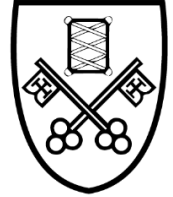




The Cathedral Church
of St Peter Bradford



The Eucharist

The Festival of the Baptism of Christ
Sunday, 12th January 2025

10.30

Welcome to Bradford Cathedral

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Welcome to Bradford Cathedral, particularly if you are visiting or are with us for the first time. If you are, please do introduce yourself to a Steward or the Clergy.

Large print copies are available at the main door. You are invited to join in the words in **bold type** in this order of service, and to sit or stand as directed as you are able.

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 or online via this QR code that will direct you to <https://bradfordcathedral.org.uk/get-involved/donate/> where you can either make a one-off donation or set up regular giving.



Communion. Those who are confirmed or are baptised and in the habit of receiving Holy Communion are welcome to do so. Others are invited to come forward for a blessing – please indicate this by keeping your hands down. 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. Please follow the directions of the Stewards when the time comes. 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. If you would like to explore baptism, confirmation, or communion before confirmation, please speak to a member of the Clergy after the service.

Bradford Cathedral Choir is directed by Graham Thorpe, Organist and Director of Music. The organ is played by William Campbell, Sub-Organist and Assistant Director of Music.

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Organ Voluntary

Benedictus

Alex Rowley (1892-1958)

Welcome & Notices

The Revd Pete Gunstone, Minor Canon for Worship and Nurture

After the welcome, silence is kept.

The Preparation

Processional Hymn

Please stand.

**Songs of thankfulness and praise,
Jesu, Lord, to thee we raise,
manifested by the star
to the sages from afar;
branch of royal David's stem
in thy birth at Bethlehem:
anthems be to thee address,
God in man made manifest.**

**Manifest at Jordan's stream,
Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;
and at Cana wedding-guest
in thy Godhead manifest;
manifest in power divine,
changing water into wine:
anthems be to thee address,
God in man made manifest.**

**Manifest in making whole
palsied limbs and fainting soul;
manifest in valiant fight,
quelling all the devil's might;
manifest in gracious will,
ever bringing good from ill:
anthems be to thee address,
God in man made manifest.**

**Sun and moon shall darkened be,
stars shall fall, the heavens shall flee;
Christ will then like lightning shine,
all will see his glorious sign;
all will then the trumpet hear,
all will see the Judge appear:
thou by all wilt be confest,
God in man made manifest.**

**Grant us grace to see thee, Lord,
mirrored in thy holy word;
may we imitate thee now,
and be pure, as pure art thou;
that we like to thee may be
at thy great Epiphany;
and may praise thee, ever blest,
God in man made manifest.**

*Words: Christopher Wordsworth (1807-85)
Music: St George's Windsor, G.J. Evey (1816-93)
CP 90 t.ii*

The Greeting

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.

Gloria in Excelsis

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 coelestis. 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 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, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ;
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.*

Music: 'Spatzenmesse', W. A. Mozart (1756-91)

The Collect

President Let us pray that we may be faithful to our baptism.

Silence is kept.

Eternal Father,
who at the baptism of Jesus
revealed him to be your Son,
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:
grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit,
that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children;
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

New Testament Reading

Lambert Ofoegbu

¹⁴Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. ¹⁵The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit ¹⁶(for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). ¹⁷Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Acts 8.14-17

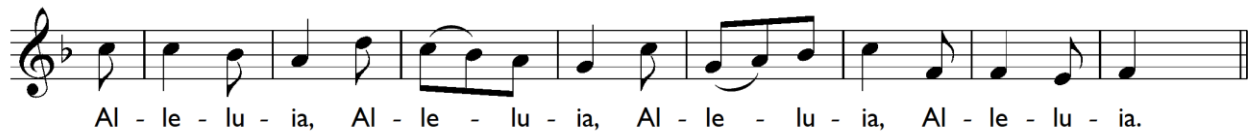
This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Silence is kept.

Gospel Acclamation

We stand.



Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased

Matthew 3.17

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Reading

The Revd Mary Fisher

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁵As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'

²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

Luke 3.15-17, 21, 22

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 Andy Bowerman, Dean of Bradford

After the opening prayer, please be seated.

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

Thanksgiving for Holy Baptism

As the clergy process to the font, we stand and either follow them to the font or face the font, and sing together twice

Let all who are thir-sty come. Let all who wish re-ceive the wa-ter of life_

free-ly. A - men, come Lord Je- sus. A - men, come Lord Je- sus.

The image shows two systems of musical notation. The first system consists of a treble and bass staff with lyrics: 'Let all who are thir-sty come. Let all who wish re-ceive the wa-ter of life_'. The second system also consists of a treble and bass staff with lyrics: 'free-ly. A - men, come Lord Je- sus. A - men, come Lord Je- sus.' The music is in G major and 4/4 time, with some changes to 2/4 and 4/4. The piece ends with a repeat sign and a fermata.

