



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

**SERVICES AND MUSIC
JUNE 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 www.chchchoir.org

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

26 MAY – 1 JUNE

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

MONDAY 26 MAY

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Latin Chapel

6:05pm Evening Prayer

Said at the West End

Psalm 119: 145–160

TUESDAY 27 MAY

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers

Psalms 126, 127, 128

Rose Responses

Moeran *in D*

Soriano *Regina caeli*

WEDNESDAY 28 MAY

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

Psalms 15, 24

Byrd Responses

Gibbons *Short service*

Philips *Ascendit Deus*

8:35pm College Taizé

THURSDAY 29 MAY
ASCENSION DAY

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Chapel of Remembrance

6:05pm Choral Eucharist

Sung by the Cathedral Singers

Preacher

The Revd Canon Peter Moger

Sub Dean

Hymns 168, 278, 163

Psalm 47

Darke *in E*

Finzi *God is gone up*

FRIDAY 30 MAY

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lucy Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers

Psalm 45

Rose Responses

Whitlock *Fauxbourdons*

Dett *Ave Maria*

SATURDAY 31 MAY

**The Visit of the Blessed
Virgin Mary to Elizabeth**

8:15am Morning Prayer

8:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Solemn Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers

Hymn 241

Psalms 122, 127, 128

Rose Responses

Stanford *in G*

Bruckner *Ave Maria*

SUNDAY 1 JUNE

**The Seventh Sunday of Easter
(Sunday After Ascension Day)**

7:35am Said Matins (BCP)

8:05am BCP Communion

11:05am Choral Eucharist
Sung by the Cathedral Singers

Preacher

Canon Professor Carol Harrison
*Lady Margaret Professor of
Divinity*

Hymn 166, 372, 165

Psalm 97

Jackson *in G*

Bonis *Ave verum*

Bingham *Et cognoverunt eum*

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers

Hymn 172

Psalm 68

Byrd Responses

Wise *in F*

Tallis *O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit*

Rogg *Toccata*

2–8 JUNE

CANON IN RESIDENCE THE REVD CANON PETER MOGER *Sub Dean*

MONDAY 2 JUNE

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Latin Chapel

6:05pm Evening Prayer

Said at the West End

Psalm 14

TUESDAY 3 JUNE

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 18: 1–15

Grier Responses

Byrd *Third Service*

Byrd *Teach me, O Lord*

**7:35pm Roman Catholic
Mass**

WEDNESDAY 4 JUNE

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Bell Chapel

1:05pm BCP Communion

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 22: 1–12

Smith Responses

Walmisley *in D minor*

Daley *Upon your heart*

THURSDAY 5 JUNE

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Chapel of Remembrance

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 27

Grier Responses

Dyson *in F*

Taverner *Mater Christi
sanctissima*

FRIDAY 6 JUNE

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lucy Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Hymn 573
Psalm 32
Grier Responses
Tomkins *Second Service*
Byrd *Prevent us, O Lord*

SATURDAY 7 JUNE

8:15am Morning Prayer

8:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Hymn 181 (t. 1)
Psalm 48
Grier Responses
Howells *Collegium Regale*
Tallis *Loquebantur variis linguis*

SUNDAY 8 JUNE

7:35am Said Matins (BCP)

8:05am BCP Communion

11:05am Choral Eucharist

with University Sermon

Preacher: The Revd Canon Dr Victoria Johnson

Dean of Chapel of St John's College, Cambridge

Hymns 175, 186, 191

Psalm 104: 26–36, 37b

Stravinsky *Mass*

Tallis *If ye love me*

Messiaen *Sortie (Le vent de l'Esprit)* from *Messe de la Pentecôte*

Day of Pentecost (Whit Sunday)

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Hymn 179
Psalm 33: 1–12
Grier Responses
Stanford *in B flat*
Stanford *O for a closer walk with God*
Duruflé *Choral varié sur le thème du "Veni creator" (Op. 4)*

9–15 JUNE

CANON IN RESIDENCE
THE REVD CANON PROFESSOR ANDREW DAVISON
Regius Professor of Divinity

MONDAY 9 JUNE

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Latin Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by Kent College Choristers

Psalms 47, 48

Cowgill Responses

Parry *in A*

Ruther *I will sing with the Spirit*

TUESDAY 10 JUNE

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Evening Prayer

Said at the West End

Psalms 1, 15

WEDNESDAY 11 JUNE
Barnabas the Apostle

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Bell Chapel

1:05pm BCP Communion

6:05pm Solemn Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers

Hymn 229

Psalm 147

Clucas Responses

Whitlock *in D*

Stanford *Beati quorum via*

THURSDAY 12 JUNE

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Chapel of Remembrance

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 67

Plainsong Responses

Watson *in F*

Handel *How beautiful are the feet*

FRIDAY 13 JUNE

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lucy Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalms 69: 1–14

