

UNIVERSITY
CHURCH

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sung Eucharist

Sunday 21 June 2026

10.30am

Please take this booklet away with you

Welcome to the University Church of St Mary the Virgin, Oxford. We are delighted that you have joined us today. This Order of Service will guide you through the Eucharist. Please join in singing the hymns, as well as in saying together the words printed in bold type. Invitations to sit, stand, or kneel are only suggestions; please worship in whatever posture is best for you. If you need holy communion in your seat, please inform a Steward. The service is live-streamed, and the central nave area may be visible on camera. To avoid appearing on camera, please sit in the Gallery.

The Revd Canon Dr William Lamb, Vicar, is presiding and the Revd Hannah Cartwright, Associate Vicar, is preaching.

The Mass Setting is by Geoffrey Webber (b.1959) and is sung by the congregation. The Organist is James Brown.

CHILDREN AT ST MARY'S

We are delighted to have children worshipping with us and you are welcome to breastfeed and bottle-feed in church. A selection of toys and books are available in the Newman Room (behind the glass brick wall) next to the baby change. Saplings takes place on the first and third Sundays of the month in the Old Library for children aged 3-10 years and their families.

INFORMATION ABOUT ST MARY'S

For over 1,000 years, this church has served the city of Oxford as a place of inspiration, worship, and Christian witness. The University of Oxford began within the precincts of this building. Today it is the home of a vibrant and diverse community, and offers a particular welcome to those who feel on the edges of faith or society. We hope that you will enjoy being here with us today and that we will see you again very soon. If you are new and would like to receive our weekly e-newsletter about events and services at St Mary's, sign up at universitychurch.ox.ac.uk/content/keeping-touch. Toilets, including accessible and baby change facilities, are situated at the back of Church behind the glass brick wall.



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THE GATHERING**INTROIT HYMN***Please stand*

**All my hope on God is founded:
 He doth still my trust renew.
 Me thro' change and chance He guideth,
 Only good and only true.
 God unknown, He alone
 Calls my heart to be His own.
 Pride of man and earthly glory,
 Sword and crown betray his trust:
 What with care and toil he buildeth,
 Tower and temple fall to dust.
 But God's power, hour by hour,
 Is my temple and my tower.
 God's great goodness aye endureth,
 Deep His wisdom, passing thought:
 Splendour, light and life attend Him,
 Beauty springeth out of naught.
 Evermore from His store
 Newborn worlds rise and adore.
 Daily doth th'almighty Giver
 Bounteous gifts on us bestow.
 His desire our soul delighteth,
 Pleasure leads us where we go.
 Love doth stand at His hand;
 Joy doth wait on His command.
 Still from man to God eternal
 Sacrifice of praise be done,
 High above all praises praising
 For the gift of Christ His Son.
 Christ doth call one and all:
 Ye who follow shall not fall.**

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

All **Amen.**

President The Lord be with you

All **and also with you.**

Words of welcome may be offered.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

All **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.**

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Deacon As we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ in word and sacrament, let us call to mind and confess our sins.

Please sit or kneel

All **Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry 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 grant that we may serve you
in newness of life to the glory of your name.
Amen.**

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.

All **Amen.**

Please stand

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Organ



Glo - ry to_ God in the high - est, and peace
_ to his people on earth. Lord God, heav'nly King, al - mighty God and
Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we_ give you thanks, we praise you for your
glo - ry. Lord Je sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the_ sins of the world: have
mer - cy on us: you are sea - ted at the right hand of the_
Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. 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. A - men.

THE COLLECT

President Let us pray. *We remain standing as we pray in silence*

President Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin
and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts
whereby we call you Father:
give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,
that we and all creation may be brought
to the glorious liberty of the children of God;
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.

All **Amen.**

Please sit

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Romans 6.1b-11

A reading from Paul's the letter to the Romans.

What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Reader For the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN

Please stand



**Father, hear the prayer we offer:
Not for ease that prayer shall be,
But for strength that we may ever
Live our lives courageously.**

**Not for ever in green pastures
Do we ask our way to be;
But the steep and rugged pathway
May we tread rejoicingly.**

**Not for ever by still waters
Would we idly rest and stay;
But would smite the living fountains
From the rocks along our way.**

**Be our strength in hours of weakness,
In our wanderings be our guide;
Through endeavour, failure, danger,
Father, be thou at our side.**

Words: Love Maria Willis (1824-1908)

Tune: CYPRESS COURT, Barry Ferguson (b.1942). A&M 629ii

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please turn to face the Gospel

Deacon Alleluia! Alleluia! Speak Lord for your servant is listening,
you have the words of eternal life.

All Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 10.24-39

Deacon Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the Disciples: 'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

'Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.'

Deacon This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON The Revd Hannah Cartwright

Please sit

THE NICENE CREED

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

President In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,
let us pray to the Father.