Water is poured into the font with these words

Deacon God in Christ gives us water welling up for eternal life.
With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.
Lord, give us this water and we shall thirst no more.

The president stands before the water and says

President Praise God who made heaven and earth,
who keeps his promise for ever.

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

Father, we give you thanks and praise
for your gift of water in creation;
for your Spirit, sweeping over the waters,
bringing light and life;
for your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
baptized in the river Jordan.

We bless you for your new creation,
brought to birth by water and the Spirit,
and for your grace bestowed upon us your children,
washing away our sins.

May your holy and life-giving Spirit
move upon these waters.

Restore through them the beauty of your creation,
and bring those who are baptized
to new birth in the family of your Church.

Drown sin in the waters of judgement,
anoint your children with power from on high,
and make them one with Christ
in the freedom of your kingdom.

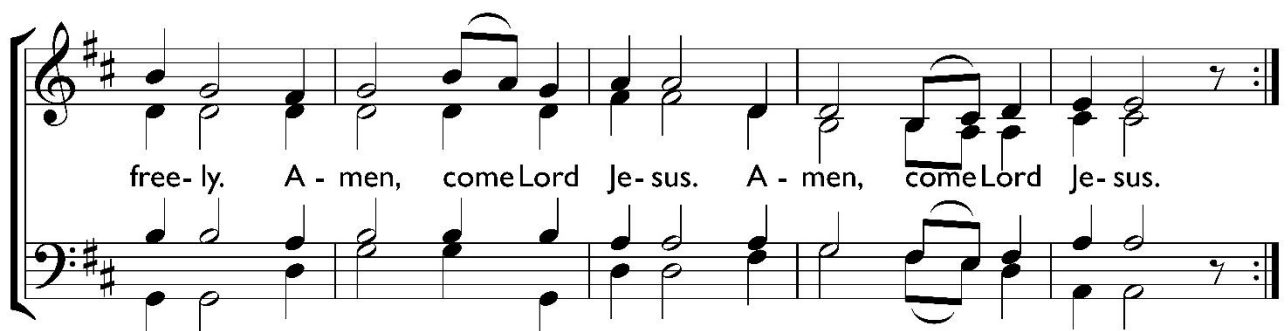
For all might, majesty, dominion and power are yours,
now and for ever.

Alleluia. Amen.

We sing together twice



Let all who are thir-sty come. Let all who wish re-ceive the wa-ter of life_



free-ly. A - men, come Lord Je- sus. A - men, come Lord Je- sus.

Taize Community

Act of Penitence and Dedication

Deacon God of truth,
you are faithful to the covenant you have made with us;
look in mercy on your people.
From all our sins, O Lord:
wash us, and we shall be clean.

We have broken the pledges of our baptism,
and failed to be your disciples.
From all our sins, O Lord:
wash us, and we shall be clean.

Though we are saved by Christ
and dead to sin through the deep waters of death,
we have not witnessed to his grace by our manner of life.
From all our sins, O Lord:
wash us, and we shall be clean.

We have shown indifference to those in need
and have been afraid to stand up for justice and truth.
From all our sins, O Lord:
wash us, and we shall be clean.

We have been slow to forgive, and have failed to remember
your repeated forgiveness of our sins.
From all our sins, O Lord:
wash us, and we shall be clean.

Today we rejoice and give thanks
because your Son humbled himself to be baptized in the Jordan.
Through the waters you have given us the mystery of baptism
for the remission of our sins.
From all our sins, O Lord:
wash us, and we shall be clean.

Through water and Spirit
you give us new life as the people of God,
and pour out upon us the gifts of your new covenant.
From all our sins, O Lord:
wash us, and we shall be clean.

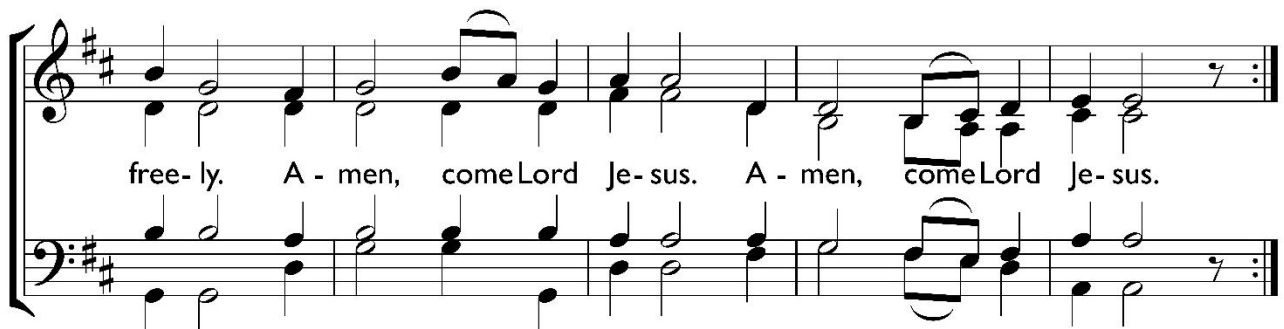
Almighty God,
in our baptism you have consecrated us
to be temples of your Holy Spirit.
May we, whom you have counted worthy,
nurture your indwelling Spirit with a lively faith,
and worship you with upright lives;
through Jesus Christ.
Amen.