Tallis Responses

Batten *Short Service*

White *Christe qui lux es et dies (I)*

SATURDAY 14 JUNE

8:15am Morning Prayer

8:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

*Sung with the choristers of
Grace Cathedral Choir, San
Francisco*

Hymn 459

Psalms 97, 98

Vaughan Williams *The Call*

Plainsong Responses

Moore *Second Service*

Hurford *Litany to the Holy Spirit*

SUNDAY 15 JUNE

7:35am Said Matins (BCP)

8:05am BCP Communion

11:05am Choral Eucharist

Preacher:

**The Revd Canon Professor
Andrew Davison**

Regius Professor of Divinity

Hymns 202, 203, 426

Psalms 8

Haydn *Missa brevis Sancti*

Joannis de Deo

Tchaikovsky *Hymn to the Trinity*

Bach *Fugue in G major (BWV 576)*

TRINITY SUNDAY

6:05pm Solemn Evensong

Leavers' Evensong

Hymn 474

Psalms 73: 1–3, 16–end

Byrd Responses

Palestrina *Magnificat primi toni a 8*

Tye *Nunc dimittis*

Weelkes *Gloria in excelsis Deo*

Bach *Wir Glauben all' an einen*

Gott (BWV 680)

16–22 JUNE

CANON IN RESIDENCE THE VENERABLE JONATHAN CHAFFEY *Archdeacon of Oxford*

MONDAY 16 JUNE

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Latin Chapel

6:05pm Evening Prayer

Said at the West End

Psalm 84

TUESDAY 17 JUNE

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 89: 1–19

Byrd Responses

Blow *in F*

Gibbons *Great Lord of Lords*

WEDNESDAY 18 JUNE

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Bell Chapel

1:05pm BCP Communion

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalms 110, 111

Spicer Responses (Set Two)

Murrill *in E*

Finzi *Welcome, sweet and sacred feast*

THURSDAY 19 JUNE

**Day of Thanksgiving for
Holy Communion
(Corpus Christi)**

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Chapel of Remembrance

6:05pm Choral Eucharist

Preacher

The Revd Philippa White

Precentor

Hymns 324, 295, 329

Psalm 116: 10–end

Byrd *Mass for four voices*

Guerrero *O sacrum convivium*

FRIDAY 20 JUNE

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lucy Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 104: 1–23
Byrd Responses
Morley *Short Service*
Sheppard *Libera nos, salva nos*

SATURDAY 21 JUNE

8:15am Morning Prayer

8:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Hymn 516 t.2
Psalm 106: 1–12
Tallis Responses
Parsons *First Service*
Byrd *Laudibus in sanctis*

SUNDAY 22 JUNE

The First Sunday After Trinity

7:35am Said Matins (BCP)

8:05am BCP Communion

11:05am Choral Eucharist

Preacher

The Revd Philippa White
Precentor

Hymns 534 t. 424, 279, 521 t. St
Leonard's
Psalm 22: 19–28

Mozart *Missa brevis in D (KV 194)*

Byrd *Venite comedite*

Bach *Prelude and Fugue in G*
(BWV 541)

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Hymn 368
Psalm 57
Rose Responses
Leighton *Collegium Magdalenae
Oxoniensis*
Bainton *And I saw a new heaven*
Mendelssohn *Allegro maestoso e
vivace* and *Fuga (Sonata No 2)*

23–29 JUNE

CANON IN RESIDENCE THE REVD CANON PETER MOGER *Sub Dean*

MONDAY 23 JUNE

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Latin Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

*Sung by Highland Park UMC
Chancel Choir*

Psalm 71

Phillips Responses

Brewer *in D*

Chilcott *When I survey the
wondrous cross*

TUESDAY 24 JUNE

The Birth of John the Baptist

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Hymn 34

Psalms 80, 82

Grier Responses

Sumsion *in G*

MacMillan *Benedictus Deus*

WEDNESDAY 25 JUNE

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Bell Chapel

1:05pm BCP Communion

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 119: 73–88

Ayleward Responses

Aston *in F*

Walton *The Twelve*

THURSDAY 26 JUNE

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Chapel of Remembrance

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 119: 145–160

Grier Responses

Batten *Fourth Service*

Purcell *Thy word is a lantern*

FRIDAY 27 JUNE

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lucy Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong
with Founder's Prayers

