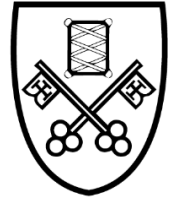




The Cathedral Church
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The Eucharist

Creation I

Sunday, 3rd September, 2023

10.30am

Welcome to Bradford Cathedral

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- ❖ Welcome to Bradford Cathedral, particularly if you are visiting or with us for the first time – if you are, please do introduce yourself to a Steward or member of the Clergy. We hope you will stay and enjoy refreshments with us after the service, which will be served at the West End of the Cathedral.
- ❖ Large print copies are available from the stewards at the main door.
- ❖ You are invited to join in the words in **bold type** in this order of service and sit or stand as directed as you are able.
- ❖ The accompanist is Graham Thorpe, Organist and Director of Music.
- ❖ During the offertory hymn, a plate will be passed around for offerings. You can also make an offering: via the contactless card reader at the back, online via this QR code that will direct you to <https://bradfordcathedral.org.uk/get-involved/donate/> or by texting SEED followed by the amount you wish to give (max £20) to 70450 (e.g. text “Seed 15” to give £15). NB texts cost gift value, plus one standard message.
- ❖ Communion – please follow the directions of the Stewards when the time comes. If you wish to receive a gluten-free wafer, please indicate this to the Eucharistic Minister. For health reasons, we do not permit intinction (dipping the bread in the wine), but you are welcome to receive only the bread if you prefer. If you wish to receive communion in your seat, please speak with one of the stewards at the main door before the start of the service.
- ❖ Please do not take pictures or videos during the service – this is not permitted for safeguarding reasons. Please either switch off your mobile phone or silence the ringer.
- ❖ Lavatories, including disabled facilities, are available towards the back of church.
- ❖ If you use a hearing aid, please turn it to the T position.
- ❖ In the event of an emergency, please remain calm and seated. Stewards will direct you out of the Cathedral.



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Musical Prelude

We stand as the clergy enter.

¶ The Preparation

The Greeting

We gather in praise of God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

This is the day that the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Welcome and Notices

The Revd Pete Gunstone, Minor Canon for Worship and Nurture

Silence is kept.

Prayer of Preparation

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Hymn

We stand

**All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing,
Alleluia, alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
thou silver moon with softer gleam:**

**O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise him, alleluia!
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice;
ye lights of evening, find a voice:**

**Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
make music for thy Lord to hear,
Alleluia, alleluia!
Thou fire, so masterful and bright,
that givest us both warmth and light:**

**Dear mother earth, who day by day
unfoldest blessings on our way,
O praise him, alleluia!
The flowers and fruits that in thee grow,
let them his glory also show:**

**All ye that are of tender heart,
forgiving others, take your part,
O sing ye, alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
praise God, and on him cast your care:**

**And thou, most kind and gentle death,
waiting to hush our latest breath,
O praise him, alleluia!
Thou leadest home the child of God,
and Christ our Lord the way has trod:**

**Let all things their creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness;
O praise him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One:**

**O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

*Words: William Henry Draper (1855-1933), based on St Francis of Assisi (1182-1226)
Music: 'Lasst uns erfreuen', Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)
CP 250*

Prayers of Penitence

Let us confess our greed
and repent of the ways in which we have damaged God's
good creation:

We confess to you
our lack of care for the world you have given us.
Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.

We confess to you
our selfishness in not sharing the earth's bounty fairly.
Christ have mercy.
Christ have mercy.

We confess to you
our failure to protect the environment.
Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.

May the Father of all mercies
cleanse you from your sins,
and restore you in his image
to the praise and glory of his name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

We sing together



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on



earth. Lord God, Heaven-ly King; Al-migh-ty God and Fa-ther; We wor-ship you, we



give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry. Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and



peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord, Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are



seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re - ceive our prayer. Glo-ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,



you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone, are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the

Ho - ly Spi - rit in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. *ff* Broader Glo - ry to God in the

high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. A - men.

The Collect

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Almighty God,
 give us reverence for all creation
 and respect for every person,
 that we may mirror your likeness
 in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

We sit.

