



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

**SERVICES AND MUSIC
JULY 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 Manager, Valentyna Dmytriieva, welcomes enquiries about choristerships at any time. Please email valentyna.dmytriieva@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 simon.hogan@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

30 JUNE – 6 JULY

CANON IN RESIDENCE
THE REVD CANON PROFESSOR
ANDREW DAVISON, REGIUS PROFESSOR OF DIVINITY

MONDAY 30 JUNE

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Latin Chapel

6:05pm Evening Prayer

said at the West End

Psalm 147

TUESDAY 1 JULY

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Evening Prayer

Said at the West End

Psalm 7

WEDNESDAY 2 JULY

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Bell Chapel

1:05pm BCP Communion

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 27

Smith Responses

Dyson *in D*

Wesley *The Lord hath been
mindful of us*

THURSDAY 3 JULY

Thomas the Apostle

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Chapel of Remembrance

6:05pm Choral Eucharist

Preacher

The Revd Canon Professor

Oliver O'Donovan

*Regius Professor of Moral and
Pastoral Theology 1982–2006*

Hymns 'Blessed Thomas' t. 502,
308, 'Strong Son of God' t. 430

Taverner *Western Wynde Mass*

FRIDAY 4 JULY

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lucy Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 22: 1–12
Tallis Responses
Tallis *Short Service*
Taverner *In pace*

SATURDAY 5 JULY

8:15am Morning Prayer

8:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

**10:05am Ordination of
Deacons**

**2:05pm Ordination of
Deacons**

6:05pm Choral Evensong

*with the Valediction of Helen
Smee (Director of Frideswide
Voices) and Frideswide Voices
Choristers*

Hymns 466, 'What is our all'
Psalm 65

Bach *Mein gläubiges Herze*
Gull Responses
Howells *Gloucester Service*
Stanford *For lo, I raise up*

SUNDAY 6 JULY

7:35am Said Matins (BCP)

8:05am BCP Communion

11:05am Choral Eucharist

Preacher

The Very Revd Professor Sarah
Foot
Dean

Hymns 619, 318, 437 t. 362
Psalm 30

Taverner *Western Wynde Mass*
Byrd *Ave verum corpus*
Pott *Laudes*

The Third Sunday After Trinity

6:05pm Choral Evensong

*with the Valediction of
Cathedral Choristers and
Clerks*

Hymns 351, 516 t. 2
Psalm 91

Grier Responses
Stanford *in G*
Schütz *Jauchzet dem Herren*
Widor *Toccata (Symphony No 5)*

7-13 JULY

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

MONDAY 7 JULY

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Latin Chapel

6:05pm Evening Prayer

said at the West End

Psalms 37: 1-11

TUESDAY 8 JULY

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

*sung by the Cathedral Singers
of Christ Church*

Psalms 42, 43

Forbes L'Estrange Responses

Noble *in B minor*

Joubert *O Lorde the maker of
al thing*

WEDNESDAY 9 JULY

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 47

Forbes L'Estrange Responses

Dyson *in F*

I. Holst *A hymne to Christ*

THURSDAY 10 JULY

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*

Psalms 55

Smith Responses

Weelkes *Short service*

Blitheman *In pace*

FRIDAY 11 JULY

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 61
Smith Responses
Gibbons *Short service*
Gibbons *Almighty and everlasting
God*

SATURDAY 12 JULY

8:15am Morning Prayer

8:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

**11:05am Turning of the
Pages**

1:05pm Said Eucharist

6:05pm Choral Evensong
*sung by the Cathedral Singers
of Christ Church*

Hymn 573
Psalm 65
Forbes L'Estrange Responses
Blair *in B minor*
Rheinberger *Abendlied*