Psalms 126, 127, 128

Taverner *Christe Jesu, pastor bone*

Grier Responses

Watson *in E*

Walton *Jubilate Deo*

SATURDAY 28 JUNE

8:15am Morning Prayer

8:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

**5:05pm Solemn Vespers for
the 500th Anniversary of the
House**

SUNDAY 29 JUNE

Peter and Paul, Apostles

7:35am Said Matins (BCP)

8:05am BCP Communion

11:05am Choral Eucharist

Preacher

The Revd Canon Peter Moger

Sub Dean

Hymns 214, 277, 222

Psalm 125

Mozart *Missa Brevis in F (K 192)*

Duruflé *Tu es Petrus*

Widor *Marche pontificale* from
Symphony No 1 (Op 13)

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Hymn 225

Psalms 124, 138

Grier Responses

Frances-Hoad *Peterborough
Service*

Pärt *The Beatitudes*

Gigout *Grand chœur dialogue*

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE CATHEDRAL

11:05am Sunday 8 June – University Sermon for Pentecost

The feast of Pentecost ('the fiftieth day') recalls and celebrates the sending of the Holy Spirit to empower the disciples of Jesus to 'go and make disciples of all nations' as the risen Jesus had commanded them. Through the Spirit, we are still called, constituted, and commissioned as Christ's people. We welcome the Revd Dr Victoria Johnson, Dean of Chapel at St John's College Cambridge as the preacher for this University Sermon for Pentecost.

6:05pm Sunday 15 June - Leavers' Evensong

Join us for Evensong on Sunday of 8th Week to say goodbye to the soon-to-be graduates of the House, and to celebrate the end of the academic year. Our College Chaplain, The Revd Dr Kirsty Borthwick, would be delighted to have you join us for this farewell service, followed by drinks in the Cathedral. We especially encourage Members of the House to come and give support to those departing.

5:05pm Saturday 28 June – Solemn Vespers for the 500th Anniversary of the House

This year Christ Church in Oxford celebrates the five hundredth anniversary of the foundation of Cardinal Thomas Wolsey's Cardinal College on the site of the former Augustinian Priory of St Frideswide. To mark this significant moment in our history, a series of events have been planned, including a celebration of Solemn Vespers. This service of Vespers will be sung by the boy choristers and adult clerks of the Cathedral Choir, directed by the Organist, Peter Holder. The music will include the world premiere of a newly-commissioned Latin setting of the Magnificat by the Master of the King's Music, Errollyn Wallen.



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](https://chch.ox.ac.uk/cathedral/about/subscribe-cathedral-email-newsletter)*

NEWS

Friends of Christ Church Cathedral Summer Gathering and AGM on Saturday 14 June

On Saturday 14 June at 14:30, the Cathedral Friends will hold their summer gathering including a talk on 'Rags, Bags and Cocktails' by Julia Miles, Author of 'The Ambassador's Wife's Tale'. This event gives us an opportunity to celebrate the Cathedral in its beauty, its wonderful community, and its vital role as a centre for worship, welcome and fellowship. The event is open to all; if you are interested in coming along or finding out more about the Cathedral Friends and how they support our ministry, write to their Honorary Secretary, Patrick Leavey, at leavey.patrick@googlemail.com.

Parish Picnic on Sunday 15 June

All members of the congregation are warmly invited to bring a picnic lunch for consumption in the Cathedral garden (or Chapter House, in the event of poor weather) after Choral Eucharist on Sunday 15 June. You are most welcome to bring a picnic blanket, however chairs will be provided by the Cathedral, as too will drinks and glasses.

Parking and the Christ Church Ball, 21 & 22 June

The triennial College Ball will take place on Saturday 21st of June. This means that we will be unable to offer any discretionary parking spaces on Sunday the 22nd of June. Blue badge parking spaces will be available as normal on St Aldate's and Pembroke Square. We apologise for any inconvenience caused, and please contact us at cathedral@chch.ox.ac.uk if you have any questions or concerns.

Magnificat: Cathedral Choir In Concert with New and Magdalen College Choirs, Tuesday 1 July

The choirs of Oxford's three oldest Choral Foundations, including our Cathedral Choir and Frideswide voices, join forces at Oxford Town Hall later this summer for a special Oxford Arts Festival performance of Bach's Magnificat. The programme opens with Handel's cantata Ode for St Cecilia's Day, and also includes Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No.4, performed by the Instruments of Time and Truth. Tickets are available now at: artsfestivaloxford.org/events/magnificat/

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:

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Philippa White (Associate Cathedral Safeguarding Officer)

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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.