¶ The Liturgy of the Word

The New Testament Reading

Maria Aboodas

¹After this I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, 'Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.' ²At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! ³And the one seated there looks like jasper and cornelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. ⁴Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. ⁵Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God; ⁶and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal.

Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: ⁷the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. ⁸And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing,

‘Holy, holy, holy,
the Lord God the Almighty,
who was and is and is to come.’

⁹And whenever the living creatures give glory and honour and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives for ever and ever, ¹⁰the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives for ever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing,

¹¹‘You are worthy, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honour and power,
for you created all things,
and by your will they existed and were created.’

Revelation 4

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Silence is kept.

The Gospel Acclamation

We stand.

Alleluia, alleluia.

As the rain and the snow come down from heaven
and water the earth making it spring forth and grow,
so shall my word accomplish my purpose.

cf. Isaiah 55.10-11

Alleluia.

The Gospel Reading

The Revd Canon Myra Shackley, Cathedral Chaplain

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

¹³You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

¹⁴You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5.13-16

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Music is played in response to the gospel reading.

Sermon

The Revd Canon Ned Lunn, Canon for Intercultural Mission and the Arts

Following an opening prayer, we sit.

The sermon is followed by a time of silence.

The Creed

We stand.

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**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.**

We sit.

Prayers of Intercession

Fiona Beevers

The response to the biddings is:

God of life:
Hear our prayer.

And at the end:

Merciful Father,
**accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

¶ *The Liturgy of the Sacrament*

The Peace

We stand.

You shall go out in joy and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

Isaiah 55.12

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

During the following hymn, offerings may be made through the offertory plates, via this QR code, or by the other means detailed in the inside front cover.



Offertory Hymn

**Creator God, the world around
declares your glory - flower and tree,
the evening sky and torrent's sound,
the mountain stream and rolling sea.
Yet all this beauty cannot show
the God whom we can truly know.**

**Composer God, all music sings
your praise - your power, your majesty -
in drum and trumpet, flute and strings,
in choir and song and symphony.
Yet music which inspires our praise
can never fathom all your ways.**

**Designer God, in shape and form
the beauty you inspire is shown:
in line and colour, etched or drawn,
in sculpture, painting, glass and stone.
Yet all these talents can't express
the full truth of your loveliness.**

**Mysterious God, though all the arts
of nature or of human skill
may move us: yet our longing hearts
are never satisfied until
in Jesus Christ you show your face:
a God of love and truth and grace.**

*Words: Brian Hoare (b.1935)
Music: 'Melita', J.B. Dykes (1823-1876)
SP 239*

Preparation of the Table

Blessed be God,
by whose grace creation is renewed,
by whose love heaven is opened,
by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise.
Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Prayer G

The Lord is here.
His Spirit is with us.

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.

Blessed are you, Lord God,
our light and our salvation;
to you be glory and praise for ever.

From the beginning you have created all things
and all your works echo the silent music of your praise.
In the fullness of time you made us in your image,
the crown of all creation.

You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels
and all the powers of heaven
we may find a voice to sing your praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord.
As a mother tenderly gathers her children,
you embraced a people as your own.
When they turned away and rebelled
your love remained steadfast.

From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary,
to be the living bread,
in whom all our hungers are satisfied.

He offered his life for sinners,
and with a love stronger than death
he opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died,
he came to supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he gave you thanks.
He broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:
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.

Jesus Christ is Lord:
**Lord, by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.**

Father, we plead with confidence
his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross;
we remember his dying and rising in glory,
and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you
these gifts of your creation;
may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence,
form us in the likeness of Christ,
and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Bring us at the last with St Peter and all the saints
to the vision of that eternal splendour
for which you have created us;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
by whom, with whom, and in whom,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

We sit or kneel in silence.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray in our own language

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Agnus Dei

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.**

Giving of Communion

Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink
in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

Please come forward to receive communion as directed by the stewards. Please indicate to those serving communion if you would like a gluten-free wafer. If you would like to receive a blessing rather than communion, please keep your hands down.

