

# CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

# SERVICES AND MUSIC APRIL 2025

### THE CHORAL FOUNDATION OF CHRIST CHURCH:

### THE CATHEDRAL CHOIR

When Henry VIII founded Christ Church in 1546 he made provision for the education of a number of boy choristers and a schoolmaster. From these historic roots has grown the current Christ Church Cathedral School, of about 150 pupils aged three to 13, housed in premises built by Dean Liddell (father of Lewis Carroll's 'Alice.') The cathedral choristers are dedicated to their daily music-making, & to the transformational experience that singing in one of the world's most famous choirs brings.

The Lay and Academical Clerks, as part of the choral foundation at Christ Church, sing with the boy choristers, and with Frideswide Voices, at services throughout the year. The Lay Clerks are professional singers, whilst the Academical Clerks are undergraduates reading for a degree at the University of Oxford. The Organist, Peter Holder, and Christ Church Cathedral School welcome enquiries at any time about being a chorister at Christ Church. Please contact the School Registrar on 01865 242561 or email registrar@cccs.org.uk: they will be pleased to arrange a tour of the School and Boarding House or an informal voice trial. www.cccs.org.uk

#### FRIDESWIDE VOICES

Frideswide Voices was the first Anglican choir created specifically for girls of chorister age in Oxford, and was originally formed in October 2014. While they have always had significant links with Christ Church, they became part of the Foundation in September 2019. The girls are drawn from more than 25 different schools across the city and county. They sing Evensong in the Cathedral on most Wednesdays during term-time, as well as singing other services throughout the year.

The Director, Helen Smee, welcomes enquiries about choristerships at any time. Please email helen.smee@chch.ox.ac.uk for further information. chch.ox.ac.uk/frideswidevoices

Unless stated otherwise, all choral services will be sung by members of the Choral Foundation

# OTHER CHOIRS AT CHRIST CHURCH: THE CATHEDRAL SINGERS OF CHRIST CHURCH

The Cathedral Singers is the Cathedral's adult mixed-voice choir, singing when the other choirs are away or on holiday. Under its own professional director and organist, the choir operates a squad system in order to provide choral music for up to 100 services a year. We welcome new singers, who should be confident readers of music. For more information, please email hilary.punnett@chch.ox.ac.uk.

www.cathedralsingers.org.uk

### THE COLLEGE CHOIR OF CHRIST CHURCH

The College Choir is composed of Junior Members of Christ Church and colleagues from across the University. As such, it is the only student-run choir at Oxford to sing in Christ Church Cathedral regularly. In addition to regular services of choral Evensong, Compline, and Eucharist in the Cathedral, the College Choir also sings in local churches and the Oxfordshire community.

The ensemble prides itself on maintaining a high standard of singing in a relaxed, non-auditioned, and friendly atmosphere. If you are an Oxford University student interested in singing with us, please feel free to be in touch at chchcollegechoir@gmail.com.

www.chch.ox.ac.uk/choirs/college-choir

### VISITING CHOIRS

When our own choirs are not in residence, it is a delight to welcome visitors from around the country and beyond. This may be school or university choirs, amateur or professional groups, and they may be with us for a single service, a few days or a whole week. If your choir would like to organise a residency at Christ Church, please get in touch with us at visitingchoirs@chch.ox.ac.uk

31 MARCH – 6 APRIL

CANON IN RESIDENCE THE REVD CANON PROFESSOR LUKE BRETHERTON Regius Professor of Moral & Pastoral Theology

### **MONDAY 31 MARCH**

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Latin Chapel

# 6:05pm Said Evening

**Prayer** 

Said at the West End

Psalm 150

### **TUESDAY 1 APRIL**

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Lady Chapel

### 6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers of Christ Church

or Christ Churcr

Psalm 6

Byrd Responses

D Purcell in E minor

Lloyd View me, Lord

### WEDNESDAY 2 APRIL

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Bell Chapel

1:05pm BCP Communion

### 6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers of Christ Church

Psalms 12-14

Byrd Responses

Forbes L'Estrange King's College

Service

Fauré Cantique de Jean Racine

8:05pm Compline

### THURSDAY 3 APRIL

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Chapel of Remembrance

#### 6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers of Christ Church

Psalm 18

Byrd Responses

Moore Third Service

Aleotti Miserere mei

#### FRIDAY 4 APRIL

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Lucy Chapel

### 6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers of Christ Church

Psalm 22

**Byrd Responses** 

Blow in F

Sweelinck Beati pauperes (prima pars)

