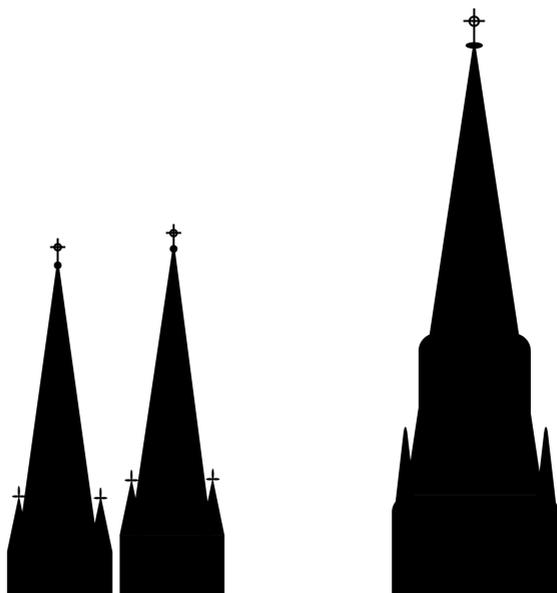


# St Mary's Cathedral

Palmerston Place, Edinburgh



Livestreamed  
Cathedral Eucharist  
for Epiphany-tide

3.30pm

## Welcome to St Mary's Cathedral

Our service, which is laid out in this booklet, is a **Eucharist**. Although we cannot gather together in person, we continue to come together as Christ's body, reflecting on scripture and praying for our world. As part of today's service, the celebrant and preacher will share bread and wine as Christ's body and blood given for the life of all. They do so on behalf of us all.

We invite you as you follow the service to join in the words in bold.

*We gather*

## **Welcome**

Grace and peace to you from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

## **Collect for Purity**

**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.**

## **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.

*Silence*

**God our Father, 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**

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to God's people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**Collect of the Day** - *a particular prayer for this week*

*We listen for God's Word*

## **First Reading**

*which concludes:*

**The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm**

## **Gospel**

*When it is announced:*

**Glory to Christ our Saviour.**

*At the end:*

**Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.  
Praise to Christ our Lord.**

## **Homily**

*We reflect together on what our readings reveal for us today.*

*We respond in faith and prayer*

## **Intercessions**

*Prayer is offered for the world and all its people,  
particularly for those who suffer and those in need,  
and for the Church and its calling.*

## **Peace**

We meet in Christ's name.

**Let us share his peace.**

*We Celebrate Communion*

## **Prayers of Offering**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation;  
through your goodness we have this bread to offer,  
which earth has given and human hands have made:  
it will become for us the bread of life.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation;  
through your goodness we have this wine to offer,  
fruit of the vine and work of human hands;  
it will become the cup of our salvation.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

## **Eucharistic Prayer**

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 God thanks and praise.**

Worship and praise belong to you, God our maker.  
Out of nothing, you called all worlds to be,  
and still you draw the universe to its fulfilment.  
Dawn and evening celebrate your glory  
till time shall be no more.

In Christ, your only-begotten Son,  
you have revealed yourself to the world.  
By the guiding of a star, you made him known to the nations  
as the son of David and king of Israel;  
that in following him, we might be led from darkness  
and into his marvellous light.

Filled with the Spirit,  
who descended upon your Son at his Baptism in the Jordan,  
we who are baptised in his name  
strive for his heavenly kingdom  
in whose radiance we are transfigured  
and the earth is transformed.

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

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving Father.  
In Jesus the Messiah you have come to us.  
Our hope is built on him in whom you are well pleased.  
Having been shown to the world as your beloved Son,  
he proclaimed the good news of your kingdom.  
The blind received their sight, the lame walked,  
the lepers were cleansed, and the captives set free.  
At his word, water became wine,  
the hungry were filled with bread,  
and the dead were raised.

Before he was given up to suffering and death,  
desiring to complete the work for which he came into the world,  
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 Father,  
and send your Holy Spirit upon us  
and upon this bread and this wine,  
that, overshadowed by the 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.  
**Amen.**

## **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**

As our Saviour Christ has commanded and taught us,  
we are bold to say:

**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.**

## **Agnus Dei**

Jesus, Lamb of God: **have mercy on us.**  
Jesus, bearer of our sins: **have mercy on us.**  
Jesus, redeemer of the world: **give us your peace.**

## **Communion**

The gifts of God for the people of God.  
**Amen.**

*Communion is shared with the words:*

The Body of Christ given for you. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ shed for you. **Amen.**

*We give thanks and are sent out*

## **Sentence**

Give thanks to our gracious God,  
**whose mercy endures for ever.**

## **Post Communion Prayer**

**Father, we have broken the bread which is Christ's body,  
we have tasted the wine of his new life.**

**We thank you for these gifts  
by which we are made one in him  
and drawn into that new creation which is your will for all;  
through him who died for us and rose again,  
your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## **Blessing**

Christ the Son of God gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

## **Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ.**

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