Communion Song

**There is a Redeemer,
Jesus, God's own Son,
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
Holy One.**

**Thank you, O my Father
for giving us your Son
and leaving your Spirit
'til the work on earth is done**

**Jesus my Redeemer,
Name above all Names,
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
oh, for sinners slain:**

**When I stand in glory
I will see His face,
and there I'll serve my King for ever
in that holy place.**

**Thank you, O my Father
for giving us your Son
and leaving your Spirit
'til the work on earth is done**

*Words: Keith Green (1953-82) and Melody Green
Music: Melody Green arr. Peter Moger (b.1964)
SP 315*

Silence is kept.

Prayer after Communion

Father of light,
in whom is no change or shadow of turning,
you give us every good and perfect gift
and have brought us to birth by your word of truth:
may we be a living sign of that kingdom
where your whole creation will be made perfect
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

¶ The Sending Out

Act of Commitment

‘While all creatures stand in expectation,
what will be the result of our liberty?’

Thomas Traherne

As the whole of creation looks with eager longing for the redemption of humankind, let us pledge ourselves anew to serve our Creator God, the Father who is the maker of all things, the Son through whom all things are made, and the Holy Spirit, the giver of life, who renews the face of the earth.

Let us stand to affirm our commitment to care actively for God’s creation.

We stand.

**Lord of life and giver of hope,
we pledge ourselves to care for creation,
to reduce our waste,
to live sustainably,
and to value the rich diversity of life.
May your wisdom guide us,
that life in all its forms may flourish,
and may be faithful in voicing creation's praise.
Amen.**

Hymn

**Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesu, 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 grace 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: Charles Wesley (1707-88)
Music: 'Blaenwern', W. P. Rowlands (1860-1937)
CP 516 ii*

The Dismissal

May God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the source of all goodness,
pour his blessing upon all things created,
and upon us his children,
that we may use his gifts to his glory
and the welfare of all peoples;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Go in peace, and may the commitment we have made this day
be matched by our faithful living.
Thanks be to God. Amen. Amen. Amen.

We remain standing as the clergy depart.

Musical Postlude

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BRADFORD CATHEDRAL DIARY & NOTICES

TODAY	8am	Holy Communion
3 rd September	10.30am	The Eucharist
<i>Creation 1</i>	11.45am	Just a Minute
	12.15pm	Bring & Share Lunch (de Lacy Centre)
	3.30pm	Evening Prayer

On this First Sunday of Creationtide, today's flower arrangement including Fairtrade roses is given by Elaine and Mike de Villiers in celebration of the beauty of God's creation.

THIS WEEK	9am	Morning Prayer online
Monday-Saturday	5.30pm	Evening Prayer online
	10am-4pm	Cathedral open
Monday 4 th September	5.30pm	Choral Evensong (Lady Chapel)
Tuesday 5 th September	10am	Time for Carers (de Lacy Centre)
	1.30pm	Cathedral Stitchers
	5.30pm	Choral Evensong (Lady Chapel)
Wednesday 6 th September	8.15am	Holy Communion
	10.15am	Holy Communion
Thursday 7 th September	10am	St Paul's Primary School visit
Saturday 9 th September	12-3pm	Heritage Open Day (see notice)

NEXT SUNDAY	8am	Holy Communion
10 th September	10.30am	Choral Eucharist
<i>Creation 2</i>	11.45am	Just a Minute
	2pm	Peal attempt: St Mary Bathwick
	3.30pm	Choral Evensong

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

TODAY BRING AND SHARE LUNCH This is an opportunity for us to share in some longer fellowship over food after our Sunday morning services. The lunch will begin at 12.30pm in the de Lacy Centre.

WEEKDAY EVENSONG. Weekday Choral Evensong on Mondays and Tuesdays at 5.30pm recommences this Monday 4th September.