Please kneel or sit

All Lord, in your mercy: *or* Lord, hear us.
hear our prayer. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

Please stand

President Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they shall be called the children of God.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Deacon Let us offer one another a sign of Christ's peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace by saying 'Peace be with you!'

OFFERTORY HYMN

During the hymn a cash collection is taken, and the altar is prepared.

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A - men.

**Christ is made the sure foundation,
and the precious corner-stone,
Who, the two walls underlying,
bound in each, binds both in one,
Holy Sion's help for ever,
and our confidence alone.**

**All that dedicated city,
dearly loved by God on high,
In exultant jubilation
pours perpetual melody,
God the One, in Threefold glory,
singing everlastingly.**

**To this temple, where we call thee,
come, O Lord of hosts, today;
With thy wonted loving-kindness,
hear thy people as they pray;
And thy fullest benediction
shed within its walls for ay.**

**Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
gifts of grace by prayer to gain;
Here to have and hold for ever,
those good things their prayers obtain,
And hereafter, in thy glory,
with thy blessed ones to reign.**

**Laud and honour to the Father,
laud and honour to the Son,
Laud and honour to the Spirit,
ever Three and ever One,
One in love, and One in splendour,
while unending ages run. Amen.**

Words: Latin c. C7th Transl. J.M. Neale (1818-66)

Tune: WESTMISTER ABBEY, adapt. From Purcell in *The Psalmist* 1843. NEH 205

Please remain standing

THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

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

All Blessed be God forever.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

President The Lord be with you.

All and also with you.

President Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

President Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

President Father, we give you thanks and praise
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word,
through whom you have created all things;
who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.
By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,
he lived on earth and went about among us;
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;
he put an end to death by dying for us;
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.
Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company
of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and singing:

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of six staves of music. The first staff is labeled 'Organ' and the second staff is labeled 'All'. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.' The music is in a key with three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and a common time signature (C). The organ part is a simple accompaniment, and the 'All' part is a vocal line.

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.

All 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 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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Please sit or kneel

President Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught 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, saying:

President 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.**

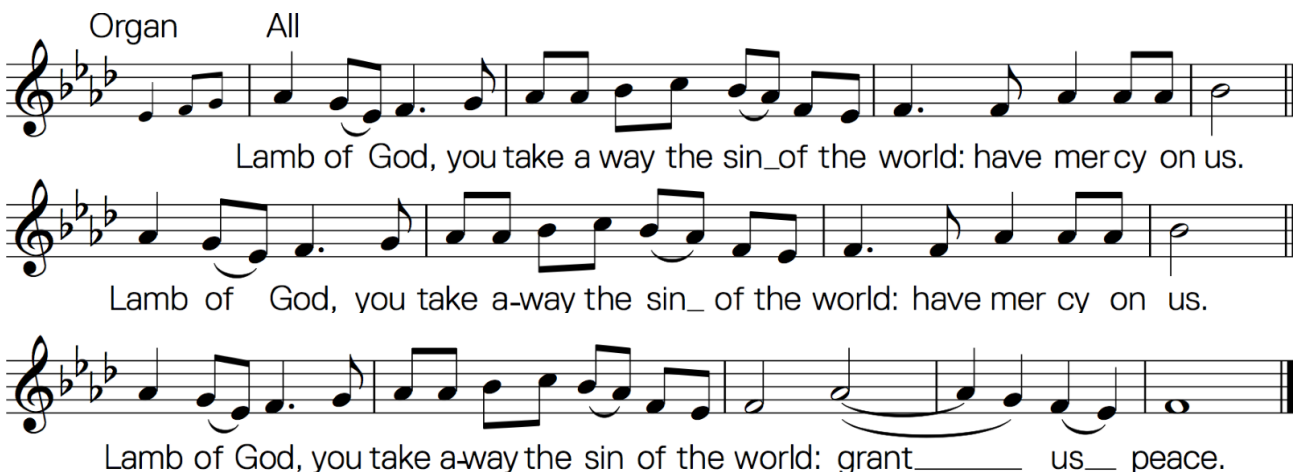
GIVING OF COMMUNION

President Behold 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.**

AGNUS DEI

Organ All



Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

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

All who seek to follow Christ are invited to receive Holy Communion. When directed by the stewards, please go forward. The priest will place the sacrament into your hands with the words 'the Body of Christ'. You should consume the Host immediately and then you will be offered the Chalice with the words 'the Blood of Christ'. To each you respond 'Amen'. Please do not intinct (dip) the Host in the Chalice. If you need to receive a gluten-free wafer (20 parts per million gluten), please tell the priest at the Nave Altar. To receive a prayer of blessing, please fold your arms across your chest.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

President O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining
and whose power we cannot comprehend:
show us your glory as far as we can grasp it,
and shield us from knowing more than we can bear
until we may look upon you without fear;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

All Amen.

