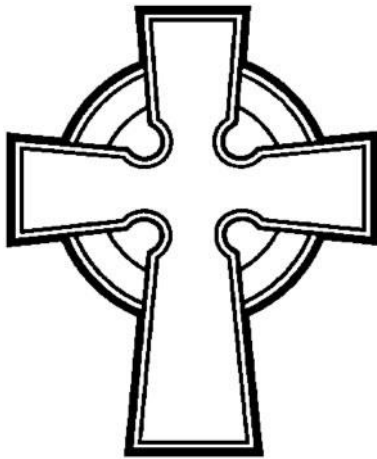


The Cathedral Church of St Paul,
Dundee



Cathedral Eucharist

on the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

17th September 2023 at 10.30 am

Welcome to St Paul's Cathedral

A warm welcome to all who are joining this service, whether in person or online. If you are new here or a visitor, please introduce yourself to one of the welcomers or the clergy.

Young Church usually meet for activities in Castlehill House during the service – any young people are welcome to join in. Please ask a welcomer for more information.

This service is livestreamed at www.facebook.com/stpaulsdundee and will be available to watch there afterwards.

You are invited to join in the words printed in **bold type** in this order of service. Directions for standing, sitting, and kneeling are given, but please feel free to do what is most comfortable for you during the service.

All are invited to receive communion at this service.

Welcomers will guide you when to go forward for communion or a blessing.

Communion is available in both kinds, the bread and the wine.

If you would prefer to receive only the bread, simply bypass the wine and return to your seat.

Gluten-free wafers and communion by intinction are available.

Welcome stewards are on duty to help if you need any information.

- Please switch phones to silent or off.
- If you use a hearing aid, switch it to 'T' for direct access to the sound system.
- Toilets and baby changing facilities are through the side door to the rear of the left-hand aisle.

All are invited to remain for refreshments which will be served at the back of the cathedral after the service.

Other services at St Paul's Cathedral this week:

Thursday 21st September 1.00 pm

Midweek Eucharist

Monday-Thursday

8.30 am

Morning Prayer – *also live-streamed on the Cathedral's Facebook page*

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THE GATHERING

Before the service begins, brief notices are given.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

STAND

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**Great God, awake our hearts to praise!
Your love flows on through all our days.
You hear and answer when we call.
Your grace restores us when we fall.
With all your saints in ev'ry age,
glad hymns of thanks, to you we raise!**

**Your Son gave love a human name;
for us in mortal flesh he came.
Light born from uncreated light
he shines within the starless night.
He loved and loves us to the end;
death could not quench his life's bright flame!**

**Send down Your Spirit, holy fire;
your waiting, praying church inspire.
Renew your Body, Risen Lord,
until our life proclaims your Word.
Bind us in peace and unity;
lift us to praise, one living choir!**

**Great God, one Holy Trinity
your love in all your works we see!
Your truth and faithfulness endure;
in your strong Word we stand secure.
With all your saints we'll sing your praise
now and throughout eternity!**

GREETING

REMAIN STANDING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.
And also with you.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

God is love and we are God's children.
There is no room for fear in love.
We love because God loved us first.
Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

**God, our Creator,
we confess to you
and to our fellow members in the Body of Christ
that we have sinned in thought, word and deed,
and in what we have failed to do.
We are truly sorry.
Forgive us our sins,
and deliver us from the power of evil,
for the sake of your Son who died for us,
Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

God, who is both power and love,
forgive us and free us from our sins,
heal and strengthen us by the Holy Spirit,
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.
Amen.

GLORIA

music: Richard Proulx; © 1991 GIA Publications, Inc.

Organ

All

Glo-ry to God in the high-est and peace to all peo-ple on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, al-might-y God and Fa - ther. We worship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus 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

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right hand of the Fa - ther, re-ceive our prayer.
 For you a-lone are the Holy One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a - lone
 are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, — with the Ho-ly Spir-it in the
 glory of God the Fa - ther. A - - men, a - - men.

COLLECT

Let us pray.

The congregation, still standing, remains for a short time in silent prayer.

