please help with this immediate fund-raiser if you can. Please drop by the cathedral office or send an email to info@trurocathedral.org.uk or speak to/email Judith Field JudithField@trurocathedral.org.uk or Sean O'Neill SeanONeill@trurocathedral.org.uk in the cathedral office.

Giving to the Offertory

To give to the Offertory by credit/debit card or Apple/Google pay wallet, please use a donation machine. Alternatively, please use this QR code to give through the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS). UK taxpayers may opt into Gift Aid, boosting the value of their giving by 25%.



Please also consider making a commitment to regular giving through PGS. Thank you.

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