**All 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.**

Please stand

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

The image shows four staves of musical notation for a hymn. The key signature is one flat (F major or D minor) and the time signature is 4/4. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The music consists of a series of quarter and eighth notes. The second staff continues the melody. The third staff is marked 'Refrain' and features a similar melodic line. The fourth staff concludes the hymn with a final cadence.

**Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not,
as thou hast been thou for ever wilt be.**

**Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided -
great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.**

**Summer and winter, and spring-time and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.**

Refrain

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!**

Refrain

Words: Thomas Chisholm (1866-1960)
Tune: FAITHFULNESS, William Runyan (1870-1957) CP 453

THE DISMISSAL

THE NOTICES

Please be seated

THE BLESSING

Please stand

President The peace of God, which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Prelude and Fugue in A minor (BWV 559)
attrib. JS Bach (1685-1750)

**Please join us for refreshments after the service
in the De Brome Chapel**

Announcements

CHORAL EVENSONG | Today | 3.30pm | Chancel

Choral Evensong, according to the Book of Common Prayer, is sung by the University Church Choir. The service draws on Scripture and the ancient monastic offices of Vespers and Compline, offering a simple, elegant framework for reflection and prayer.

VOLUNTEERS SOCIAL | 28 June | 4.30pm | Old Library

All volunteers, as well as anyone interested in becoming a volunteer, are invited to our Volunteers Social. Gathering in the Old Library after Evensong, it will be a brilliant place to meet other volunteers, and learn more about the wide range of volunteer roles we have at the University Church. Email Eleanor: visit@universitychurch.ox.ac.uk

ST PETER'S DAY | 29 June | 12.15pm | St Peter in-the-East (St Edmund Hall)

The 12.15pm Eucharist on St Peter's Day will be celebrated at the former church of St Peter in-the-East, part of our parish, which is now in the grounds of St Edmund Hall.

BABY AND TODDLER STAY AND PLAY | 7 July | 2.00pm | Chancel

A relaxed play session for the under 5's and their parents/carers, with songs and a story.

'WHISKEY AND WOOD' EVENSONG & TALK | 19 July | 3.30pm | Nave

Join us for a festal choral evensong followed by whiskey cocktails and a talk by Director of Music, Robert Howarth, marking the centenary of acclaimed Irish composer Charles Wood (15 June 1866–12 July 1926). Wood not only composed wonderful church music, but his interest in old poets and musical styles, bled into one of his most prolific areas of influence, the Christmas Carol. There will also be opportunity to donate to the Christian Aid Burkina Faso project, supporting some of the world's most vulnerable people.

'80S AND '90S SCHOOL ASSEMBLY FAVOURITES | 21 July | 2.00pm | Nave

Whether you attended a British primary school in the 1970s-90s and hold a deep nostalgia for the school assembly hymns of your childhood, or this is an entirely new experience for you, join us around the piano for an inclusive, all-age singalong. We will be making a joyful noise together! From 0-105, children must be accompanied by an adult.

CHRISTIAN AID DONATIONS

Thank you to all who gave so generously to the Christian Aid Week appeal, and to Lyn Robertson for organising the collection. £900.37 was raised (exclusive of Gift Aid).

THURSDAY LUNCHTIME RECITAL SERIES | Thursdays | 1.00pm | Nave

Enjoy a free recital during the lunch hour by musicians from the Royal Academy of Music.

CHARITABLE GIFTS AND DONATIONS



The University Church donates 10% of the cash and direct debits given by worshippers at this service to charity. If you are unable to make a cash donation, please consider using the contactless card machines by the door. Alternatively, you can donate online by using the QR code. Thank you for your generosity.

This Week

Sunday	8.30	Holy Eucharist	<i>Chancel</i>
	10.30	Sung Eucharist	<i>Nave</i>
	15.30	Choral Evensong	<i>Chancel</i>
Monday <i>Alban, c.250</i>	9.00	Morning Prayer	<i>Chancel</i>
	12.15	Eucharist	<i>Chancel</i>
Tuesday <i>Etheldreda, c.678</i>	9.00	Morning Prayer	<i>Chancel</i>
	12.15	Eucharist	<i>Chancel</i>
Wednesday <i>Birth of John the Baptist</i>	9.00	Morning Prayer	<i>Chancel</i>
	12.15	Eucharist	<i>Chancel</i>
Thursday	9.00	Morning Prayer	<i>Chancel</i>
	12.15	Eucharist	<i>Chancel</i>
	13.00	Lunchtime Recital (Free)	<i>Nave</i>
Friday	9.00	Morning Prayer	<i>Chancel</i>
	12.15	Eucharist	<i>Chancel</i>

Next Sunday

Sunday 28 June The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

8.30	Holy Eucharist <i>Preacher: The Revd Canon Dr William Lamb</i>	<i>Chancel</i>
10.30	Sung Eucharist <i>Preacher: The Revd Alan Ramsey</i>	<i>Nave</i>
15.30	Choral Evensong	<i>Chancel</i>
16.30	Volunteers Social	<i>Old Library</i>

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