HERITAGE OPEN DAY All are invited to join us this Saturday 9th September for 'Creative Cathedral: Marvellous Morris & Co and their Stunning Stained Glass' from 12noon – 3pm. This will include free tours, displays and a talk from Helen Elletson, Research Curator at the William Morris Society, on 'The Art of William Morris and his Work in Bradford Cathedral'. You can find out more and book your free places at creative-cathedral.eventbrite.co.uk/

CITY HALL 150 Saturday 9th September 2023, marks the 150th anniversary of Bradford City Hall and Bradford Council are organising a series of events to celebrate. As part of this we will be opening for visitors between the two choral services on Sunday 10th September. To find out more about all the events across the city please visit bradford.gov.uk/arts-and-culture/whats-on-in-bradford-district/city-hall-150/

MONDAY FELLOWSHIP Monday 11th September at 2pm in the de Lacy Centre. Maggie Myers, Director of Education and Visitors, will be talking about Abraham Sharp (1653-1742), Bradford's world-renowned astronomer and mathematician, whose memorial is in Bradford Cathedral. Followed by refreshments. All are welcome.

YORKSHIRE CHURCHES DAY Saturday 16th September. A chance for every place of worship in the county to open up and showcase the amazing history and heritage found inside their buildings. We will be open, as usual, from 10am - 4pm. You can find out more at <https://www.yhct.org.uk/yorkshire-churches-day/>

CANDLELIGHT CONCERTS On Saturday 16th September we are hosting two new 'Candlelight' events performed by the String Infusion String Quartet. There is a 6pm performance of music by Hans Zimmer, and an 8pm performance of Queen by Candlelight. Tickets can be booked via bradfordcathedral.org.uk/whats-on

FAREWELL TO ROBIN Robin Gamble, Bishop's Advisor in Church Growth, retires this autumn. All are invited to come and celebrate his dynamic and fruitful ministry as a parish priest and as an encourager of evangelism in the Cathedral on Sunday, 1st October at 6pm. The service will include sung worship, testimonies, presentations and prayer. Sign up (not required, but will help us prepare) via: <https://bradfordcathedral.churchsuite.com/events/fhdftatt>

CATHEDRAL CLOSED TO VISITORS Please note that we will be closed for visitors from Monday 18th September to Friday 22nd September, and from Monday 25th September to Friday 29th September, to facilitate tonal works on the organ. Services will continue as usual, although there may be changes of location.

WHAT'S ON BOOKLET The September – December 2023 edition is now available view online, and you can pick up a copy from the welcome desk.

NOTICES

VERGER TEAM We are delighted to announced that Sam Fletcher will begin her new role as Head Verger on Monday 25th September. Sam has been part of the Cathedral community for a number of years as a volunteer, and more recently a paid verger. We look forward to her taking on this exciting new challenge leading the verger team. We will also soon be welcoming a new member of staff to the verger team. Neil Holmes, will join us as Events & Facilities Assistant on Tuesday 26th September. He will work 16 hours per week, supporting our increasingly busy programme of events and helping with the ongoing maintenance tasks required to look after the Cathedral, Close properties and precinct. Both of these appointments are made on one year fixed term contracts. Please pray for Sam and Neil as they prepare to take up their new roles.

BRADFORD CENTRAL FOODBANK are very short on food at the moment and would really appreciate any help that you can give them. You could do an online shop and have it delivered to them or buy food and drop it off to them. Deliveries can be made to Jubilee Centre, Jermyn Street, BDI 4EJ between 9am and 3pm on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Or you could give money online via <https://bradfordcentral.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money/>

ORGAN Remedial work on the Cathedral Organ by Peter Wood & Son Organ Builders continues to make progress. We are looking forward to hearing the organ again for our Harvest Festival on Sunday 1st October. Find our more via social media and at bradfordcathedral.org.uk/news location.

JOIN US Whether you've been coming for some time or you are new with us today, if you would like to explore becoming part of our community then please complete a welcome card that are available at the back of the Cathedral.

GET INVOLVED We are looking for people to serve alongside us in several ministries across our community, including with our children and to operate the livestream during our 10.30am Sunday Service. Please speak to a member of the clergy team or to one of our stewards if you want to know more.