



# The Eucharist

The Feast of the Epiphany Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> January 2024 10.30

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#### Weaving Jesus into the rich fabric of the city and beyond

- 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 Cathedral Choir is conducted by Graham Thorpe, Interim Organist and Director of Music, and is accompanied by Darius Battiwalla.
- 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  $\pounds 20$ ) 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.
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#### **Organ Voluntary**

#### Welcome & Notices

The Revd Pete Gunstone, Minor Canon for Worship and Nurture

After the welcome, silence is kept.

## The Preparation

#### **Processional Hymn**

Please stand.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; bow down before him, his glory proclaim; with gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness, kneel and adore him, the Lord is his name.

Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness: high on his heart he will bear it for thee, comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness, guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.

Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness of the poor wealth thou wouldst reckon as thine: truth in its beauty, and love in its tenderness, these are the offerings to lay on his shrine.

These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness, he will accept for the name that is dear; mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness, trust for our trembling and hope for our fear.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; bow down before him, his glory proclaim; with gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness, kneel and adore him, the Lord is his name.

> Words: J S B Monsell (1811-1875) Music: 'Was Lebet'. Melody from Rheinhardt MS (1754) CP 89

#### The Greeting

The Revd Nathaniel Osunwa

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

> Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe. From the rising of the sun to its setting your name is proclaimed in all the world.

The Lord of glory be with you. **The Lord bless you.** 

#### **Prayers of Penitence**

Deacon The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own. Let us confess our sins.

Silence is kept.

God be gracious to us and bless us, and make your face shine upon us: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

May your ways be known on the earth, your saving power among the nations: Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.** 

You, Lord, have made known your salvation, and reveal your justice in the sight of the nations: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

President 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. Amen.

#### **Gloria in Excelsis**

Choir Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty.
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty.
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy, thou only art the Lord, thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## The Collect

President Grateful for the glory revealed today through God made flesh, let us pray.

Silence is kept.

O God,

who by the leading of a star manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may at last behold your glory face to face; 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.** 

We sit.

# The Liturgy of the Word

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John Whitham

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. <sup>2</sup>For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. <sup>3</sup>Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. <sup>4</sup>Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. <sup>5</sup>Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice,\* because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. <sup>6</sup>A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Isaiah 60.1-6

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

Silence is kept.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

We stand.



Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Choir Christ was revealed in flesh, proclaimed among the nations and believed in throughout the world.

cf I Timothy 3.16

#### Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

#### **Gospel Reading**

Revd Duncan Milwain

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

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup> asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' <sup>3</sup> When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; <sup>4</sup> and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. <sup>5</sup> They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

<sup>6</sup> "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel." '

<sup>7</sup> Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. <sup>8</sup> Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' <sup>9</sup> When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. <sup>10</sup> When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. <sup>11</sup> On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. <sup>12</sup> And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Matthew 2.1-12

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

We remain standing as the organ plays in response to the gospel.

#### Sermon

The Revd Pete Gunstone, Minor Canon for Worship and Nurture

After the opening prayer, please be seated.

The sermon will be followed by a time of silent reflection.

## 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

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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**

Nora Whitham

The response to the prayers is:

Lord, in your mercy 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.

President Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

cf Isaiah 9.6,7

Deacon Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

and also with you.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

#### **Offertory Hymn**

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.



Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son!
Hail, in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free, to take away transgression, and rule in equity.

He comes with succour speedy to those who suffer wrong; to help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong; to give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light, whose souls, condemned and dying, were precious in his sight.

He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth, and love, joy, hope, like flowers, spring in his path to birth: before him on the mountains shall peace, the herald, go; and righteousness in fountains from hill to valley flow.

Arabia's desert-ranger to him shall bow the knee; the Ethiopian stranger his glory come to see; with offerings of devotion ships from the isles shall meet, to pour the wealth of ocean in tribute at his feet.

Kings shall bow down before him, and gold and incense bring; all nations shall adore him his praise all people sing: to him shall prayer unceasing and daily vows ascend; his kingdom still increasing, a kingdom without end.

O'er every foe victorious, he on his throne shall rest; from age to age more glorious, all-blessing and all-blest: the tide of time shall never his covenant remove; his name shall stand for ever, his changeless name of love.

> Words: James Montgomery (177101854), based on Psalm 72 Music: adapted from Johann Crüger (1598-1662) by W. H. Monk (1823-1889)

#### **Prayer at the Preparation of the Table**

 President Lord, accept your people's gifts, not gold, frankincense or myrrh, but hearts and voices raised in praise of Jesus Christ, our light and our salvation.
 Amen.

#### **The Eucharistic Prayer**

President The Lord be with you 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.

All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere, mighty creator, ever-living God, through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord: for at this time we celebrate your glory made present in our midst. In the coming of the Magi the King of all the world was revealed to the nations. In the waters of baptism Jesus was revealed as the Christ, the Saviour sent to redeem us. Prayer A

In the water made wine the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast. Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy.

Therefore with all the angels of heaven we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

Choir Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most High. Amen.

> Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

> > Music: 'Communion Service in G', Francis Jackson (1917-2022)

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood; 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.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord. Deacon Jesus Christ is Lord: Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. You are the Saviour of the world.

President Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

> Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, 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

Believing the promises of God, 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 the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world. God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.

## **Agnus Dei**

Choir

- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world; have mercy upon us.
  - O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world; have mercy upon us.
  - O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world; grant us Thy peace.

Music: 'Communion Service in G', Francis Jackson (1917-2022)

## **Giving of Communion**

God's holy gifts for God's holy people. Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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 Motet**

Solo:

Three kings from Persian lands afar to Jordan follow the pointing star: and this the quest of the travellers three, where the new-born King of the Jews may be. Full royal gifts they bear for the King; gold, incense, myrrh are their offering.