God of truth and light,
 your forgiveness transcends
 whatever wrong exists between us.
 By the kindness of our speaking,
 the sharing of our resources,
 and the honouring of your desire for good,
 grant us the courage to forgive others,
 and to practice reconciliation in our daily lives.
 In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING – Genesis 50: 15-21

SIT

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, 'What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?' So they approached Joseph, saying, 'Your father gave this instruction before he died, "Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you." Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father.' Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, 'We are here as your slaves.' But Joseph said to them, 'Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.' In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

PSALM 103: 8-13

REMAIN SEATED

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Antiphon sung first by choir, thereafter by ALL;
congregation read verses in bold print.

antiphon

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

verses

O God, you are compassionate and merciful,
slow to anger and extravagant in love.

**You will not always accuse
nor do you keep your anger for ever.**

You have not dealt with us according to our sins
nor punished us according to our wickedness.

**For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so great is your steadfast love toward those who fear you.**

Antiphon

As far as east is from the west,
so far have you put away our sins from us.

**As a father has compassion for his children,
so you have compassion for those who fear you.**

Antiphon

SECOND READING – Romans 14: 1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are

the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.' So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

STAND

music: Jacques Berthier © Ateliers et Presses de Taizé

Acclamation sung first by choir, thereafter by ALL

We turn to face the Gospel book as it moves to the centre of the congregation

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

choir: Your words, Lord, are spirit and life:
you have the words of everlasting life.

all: **Alleluia...**

GOSPEL READING – Matthew 18: 21-35

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

Glory to Christ our Saviour.

Peter came and said to Jesus, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.'

For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place.

Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord.

all sing: **Alleluia...**

SERMON

SIT

The Revd Roxanne Campbell, Priest for Outreach

After the sermon there is a brief silence for reflection.

The congregation stands when the president stands.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

STAND

**We believe in one God:
the creator of all things,
who loves the whole creation
with a father's tenderness and a mother's strength.**

**We believe in one God:
our Liberator Jesus Christ,
the Word of God made flesh,
true God and truly human;
born among the poor he lived as bringer of God's kingdom;
a teacher and a healer,
a lover of life and a prophet of justice,
forgiver of sins and a friend of sinners,
who welcomed the outcasts and challenged the powerful,
whose death on the cross defeated sin and death,
who rose from the dead
and is alive forever in power and glory.**

**We believe in one God:
the Holy Spirit, the giver of life,
the Breath of life in all life,
the gift of God to the people of God,
Disturber and Comforter,
the fire and the dove,
who makes us one community in peace and love.**

**We believe in one God,
a community of love,
a trinity of holiness,
the beginning and end of all life.
Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

SIT or KNEEL

PEACE

STAND

Jesus said, "Whatever house you enter, first say,
"Peace to this house!"

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

We meet in Christ's name.
Let us share his peace.

We share a sign of Peace with those around us

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

OFFERTORY HYMN

text: Brian Wren; © Hope Publishing Co. (tune: St Botolph)

During this hymn, the offering is received; the bread & wine are brought to the altar.



**¹ I come with joy, a child of God,
forgiven, loved, and free,
the life of Jesus to recall,
in love laid down for me.**

**² I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread.**

**³ As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share,
each proud division ends.
The love that made us, makes us one,
and strangers now are friends.**

**⁴ The spirit of the risen Christ,
unseen, but ever near,
is in such friendship better known,
alive among us here.**

**⁵ Together met, together bound
by all that God has done,
we'll go with joy, to give the world,
the love that makes us one.**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

REMAIN STANDING

**Gracious God,
you call us to your table
to celebrate this feast.
Receive all we offer this day
with our grateful thanks and praise.
Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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 our thanks and praise.

Worship and praise belong to you, O Lord,
in every place and at all times.

All power is yours.
You created the heavens and established the earth;
you sustain in being all that is.

In Christ your Son
our life and yours are brought together in a wonderful exchange.

He made his home among us
that we might for ever dwell in you.

Through your Holy Spirit
you call us to new birth in a creation restored by love.

As children of your redeeming purpose
we offer you our praise
with angels and archangels
and the whole company of heaven,
singing the hymn of your unending glory:

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Ho-san-na'. It consists of five staves of music in a treble clef, with a key signature of two sharps (D major) and a common time signature (C). The first staff is marked 'Organ' and 'All'. The lyrics are written below the notes. The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, with some rests and dynamic markings like 'p' (piano) and 'f' (forte). The lyrics are: 'Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of power and might. Heav-en and earth_ are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he_ who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - sannal in the high - est. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - nal in the high - est.'

Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving God,
for the gift of your Son born in human flesh.
He is the Word existing beyond time,
both source and final purpose,
bringing to wholeness all that is made.
Obedient to your will he died upon the Cross.
By your power you raised him from the dead.
He broke the bonds of evil
and set your people free to be his Body in the world.

On the night when he was given up to death,
knowing that his hour had come,
having loved his own,
he loved them to the end.

At supper with his disciples
he took bread and offered you thanks.
He broke the bread,
and gave it to them, saying:
'Take, eat.
This is my Body: it is broken for you.'

After supper, he took the cup,
he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying:
'Drink this, all of you.
This is my Blood of the new covenant;
it is poured out for you, and for all,
that sins may be forgiven.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

**We now obey your Son's command.
We recall his blessed passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension;
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts
and with them ourselves,
a single, holy, living sacrifice.**

Hear us, most merciful God,
and send your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon this bread and this wine,
that, overshadowed by your Spirit's life-giving power,
they may be the Body and Blood of your Son,
and we may be kindled with the fire of your love
and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

**Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of Christ's Body
to live and work to your praise and glory;
may we grow together in unity and love
until at last, in your new creation,
we enter into our heritage
in the company of the Virgin Mary,
the apostles and prophets,
and of all our brothers and sisters
living and departed.**

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be to you,
Lord of all ages, world without end.



all sing:

A - men, a - men, a - - men.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The living bread is broken for the life of the world.
Lord, unite us in this sign.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rejoicing in God's presence here among us,
as our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

**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.
Do not bring us to the time of trial
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.
Amen.**

INVITATION

This is Christ's table to which all are invited.
Come, for all is now ready.
Thanks be to God.

AGNUS DEI

SIT or KNEEL

music: John L Bell

Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.
Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.
Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us your peace.

COMMUNION

*All are invited to receive.
Please come forward as guided by the stewards.
If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please keep your hands clasped.
At the giving of the bread and wine, we respond:
Amen.*

COMMUNION SONG

text: anon. Mexican; arr't: John L Bell; © 2002 WGRG, Iona Community

**When we are living, we are in the Lord,
and when we're dying, we are in the Lord;
for in our living and in our dying
we belong to God, we belong to God.**

**Each day allows us to decide for good,
loving and serving as we know we should;
in thankful giving, in hopeful living,
we belong to God, we belong to God.**

**Sometimes we sorrow, other times embrace,
sometimes we question everything we face;
yet in our yearning is deeper learning:
we belong to God, we belong to God.**

**Till earth is over may we always know
love never fails us: God has made it so.
Hard times will prove us, never remove us;
we belong to God, we belong to God.**

ANTHEM

text: Ps. 104; music: Mikhail Ippolitov-Ivanov

O bless the Lord, my soul,
and let all that is within me bless his holy name.
O bless the Lord, my soul,
and do not forget all of his generous acts:
who forgives all of your wrongs, your iniquities, your sins,
and who heals all your diseases, all of your ills;
who redeems your life from destruction;
who crowns you with loving kindness,
compassion and steadfast love.

THANKSGIVING AND SENDING OUT

SENTENCE

STAND

Blessed be God.
Giver of the Bread of Life.

PRAYER

**Holy God,
we give thanks
that you call us to the hospitality of your table;
call forth in us the same generosity and grace
as we find in you.
In the power of your Spirit,
raise up in us a hunger for justice,
a commitment to kindness,
that we may show forth your love in all the world.
In Jesus' name we pray.
Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

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**Sing praises, bless the living God;
sing praises, O my soul.
Give blessing, honour to the One
who makes your spirit whole.**

**Do not forget who heals your wounds
and frees your life from sin,
the One who lifts you from the pit
and gives you life again.**

**God fills the hungers of your heart
with never-failing love,
restores your youth that you may rise
as eagles soar above.**

**The Holy One defends the cause
of all who suffer wrong.
The God who set our parents free
still sings a justice song. >>**

**All you who do your Maker's will,
and pray God's will be done,
sing praise with heart and mind and soul.
O bless the Holy One!**

BLESSING

The God of all grace,
who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus,
establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith;
and the blessing of God:
Source of all being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you, this day and always.
Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ.
Amen.

*All are invited or remain for refreshments which will be served at the
back of the Cathedral after the service.*