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### SATURDAY 5 APRIL

8:15am Morning Prayer

8:35am Said Eucharist

in the Lady Chapel

1:05pm Said Eucharist

### 6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers of Christ Church

Hymn 127

Psalm 28

Byrd Responses

Byrd Second Service

Palestrina Super flumina

Babylonis

### **SUNDAY 6 APRIL**

# The Fifth Sunday of Lent (Passion Sunday)

# 7:35am Said Matins (BCP)

8:05am BCP Communion

11:05am Choral Eucharist

Sung by the Cathedral Singers of Christ Church

Preacher

The Revd Canon Professor

Luke Bretherton

Regius Professor of Moral and

Pastoral Theology

Hymns 112, 277, 125

Psalm 126

Ives Missa Aedis Christi Anerio Christus factus est

### 6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers of Christ Church

Hymn 101

Psalm 35

**B Parry Responses** 

Blair in B minor

Leighton Solus ad victimam

### 7-13 APRIL

# CANON IN RESIDENCE THE VENERABLE JONATHAN CHAFFEY Archdeacon of Oxford

# MONDAY 7 APRIL

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Latin Chapel

### 6:05pm Evening Prayer

Said at the West End

Psalm 37: 1-22

### **TUESDAY 8 APRIL**

7:15am Morning Prayer 7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Lady Chapel

### 6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers of Christ Church

Psalm 42

Morley Responses

Howells Collegium Regale Reger Das Agnus Dei

### WEDNESDAY 9 APRIL

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Bell Chapel

1:05pm BCP Communion

### 6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers of Christ Church

Psalm 49

Morley Responses

Walmisley in D minor

Blow Salvator mundi

### 8:05pm Compline

#### THURSDAY 10 APRIL

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Chapel of Remembrance

#### 6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers of Christ Church

Psalm 55

Morley Responses

Sumsion in G

Lotti Crucifixus à 6

### FRIDAY 11 APRIL

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Lucy Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers of Christ Church

Psalms 59, 60, 61

Morley Responses

Tallis Dorian Service

Purcell Hear my prayer

## SATURDAY 12 APRIL

8:15am Morning Prayer

8:35am Said Eucharist

in the Lady Chapel

### 6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers of Christ Church

Psalm 67

Morley Responses

Offer All Saints' Service

Leighton Drop, drop, slow tears

### **SUNDAY 13 APRIL**

### **PALM SUNDAY**

# 7:35am Said Matins (BCP)

8:05am BCP Communion

### 11:05am Procession and Choral Eucharist

Hymns 128, 499, 119, 108

Lassus Passion according to St

Luke

Weelkes Hosanna to the Son of

David

Vaughan Williams Mass in G

minor

Vaughan Williams O taste and

see

Bach Valet will ich dir geben (BWV 736)

# 6:05pm Choral Evensong

Preacher:

The Revd Dr Zachary Guiliano Priest Vicar

Hymn 122

Psalm 69: 1-14

**Byrd Responses** 

Leighton Second Service

Byrd Ne irascaris, Domine

Bach Herzlich tut mich verlangen

(BWV 727)

### 14-20 APRIL

### **CANON IN RESIDENCE**

THE REVD CANON PROFESSOR ANDREW DAVISON, Regius Professor of Divinity

# MONDAY 14 APRIL MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist in the Latin Chapel

### 6:05pm Choral Evensong

Preacher: The Revd Dr Zachary Guiliano, Priest Vicar

Hymn 'Here is Love', Psalm 89: 1-8

Plainsong Responses Woodside Fauxbourdons Service Humfrey A hymne to God the Father

