

Sung Eucharist
Sunday 28th November
2021 at 10 am
First Sunday in Advent



Truro
Cathedral

President: Canon Simon
Griffiths
Preacher: Canon Sue
Wallace

From the Canon Precentor

It has been an exhausting week with two Evensongs either having been recorded or broadcast live by BBC Radio 3. Both went extremely well and many thanks to the cathedral choir who worked so hard to ensure that services of an extremely high standard were/will be broadcast - especially as the music was especially challenging! They did us proud! Many thanks also to Paul Drayton who composed a new set of canticles which received their first performance during the broadcast last Wednesday.

After such a momentous few days it is therefore extremely fitting that today we are admitting 4 new choristers to the cathedral choir: Elsie Graham, Imogen Hawkins, Oriana Mossman and Ella Sausby. It is extremely gratifying to know that, despite the dedication and hard work that being a chorister entails, we are blessed with new choristers each year. We ask God's blessing upon them as they begin a new venture in their own lives and continue to make a profound and welcome contribution to our worship and the life of the cathedral.

Advent is the first liturgical season of the Church's year and is divided into two parts. Firstly, according to his promise, we pray for the Parousia, the Second Coming, when Christ shall appear as judge and the Kingdom will come in all its fullness. Then on the 17th, the day we observe as 'O Sapientia' there is a change of gear and we look forward to celebrating the First Coming – the birth of Jesus at a particular time of the world's history. This evening at 6pm there will be the traditional Advent Carol Service which will be held by candlelight. All are welcome, but if you are unable to attend in person, the service will be live streamed.

This week we also welcome our Canon Theologian, Professor Mark Chapman who will deliver a lecture on Thursday at 7.30 pm in the cathedral restaurant entitled 'Does the Church need its liberals anymore?' Entry will be £5 and will include a glass of wine or fruit juice. All welcome. Canon Mark will also be the president and preacher at the Sung Eucharist next Sunday.

Canon Sue Wallace has been with us during the past month and has helped out officiating at services during that time. We welcome her as our preacher this morning. Her time with us sadly comes to an end this week and we wish her a safe journey back home and hope to see her again soon.

Truro Cathedral Lectionaries for the new liturgical year are now available in the cathedral shop for those who would like to purchase one.

Finally, another step towards 'normality' returns next week as we will once again be serving refreshments after the Sung Eucharist. Happy Advent!

Canon Simon.

THIS WEEK

Monday 29th November <i>Day of Intercession for the Missionary Work of the Church</i>	9.00 Holy Communion (St Mary's Aisle) 9.30 Morning Prayer (St Mary's Aisle) 5.30 Evening Prayer (St Mary's Aisle)
Tuesday 30th November ST ANDREW, APOSTLE	9.00 Holy Communion (St Mary's Aisle) 9.30 Morning Prayer (St Mary's Aisle) 5.30 Solemn Evensong (Quire) 7.30 Bellringing Practice
Wednesday 1st December <i>Charles de Foucauld, Hermit in the Sahara, 1916</i>	9.00 Holy Communion (St Mary's Aisle) 9.30 Morning Prayer (St Mary's Aisle) 5.30 Evensong (Quire)
Thursday 2nd December	9.00 Holy Communion (St Mary's Aisle) 9.30 Morning Prayer (St Mary's Aisle) 12.10 Meditation (St Mary's Aisle) 5.30 Evening Prayer (St Mary's Aisle) 7.30 Truro Theological Society Lecture
Friday 3rd December <i>Francis Xavier, Missionary, 1552</i>	9.00 Holy Communion (St Mary's Aisle) 9.30 Morning Prayer (St Mary's Aisle) 11.00 BCP Holy Communion (St Mary's Aisle) 5.30 Evening Prayer (St Mary's Aisle) 7.30 Truro's Christmas Big Sing
Saturday 4th December <i>John of Damascus, Monk, c. 749</i> <i>Nicholas Ferrar, Deacon, 1637</i>	8.00 Holy Communion (St Mary's Aisle) 8.30 Morning Prayer (St Mary's Aisle) 4.00 Evening Prayer (St Mary's Aisle) 7.30 Concert by St Mary's Singers

Next Sunday 5th December: Second Sunday in Advent

7.30 am	Morning Prayer BCP (St Mary's Aisle)
8.00 am	Holy Communion BCP Canon Simon Griffiths, Canon Precentor
10.00 am	Sung Eucharist (Live streamed) President and preacher: The Revd Canon Professor Mark Chapman
12.15 pm	Holy Baptism
4.00 pm	Evensong (Live streamed) Preacher: Canon Alan Bashforth, Canon Chancellor
7.00 pm	Cornwall Hospice Care 'Light up a Life' Service

The Gathering

Please remain seated as the choir sing the Introit.