SUNDAY 13 JULY

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 Peter Moger
Sub Dean

Hymn 380, 581 t. 2, 515
Psalm 82

Byrd *Mass for four voices*
Byrd *Ave verum corpus*

The Fourth Sunday After Trinity

6:05pm Choral Evensong
*sung by the Cathedral Singers
of Christ Church*

Hymn 583
Psalm 77
Forbes L'Estrange Responses
Aston *in F*
Wilby *If ye love me*

14–20 JULY

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

MONDAY 14 JULY

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Latin Chapel

6:05pm Evening Prayer

said at the West End

Psalm 74: 1–12

TUESDAY 15 JULY

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 78: 32–end

B. Parry Responses

Redford St Thomas Service

Martin Te lucis ante terminum

WEDNESDAY 16 JULY

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 84, 85

B. Parry Responses

Sumsion in G

*Howells O pray for the peace of
Jerusalem*

THURSDAY 17 JULY

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 89

B. Parry Responses

Noble in A minor

*Brahms Wie lieblich sind deine
Wohnungen*

FRIDAY 18 JULY

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 93, 94

B. Parry Responses

Potter *Alternative canticles*

Weir *Love bade me welcome*

SATURDAY 19 JULY

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 585

Psalm 98

B. Parry Responses

Stanford *in C*

Balfour Gardiner *Evening hymn*

SUNDAY 20 JULY

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 572, 279, 483

Psalm 52

Darke *in E*

Randall *The Call*

The Fifth Sunday After Trinity

6:05pm Choral Evensong
*with the Valediction of the
Revd Philippa White, Precentor.
Sung by Frideswide Voices.*

Hymn 502

Psalm 81

Purcell *O God, thou art my God*

Rose Responses

Stanford *in G*

Brahms *Geistliches lied*

21–27 JULY

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

MONDAY 21 JULY

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Latin Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong
sung by Duke University Choir

Psalm 139

M. Martin Responses
Lehman *Evening Service*
Walton *Set me as a Seal*

TUESDAY 22 JULY

Mary Magdalene

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Solemn Evensong
sung by the Cathedral Singers
of Christ Church

Hymn 162; Psalm 63

Martin Responses
Forbes L'Estrange *Kings College*
Service
Victoria *Lauda mater Ecclesia*

WEDNESDAY 23 JULY

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 114, 115

Martin Responses
Sumsion *in A*
Stanford *O for a closer walk with*
God

THURSDAY 24 JULY

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 144

Clucas Responses
Wood *in E flat No 2*
Sumsion *They that go down to*
the sea in ships

FRIDAY 25 JULY
James the Apostle

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lucy Chapel

6:05pm Solemn Evensong
*sung by the Cathedral Singers
of Christ Church*

Hymn 230

Psalm 94

Clucas Responses
Stainer *in B flat*
Bruckner *Os justi*

SATURDAY 26 JULY
8:15am Morning Prayer
8:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong
*sung by the Cathedral Singers
of Christ Church and Duke
University Choir*

Hymn 317

Psalm 119: 145–176

Rose Responses

Jackson *in G*

Wood *Hail, Gladdening Light*

SUNDAY 27 JULY

**The Sixth Sunday
After Trinity**

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
Andrew Davison
Regius Professor of Divinity

Hymns 368, 309, 455
Psalm 85

Caesar *Missa brevis*
Tchaikovsky *Otche nash*

6:05pm Choral Evensong
*with the Valediction of Hilary
Punnett, Director of the
Cathedral Singers.*
*Sung by the Cathedral Singers
of Christ Church*

Hymns 618, 604

Psalm 88

Martin Responses

Dyson *in D*

Parry *I was glad*

28 JULY – 3 AUGUST

MONDAY 28 JULY

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Latin Chapel

CANON IN RESIDENCE
THE VEN JONATHAN CHAFFEY
Archdeacon of Oxford

6:05pm Evening Prayer

said at the West End

Psalms 138

TUESDAY 29 JULY

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Evening Prayer

said at the West End

Psalms 143

WEDNESDAY 30 JULY

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Bell Chapel

1:05pm BCP Communion

6:05pm Evening Prayer

said at the West End

Psalms 149

THURSDAY 31 JULY

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist

in the Chapel of Remembrance

6:05pm Choral Evensong

*sung by Wallingford Parish
Choir*

Psalms 150

Smith Responses

Noble in B minor

Nardone I give to you a new
commandment

FRIDAY 1 AUGUST

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lucy Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong
sung by Wallingford Parish Choir

Psalm 7
Smith Responses
Gibbons *Short Service*
Tallis *If ye love me*

SATURDAY 2 AUGUST

8:15am Morning Prayer

8:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

1:05pm Said Eucharist

6:05pm Choral Evensong
sung by Wallingford Parish Choir

Hymn 563
Psalm 14
Smith Responses
Stainer *in B flat*
Clausen *Set me as a seal*

SUNDAY 3 AUGUST

7:35am Said Matins (BCP)