## TUESDAY 15 APRIL TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

7:15am Morning Prayer 7:35am Said Eucharist in the Lady Chapel

# 6:05pm Evening Prayer

7:30pm Cantata and **Meditations for Holy Week** 

Preacher: The Revd Dr Zachary Guiliano, Priest Vicar

Buxtehude Membra Jesu Nostri

# WEDNESDAY 16 APRIL WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

7:15am Morning Prayer 7:35am Said Eucharist in the Bell Chapel

# 1:05pm BCP Communion 6:05pm Organ Meditation

Preacher: The Revd Dr Zachary Guiliano, Priest Vicar

Moore Via Crucis

### THURSDAY 17 APRIL MAUNDY THURSDAY

7:15am Morning Prayer 11:05am Chrism Mass

Preacher: The Rt Revd Mary Gregory, Bishop of Reading

Rheinberger Mass for double choir in E flat 'Cantus Missae' Op. 109 Elgar Give unto the Lord

### 5:35pm Evening Prayer

### 7:35pm The Liturgy of **Maundy Thursday**

Preacher: The Revd Dr Zachary

Guiliano. Priest Vicar

Hymns 557, 316

Psalm 116: 1, 10-end

Bvrd Mass for four voices Palestrina Dextera Domini

9:05pm The Watch

# FRIDAY 18 APRIL GOOD FRIDAY

7:15am Morning Prayer

10:05am The Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday

Hymn 118 Psalm 22

Victoria Passion according to St John Guerrero O Domine Jesu Christe Poulenc Vinea mea electa

### 3:05pm Journey to the Cross

A Service for Families

### 6:05pm Choral Reflection

Preacher: The Revd Dr Zachary

Guiliano, Priest Vicar

Psalm 73: 1-4, 12-25

Bairstow The Lamentation Gibbons Drop, drop, slow tears Bruckner Christus factus est

# SATURDAY 19 APRIL 8:15am Morning Prayer 5:35pm Evening Prayer

# 8:35pm The Easter Vigil with Baptism, Confirmation & First Eucharist of Easter

Sung by Frideswide Voices, the Frideswide Consort, and the Lay and Academical Clerks

Hymns 138, 159, Psalm 118 Dove *Missa brevis* Byrd *Cibavit eos* 

### **SUNDAY 20 APRIL**

# 7:35am Said Matins (BCP) 8:05am BCP Communion 11:05am Choral Eucharist

Preacher
The Rt Revd Dr Steven Croft
Bishop of Oxford

Hymns 137, 148, 160 Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24

Mozart Spatzenmesse (K. 220) Bassano Dic nobis Maria Widor Toccata (cinquième Symphonie)

### **EASTER DAY**

### 6:05pm Choral Evensong

Hymn 147
Psalm 105: 1–8
Smith Responses
Stanford in A
Vaughan Williams Easter
Vaughan Williams Te Deum in G
Demessieux Te Deum (Op. 11)