Introit

'Adam lay ybounded' by Boris Ord (1897 - 1961)

Adam lay ybounden,
Bounden in a bond,
Four thousand winter
Thought he not too long

And all was for an apple,
An apple that he took,
As clerkes finden
Written in their book.

Ne had the apple taken been,
The apple taken been,
Ne had never our Lady
A-been heavene Queen.

Blessed be the time
That apple taken was,
Therefore we moun singen
Deo Gracias!

Words: Anonymous 15th century

Please stand

Hymn

**Hark! A herald voice is calling:
'Christ is nigh,' it seems to say;
'Cast away the dreams of darkness,
O ye children of the day!'**

**Startled at the solemn warning,
Let the earth-bound soul arise;
Christ, her Sun, all sloth dispelling,
Shines upon the morning skies.**

**Lo! The Lamb, so long expected,
Comes with pardon down from heaven;
Let us haste, with tears of sorrow,
One and all to be forgiven;**

**So when next he comes in glory,
And earth's final hour draws near,
May he then as our defender
On the clouds of heaven appear.**

**Honour, glory, virtue, merit,
To the Father and the Son,
With the co-eternal Spirit,
While unending ages run.**

The Lighting of the Advent Candle
Advent 1 – Commemoration of the Patriarchs

Standing before the Advent candle the president says

Blessed are you Sovereign Lord,
God of our ancestors:

All **To you be glory and praise for ever!**

You called the patriarchs to live by the light of faith and to journey in the hope of your promised fulfilment.

May we be obedient to your call and be ready and watchful to receive your Christ, a lamp to our feet and a light to our path; for you are our light and our salvation.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

The night is far spent, the day is at hand.

All **Let us therefore cast off the works of darkness
and put on the armour of light.**

The first Advent candle is then lit after which the following prayer is said

Father in heaven, our hearts desire the warmth of your love, and our minds are searching for the light of your Word. Increase our longing for Christ our Saviour and give us the strength to grow in love, that the dawn of his coming may find us rejoicing in his presence and welcoming the light of his truth. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

The choir sings

**To you, O Christ, all glory be,
Whose Advent sets your people free;
Whom with the Father, we adore,
And Holy Spirit, evermore. Amen.**

The president says

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

All **Amen.**

The Greeting

The president greets the people

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayers of Penitence

The president invites all to confess their sins

When the Lord comes, he will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness, and will disclose the purposes of the heart. In that light, let us confess our sins.

All **Father eternal,
giver of light and grace,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour,
in what we have thought,
in what we have said and done,
through ignorance, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We have wounded your love,
and marred your image within us.
We are sorry and ashamed,
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past;
and lead us out from darkness
to walk as children of light.**

Amen.

The president says

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

The choir sings the *Kyrie Eleison* from the *Messe Solennelle* by Louis Vierne (1870 – 1937)

Kyrie eleison.
Christe eleison.
Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect

The president says the Collect, the special prayer for the day.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Please sit

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Jeremiah 33: 14 - 16

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

The Advent Prose
sung by the choir

Drop down ye heavens from above, and let the skies pour down
righteousness.

Be not very sore, O Lord, neither remember iniquity for ever:
thy holy cities are a wilderness,
Sion is a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation:
our holy and our beautiful house,
where our fathers praised thee.

Drop down ye heavens from above, and let the skies pour down
righteousness.

Second Reading
1 Thessalonians 3: 9 - 13

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians.

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

Gospel Acclamation
sung by the choir

Alleluia, alleluia.

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading
Luke 21: 25 - 36

The president says

The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke.

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in a cloud" with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.' Then he told them a parable: 'Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

The preacher says an opening invocation or prayer, and then all sit.

Please stand

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.

Please sit

Admission of Choristers

The choir remains standing and the Director of Music comes forward to present the candidates to the Canon Precentor.

The Director of Music says:

Canon Precentor, I present to you Elsie Graham, Imogen Hawkins, Oriana Mossman and Ella Sausby as choristers in this Cathedral Church.

The Precentor replies:

On behalf of the Cathedral community, I welcome you to your new roles and look forward to the contribution you will make to our music and worshipping life.