The star shines out with a steadfast ray; the kings to Bethlehem make their way, and there in worship they bend the knee, as Mary's child in her lap they see; their royal gifts they show to the King; gold, incense, myrrh are their offering. Thou child of man, lo, to Bethlehem the kings are travelling, travel with them! The star of mercy, the star of grace, shall lead thy heart to its resting-place. Gold, incense, myrrh thou canst not bring; offer thy heart to the Infant King.

As accompaniment to the Solo, the Choir sings the Chorale: How brightly shines the morning star! With grace and truth from heaven afar our Jesse tree now bloweth. Of Jacob's stem and David's line, for thee, my Bridegroom, King divine, my soul with love o'erfloweth. Thy word, Jesus, inly feeds us, rightly leads us, life bestowing. Praise, O praise such love o'erflowing.

Music: Peter Cornelius (1824–1874) arranged by Ivor Atkins (1869–1953); chorale melody by Philipp Nicolai (1556–1608) chorale text by Philipp Nicolai translation by Herbert Newell Bate (1871–1941)

#### **Prayer after Communion**

Lord God,

the bright splendour whom the nations seek: may we who with the wise men have been drawn by your light discern the glory of your presence in your Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Hymn

As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold, as with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright; so, most gracious God, may we evermore be led to thee.

As with joyful steps they sped, Saviour, to that lowly bed, there to bend the knee before thee whom heaven and earth adore; so may we with willing feet ever seek thy mercy-seat.

As they offered gifts most rare at thy cradle rude and bare, so may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy, all our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to thee, our heavenly King.

Holy Jesus, every day keep us in the narrow way, and, when earthly joys are past, bring our ransomed souls at last where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glory hide.

In the heavenly country bright need they no created light; thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down; there for ever may we sing alleluias to our King.

> Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898) Music: 'Dix'. From a chorale by C Kocher (1786-1872) abridged by W H Monk (1823-1889) CP 83

# The Dismissal

#### The Blessing

President May God the Father,

who led the wise men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from light, lead you in your pilgrimage to find the Lord. **Amen.** 

May God, who has delivered us from the dominion of darkness, give us a place with the saints in light in the kingdom of his beloved Son. Amen.

May the light of the glorious gospel of Christ shine in your hearts and fill our lives with his joy and peace.

#### Amen.

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

#### The Dismissal

Deacon We have seen his glory, the glory revealed to all the nations. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen.

We remain standing as the choir and clergy depart.

## Organ Voluntary

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## **BRADFORD CATHEDRAL DIARY**

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| TODAY                      | 8am         | Holy Communion (BCP)               |
|----------------------------|-------------|------------------------------------|
| 7 <sup>th</sup> January    | 10.30am     | The Eucharist                      |
| Epiphany                   | 11.45am     | Just a Minute                      |
|                            | 3.30pm      | Choral Evensong                    |
| THIS WEEK                  | <b>9</b> am | Morning Prayer (online only)       |
| Monday-Saturday            | 12noon      | Midday Prayer                      |
|                            | 5.30pm      | Evening Prayer (online)            |
| Monday 8 <sup>th</sup>     | 2pm         | Monday Fellowship                  |
|                            | 5.30pm      | Choral Evensong                    |
| Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup>    | l2noon      | Secondary School visit             |
|                            | 1.30pm      | Stitchers                          |
|                            | 5.30pm      | Choral Evensong                    |
|                            | 7pm         | Alpha Course (de Lacy Centre)      |
| Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> | 8.15am      | Holy Communion (St Aidan's Chapel) |
|                            | 10.15am     | Holy Communion (St Aidan's Chapel) |
|                            | lpm         | Organ Recital                      |
|                            | 4.30pm      | Grace Notes                        |
| Thursday II <sup>th</sup>  | 10am        | Secondary School visit             |
| NEXT SUNDAY                | 8am         | Holy Communion (BCP)               |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> January   | 10.30am     | The Eucharist                      |
| Epiphany 2                 | 11.45am     | Just a Minute                      |
|                            | 3.30pm      | Choral Evensong                    |

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

**ALPHA COURSE** runs on Tuesdays during the Spring Term, starting on 9<sup>th</sup> January with a taster session. It is an opportunity to gather with others and ask questions about the Christian faith. Please spread the word. Flyers are available. If you are interested, please speak with either Revd Pete or Revd Duncan.

**WEDNESDAY@ONE ORGAN RECITALS** The next concert will be by Michał Szostak (Poland) The recital, at Ipm, will be preceded by a buffet lunch (£4) at I2.30pm. Details: https://bradfordcathedral.org.uk/organ-recitals

**TREE OF LIFE:** Join us for a magical night with Emma Johnson, clarinet/conductor, and the 13-piece The Orchestra For The Environment on Friday 7th June 2024. Tickets are available now at https://tree-of-life-bradford.eventbrite.co.uk/ or from the Cathedral Office.

**BRADFORD CATHEDRAL WHAT'S ON:** The new what's on booklet is available to pick up from the welcome desk or online at bradfordcathedral.org.uk/whats-on, and includes more details of services and events from January - April 2024, with tickets now available for many of these.

#### NOTICES

**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.

**CATHEDRAL CLOSED** The Cathedral will be closed on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January for a staff training day.

**MONDAY FELLOWSHIP** Monday January 8th at 2pm in the de Lacy Centre: Canon Rod Anderson will be giving a talk entitled- "From St Thomas to St Aidan churches, people, New Zealand". The talk will be followed by refreshments. All are welcome. Please note that the Cathedral is closed that day, but there will be access to the de Lacy Centre.