### 21-27 APRIL

### CANON IN RESIDENCE **CANON PROFESSOR CAROL HARRISON Lady Margaret Professor of Divinity**

### MONDAY 21 APRIL MONDAY OF EASTER WEEK

6:05pm Evening Prayer Said at the West End

7:15am Morning Prayer

Psalm 135

7:35am Said Eucharist in the Latin Chapel

### TUESDAY 22 APRIL **TUESDAY OF EASTER WEEK**

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers of Christ Church

7:15am Morning Prayer 7:35am Said Eucharist in the Lady Chapel

Psalm 136

M Martin Responses Stanford in B flat Stanford Ye choirs of new Jerusalem

# WEDNESDAY 23 APRIL WEDNESDAY OF EASTER **WEEK**

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers of Christ Church

7:15am Morning Prayer

Psalm 105

7:35am Said Eucharist in the Bell Chapel

M Martin Responses Sumsion in A Chilcott Thy Arising

### 1:05pm BCP Communion

# THURSDAY 24 APRIL THURSDAY OF EASTER **WEEK**

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers of Christ Church

7:15am Morning Prayer

Hymn 250 Psalm 148

7:35am Said Eucharist in the Chapel of Remembrance

M Martin Responses Jackson in G Elgar The Spirit of the Lord

# FRIDAY 25 APRIL FRIDAY OF EASTER WEEK

7:15am Morning Prayer

**7:35am Said Eucharist** *in the Lucy Chapel* 

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers of Christ Church

Psalm 107

Byrd Responses Gibbons *Short service* Lusitano *Regina caeli* 

# SATURDAY 26 APRIL SATURDAY OF EASTER WEEK

8:15am Morning Prayer 8:35am Said Eucharist in the Lady Chapel

### 6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers of Christ Church

Hymn 150 Psalm 145

Martin Responses Bairstow *in D* Hadley *My beloved spake* 

### **SUNDAY 27 APRIL**

### 7:35am Said Matins (BCP) 8:05am BCP Communion

# 11:05am Choral Eucharist

Sung by the Cathedral Singers of Christ Church

Preacher

Canon Professor Carol Harrison Lady Margaret Professor of Divinity

Hymns 162, 141 t.2, 135 Psalm 118: 14-end

Leighton Communion Service in D Bairstow I sat down under his shadow

# The Second Sunday of Easter

### 6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers of Christ Church

Hymn 628 Psalm 16

Martin Responses

Dyson in D

Baigent Rise heart

28 APRIL -**4 MAY** 

CANON IN RESIDENCE THE REVD CANON PROFESSOR ANDREW DAVISON.

**Regius Professor of Divinity** 

MONDAY 28 APRIL GEORGE, MARTYR, PATRON of England, c. 304

6:05pm Evening Prayer Said at the West End

Psalms 3.11

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist in the Latin Chapel

TUESDAY 29 APRIL MARK THE EVANGELIST

7:15am Morning Prayer 7:35am Said Eucharist in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Solemn Evensong

Hymn 568 Psalm 45 Byrd Responses

Bvrd Second Service Byrd Christ rising again

WEDNESDAY 30 APRIL

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist in the Bell Chapel

1:05pm BCP Communion

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 147

Leighton Responses Harwood in A flat Whitbourn Give us the wings of faith

THURSDAY 1 MAY PHILIP AND JAMES. APOSTLES

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist in the Chapel of Remembrance 6:05pm Solemn Evensong

Celebrating the 80th anniversary of Christian Aid

Psalm 149

Byrd Responses Wise in F flat Byrd Haec dies

# FRIDAY 2 MAY 7:15am Morning Prayer 7:35am Said Eucharist in the Lucy Chapel

# 6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 14
Byrd Responses
Victoria Magnificat primi toni
Hassler O admirabile

commercium

## SATURDAY 3 MAY 8:15am Morning Prayer 8:35am Said Eucharist in the Lady Chapel

### 6:05pm Choral Evensong

Hymn 145
Psalm 18: 1–15
Byrd Responses
Farrington *Blues Service*arr. Scott *How can I keep from singing?* 

### **SUNDAY 4 MAY**

# 7:35am Said Matins (BCP) 8:05am BCP Communion 11:05am Choral Eucharist

Preacher
The Revd Canon Professor
Luke Bretherton
Regius Professor of Moral and
Pastoral Theology
Hymns 148, 311, 627

Psalm 30
Padilla Missa Ego flos campi
Guerrero O sacrum convivium

# The Third Sunday of Easter

### 6:05pm Choral Evensong

Hymn 152
Psalm 86
Leighton Responses
Leighton Second Service
Wesley Blessed be the God and
Father

### **UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE CATHEDRAL**

### Wednesdays at 8:05pm - Compline in Lent

Compline is the final service of the day, originating in monastic bedtime prayers. It is a quiet and reflective service, focusing on God's protection and love and our trust in God. During Lent, Compline will be sung congregationally on Wednesday 2 and 9 April at 8pm. All are welcome to come to finish the day together in candlelight, with beautiful music and space for contemplation.

### **Embroidery Retreats: Stitching the Cross**

Suellen Pedley and the cathedral clergy are preparing another set of embroidery retreats focusing on the development of Christian symbolism and the cross. Please contact the Priest Vicar if you are interested in participating (zachary.guiliano@chch.ox.ac.uk). Retreats will take place 2 and 9 April, lasting from 10am to 4pm. Cost: £30 plus the cost of a slate frame (if required): includes materials, instruction, refreshments, and lunch in Christ Church Great Hall.

#### **Holy Week**

Holy Week begins with the procession of palms on Palm Sunday, 13 April. The Holy Week liturgies are unlike anything else in the church year, and can be extremely powerful – all are welcome, but if you plan to come to join us please check the times carefully, as services are not always at the usual 6pm! The Priest Vicar will preach a sermon series during Holy Week, at evening services from Palm Sunday onwards.