The Precentor addresses all present

Dear friends in Christ, we are called to worship our heavenly Father in the beauty of holiness. In the body of Christ there exists a wonderful variety of ministries, which are especially evident when we gather for worship. Today we thank God for those who serve in the choir of this cathedral church, who enrich our worship through the beauty of music.

As Christians we are called not only to worship and prayer, and to receive Our Lord by word and sacrament, but also to action by showing forth within our lives those principles as revealed by Jesus himself. Within this cathedral church there are agreed values to which we are all called as a sign of our communal life together: love and unity, dignity and respect, accountability and integrity, creativity and courage.

So that we may know the thoughts of your hearts and minds, will you affirm and uphold these principles, and wherever possible show them forth in your life and ministry?

Cands **With the help of God, I will.**

Will you give of yourself to enhance the worship and music of this cathedral church and seek to grow in knowledge and ability?

Cands **With the help of God, I will.**

The Precentor says to each:

Elsie, Imogen, Oriana and Ella, I admit you as choristers in this Cathedral Church.

May the Lord bless each of you and guide you in the work to which you have been called.

May the Lord guard your going out and your coming in.

The Director of Music leads those who have been newly admitted to their places.

The choir then joins together in saying the Choristers' Prayer

**Bless, O Lord, us thy servants
who minister in thy temple.
Grant that what we sing with our lips
we may believe in our hearts,
and what we believe in our hearts
we may show forth in our lives.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Please stand

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The president introduces the Peace

In the tender mercy of our God, the dayspring from on high shall break upon us, to give light to those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

**The Lord will come and not be slow,
His footsteps cannot err;
Before him righteousness shall go,
His royal harbinger.**

**Truth from the earth, like to a flower,
Shall bud and blossom then;
And justice from her heavenly bower,
Look down on mortal men.**

**Rise, God, judge thou the earth in might,
This wicked earth redress;
For thou art he who shalt by right
The nations all possess.**

**The nations all whom thou hast made
Shall come, and all shall frame
To bow them low before thee, Lord,
And glorify thy name.**

**For great thou art, and wonders great
By thy strong hand are done:
Thou in thy everlasting seat
Remainest God alone.**

Eucharistic Prayer B

The president says

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise,
almighty God and everlasting Father, through Jesus Christ your Son.
For when he humbled himself to come among us in human flesh,
he fulfilled the plan you formed before the foundation of the world
to open for us the way of salvation.

Confident that your promise will be fulfilled, we now watch for the
day when Christ our Lord will come again in glory.
And so we join our voices with angels and archangels
and with all the company of heaven to proclaim your glory,
for ever praising you and saying:

The choir sings the Sanctus

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt coeli et terra
gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full
of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

Please remain standing as the president continues

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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died:**

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

The Prayer continues

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 the Blessed Virgin Mary
and 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.

All **Amen.**

Please remain standing

The Lord's Prayer

The president introduces the Lord's Prayer

Let us pray for the coming of the kingdom in the words our Saviour gave 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.

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

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

The president says the following invitation to Communion.

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

At the Distribution the president says

The Body of Christ.

The communicant replies each time Amen, and then receives.

The choir sings the Agnus Dei

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 upon us.
Lamb of God, you take away the
sin of the world,
grant us peace.

Anthem

'I waited for the Lord' by Felix Mendelssohn (1809 - 1847)

I waited for the Lord, he inclined unto me, he heard my complaint.
O blessed are they that hope and trust in him.

Words: Ps 40

After Communion

Please stand

Hymn

**The advent of our God
With eager prayers we greet,
And singing haste upon the road
His glorious gift to meet.**

**The everlasting Son
Scorns not the Virgin's womb;
That we from bondage may be won
He bears a bondsman's doom.**

**Daughter of Sion, rise
To meet thy lowly King;
Let not thy stubborn heart despise
The peace he comes to bring.**

**On clouds of dazzling light,
As judge he comes again,
His scattered people to unite,
With him in heaven to reign.**

**Let evil flee away,
Ere that great hour shall dawn,
Let this old Adam day by day
The new Man all put on.**

**Praise to the incarnate Son,
Who comes to set us free,
With Father and with Spirit One,
To all eternity.**

Let us pray

The president says the Post Communion prayer.

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

All **Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood
of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you
our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen.**

The Dismissal

The president says

The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

The president uses this or another suitable blessing

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you, scatter the darkness from before your path, and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

The president says

Go in the peace of Christ.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Organ Voluntary

Prélude (Symphonie I) by Louis Vierne (1870 – 1937)

Please remain standing as the choir and clergy depart.

Please take this order of service away with you.

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