President 'Come,' say the Spirit and the Bride.
'Come forward, you who are thirsty,
receive the water of life,
the free gift to all who desire it.'

The water is sprinkled over the people. All are welcome to come and sign themselves with the cross in it. Whilst this happens, we sing



Let all who are thir-sty come. Let all who wish re-ceive the wa-ter of life_



free-ly. A - men, come Lord Je- sus. A - men, come Lord Je- sus.

President May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

President God has made us one in Christ.
He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come,
has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia.

cf 2 Corinthians 1.22

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

Deacon Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn

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



**When Jesus came to Jordan
to be baptized by John,
he did not come for pardon,
but as his Father's Son.
He came to share repentance
with all who mourn their sins,
to speak the vital sentence
with which good news begins.**

**He came to share temptation,
our utmost woe and loss;
for us and our salvation
to die upon the cross.
So when the Dove descended
on him, the Son of Man,
the hidden years had ended,
the age of grace began.**

**Come, Holy Spirit, aid us
to keep the vows we make,
this very day invade us,
and every bondage break.
Come, give our lives direction,
the gift we covet most:
the share the resurrection
that leads to Pentecost.**

Words: Fred Pratt Green (1903-2000)

Music: 'Offertorium', melody adapted from Michael Haydn (1737-1806)

CP 93

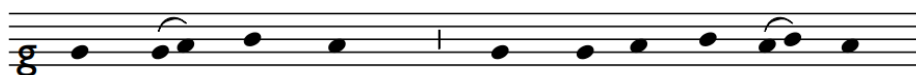
Prayer at the Preparation of the Table

President Open the heavens, Lord our God,
and send your transforming Spirit
on us and on these gifts.
May we who are baptized into Christ
be ready to share his cup of suffering
and strengthened to serve him for ever.
Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Prayer B

President



The Lord is here. **R. His Spi-rit is with us.**



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



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



R. It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is truly right and just,
our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

You celebrated your new gift of baptism
in signs and wonders at the Jordan.
Your voice was heard from heaven
to awaken faith in the presence among us
of your Word made flesh.
Your Spirit was seen as a dove,
revealing Jesus as your servant,
and anointing him with the oil of gladness
to preach the good news to the poor.

Therefore, as we celebrate the union of earth and heaven,
we rejoice to echo the song of the angels in heaven
for ever praising you and singing:

Choir

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

*Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory,
Hosanna in the highest.*

Music: 'Spatzenmesse', W. A. Mozart (1756-91)

Benedictus, qui venit, in nomine Domini.
Osanna in excelsis.

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

Plainsong

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.

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

President 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.

We kneel or sit in silence.

The Lord's Prayer

President 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

President 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 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.

*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: 'Spatzenmesse', W. A. Mozart (1756-91)

Giving of Communion

President 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

Ave verum Corpus natum de Maria Virgine
vere passum immolatum in cruce pro homine.
Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit et sanguine.
Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.

*Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary,
who truly suffered upon the cross for mankind:
from whose pierced side there came forth water and blood;
give us now, and at the time of our death, yourself to be our food.*

*Words: 14th century
Music: Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-91)*

Prayer after Communion

President Lord of all time and eternity,
you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father
in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son:
by the power of your Spirit
complete the heavenly work of our rebirth
through the waters of the new creation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

**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.**

Hymn

**We have a gospel to proclaim,
good news for all throughout the earth;
the gospel of a Saviour's name:
we sing his glory, tell his worth.**

**Tell of his birth at Bethlehem
not in a royal house or hall
but in a stable dark and dim,
the Word made flesh, a light for all.**

**Tell of his death at Calvary,
hated by those he came to save,
in lonely suffering on the cross;
for all he loved his life he gave.**

**Tell of that glorious Easter morn:
empty the tomb, for he was free.
He broke the power of death and hell
that we might share his victory.**

**Tell of his reign at God's right hand,
by all creation glorified.
He sends his Spirit on his church
to live for him, the Lamb who died.**

**Now we rejoice to name him King:
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
This gospel-message we proclaim:
we sing his glory, tell his worth.**

*Words: Edward J Burns (b. 1938)
Music: 'Fulda', William Gardiner (1770-1853)
CP 612*

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 the Son,
who turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana,
transform your lives and make glad your hearts.
Amen.

May God the Holy Spirit,
who came upon the beloved Son
at his baptism in the river Jordan,
pour out his gifts on you
who have come to the waters of new birth.
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 come to Christ, the living water.
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

Benedictus Op.59 No. 9

Max Reger (1873-1916)

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