#### Dietrich Buxtehude's Membra Iesu Nostri

On Tuesday 15th April at 7:30 pm, the Cathedral Choir will perform Dietrich Buxtehude's beautiful Passiontide cantata cycle Membra lesu Nostri as a devotional performance within our Holy Week programme. Between the cantatas, there will be three meditations from our Priest Vicar, The Revd Dr Zack Guiliano, guiding you in accessing the ideas, emotions and theology of the work. The concert is offered as an act of worship, and therefore admission will be free, and no booking is required.

### **Maundy Thursday**

Part of the liturgy of Maundy Thursday is the washing of feet, reflecting Jesus doing this for his disciples at the Last Supper. If you would like to have your feet washed during that service (or if you would be prepared to volunteer!) please contact the Precentor: philippa.white@chch.ox.ac.uk

### **NEWS**

### New Music from the Cathedral Singers

The Cathedral Singers are excited to announce the upcoming release of their latest recording project, which features sacred choral music by contemporary composers, specially commissioned for the choir's daily services, alongside new organ music, played by Simon Hogan. This disc features premiere recordings of works by Alison Willis, Anthony Gray, Ben Rowarth, Bertie Baigent, Cheryl Frances-Hoad, David Bednall, Grayston Ives, James Potter and Sarah Rimkus. Preorder or find out more at: https://conviviumrecords.co.uk/product/missa-gedis-christi/

Saturday 17 May – Frideswide Voices' Be a Chorister for a Day Each year, the Cathedral hosts a selection of taster events for girls, boys and their families. Frideswide Voices will be holding a 'Be a Chorister' afternoon for girls to experience what it might be like to become a Frideswide chorister. The Director, Helen Smee, welcomes enquiries about choristerships at any time. Please email helen. smee@chch.ox.ac.uk

Farewell to Janet Proudman, our Licensed Lay Minister We will be saying goodbye to our Licensed Lay Minister, Janet Proudman, at Evensong on Easter Day. Janet has been a valued member of our community and ministry team, taking up the role of LLM in January 2018. There will be an opportunity to say goodbye to Janet over drinks at 6:05pm Evensong on Sunday 20 April; we hope to see you there.

The Revd Dr Zachary Guiliano to take up new role as Rector of Emmanuel Memorial Episcopal Church, Champaign, Illinois The Revd Dr Zachary Guiliano, our Priest Vicar, has been appointed as Rector of Emmanuel Memorial Episcopal Church in Champaign, Illinois, United States of America. Zack has been part of our Cathedral community since October 2023, and as he prepares for this next stage in his ministry, we hold Zack and his family in our prayers. There will be an opportunity to say goodbye to Zack over drinks at 6:05pm Evensong on Sunday 27 April; we hope to see you there.



For more news and information about upcoming events, you can sign up to our regular newsletter by scanning the QR code, or using the link below

chch.ox.ac.uk/cathedral/about/ subscribe-cathedral-email-newsletter

### VOLUNTEERING

The Cathedral wouldn't be able to function without its 400 or so volunteers. We are always looking for people to join many of our teams, including Guides, Stewards, Servers, Schools and Children, Refreshments, etc. If you'd like to join a friendly community, share your skills, or learn something new, please get in touch with: miranda.hockliffe@chch.ox.ac.uk

#### HEARING LOOP



The Cathedral has a hearing loop. The system is most effective in the centre and away from the pillars.

### SAFEGUARDING

### Safeguarding

If you have any concerns about the safety of a child or vulnerable adult in or around Christ Church Cathedral, please let us know immediately. Please speak to any member of the clergy or verger team on duty, or contact a member of the safeguarding team:

Lisa Wilkins (Cathedral Safeguarding Officer) lisa.wilkins@chch.ox.ac.uk / 07746 046009

Zack Guiliano (Associate Cathedral Safeguarding Officer) zachary.quiliano@chch.ox.ac.uk

Matthew Dickins (Associate Cathedral Safeguarding Officer) matthew.dickins@chch.ox.ac.uk / 01865 610935

If you believe that a child or adult is in immediate danger of significant or serious harm, you should contact the police on 999.

#### **EVACUATION PROCEDURE**

In the unlikely event of an emergency, please follow the instructions of the Vergers, and calmly make your way out through the West (Main) door – or alternative exit if necessary – and move away from the building.