8:05am BCP Communion

11:05am Choral Eucharist
sung by Wallingford Parish Choir

Preacher

The Ven Jonathan Chaffey
Archdeacon of Oxford

Hymns 442, 589 t. 1, 530

Psalm 107: 1–9, 43

Ward *St Mark Mass*

Lloyd *View me, Lord*

The Seventh Sunday After Trinity

6:05pm Choral Evensong
sung by Wallingford Parish Choir

Hymn 474
Psalm 107: 1–32
Smith Responses
Sumsion *in A*
Rutter *I will sing with the Spirit*

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE CATHEDRAL

Saturday 5 July – Valedictory Service for Helen Smee, who has been appointed as Director of Music at Southwark Cathedral

Since 2019, Helen has been the Director of Frideswide Voices, the girls' choir of Christ Church Cathedral, where she oversaw the choir's transition from an independent choir to one forming part of the choral foundation at Christ Church. We will be saying goodbye to Helen, her wife Hattie, and Frideswide Voices choristers at Evensong on Saturday 5 July, and thanking them for their enormous contribution to the Cathedral. Drinks will be served afterward.

Sunday 6 July – Valedictory Service for Cathedral Choristers and Clerks

During Evensong on Sunday 6 January we will be saying goodbye to some of the Cathedral Choristers and Clerks. Please do join us for a beautiful service and refreshments to follow, during which we will be wishing the choir members well on their future endeavours.

Sunday 20 July – Valedictory Service for the Revd Philippa White, who has been appointed as Chaplain to the Bishop of Oxford

The Revd Philippa White, Precentor, is one of the longest-serving members of the Cathedral team, having joined as Succentor in 2018. We will be saying goodbye to Philippa and her family at Evensong on Sunday 20 July, and thanking her for all she has done for the Cathedral and wider community. She is well known amongst all members of our congregation; please do join us for drinks after the service and a chance to wish her and her family well.

Sunday 27 July – Valedictory Service for Hilary Punnett, who has been appointed as Assistant Director of Music at St Paul's Cathedral

Hilary joined the Christ Church Cathedral music team in October 2022 as Director of the Cathedral Singers, an auditioned choir drawn from a group of over 90 volunteers who sing for around one hundred Cathedral services a year. We will be saying goodbye to Hilary and her family at Evensong on Saturday 27 July, at the end of the Cathedral Singers' summer residency. We would be delighted to have you join us for the service and following drinks, to show her support as she goes with our gratitude and best wishes for all she has done for music at Christ Church.

NEWS

Cathedral Choir and Frideswide Voices to feature on BBC Radio

After 6 years since their last appearance, we're so excited to hear the Cathedral Choir on Radio 3's Choral Evensong programme on the 9th and 13th of July. They will be sharing a service of Vespers for the 500th anniversary of the Christ Church foundation, including the radio premiere of a new setting of the Magnificat by the Master of the King's Music, Errollyn Wallen CBE. The Choir were joined by Frideswide Voices, an orchestra of Christ Church, and Oxford University alumni to record a second service, which will be broadcast on BBC Radio 4's Sunday Worship programme on July 20th, and also includes an address from the Dean. We hope you can tune in!

Behind The Scenes: An Illustrated Talk by Joseph Denby, Cathedral Operations Manager, 11th July

Have you ever wondered how a Cathedral runs behind the scenes? On Friday 11th July 2.30pm, the Cathedral Friends welcome our Operations Manager, Joseph Denby, to hear about what keeps Christ Church Cathedral ticking, including finding out more about the results of recent archaeological surveys and the major conservation project to our Cathedral Tower. We'll also hear more about the work to commission new organs for the Quire and Chapter House, the new Tom Denny stained glass window set to be installed this autumn over the North Door, and much more. Followed by tea and cake in the Chapter House. This event is organised by the Friends of the Cathedral but non members are very welcome. For further details please email: mail@friendsofchristchurchcathedral.org

Cathedral Friends Visit to Kelmscott Manor, 30th July

Christ Church Cathedral has a wonderful collection of stained glass by Edmund Burne-Jones, one of many later Pre-Raphaelites who collected around William Morris. Next month, the Cathedral Friends will visit Morris' stunning former West Oxfordshire home, Kelmscott Manor, for a tour and cream tea. Gain an insight into the intimate world of the Pre-Raphaelites, view the iconic collection of artwork and objects owned and designed by the 'Father of the Arts & Crafts Movement', and discover why the Cotswold home became an inspiration for him and his family. This event is organised by the Friends of the Cathedral but non members are very welcome. For further details please email: mail@friendsofchristchurchcathedral.org

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 vergers team on duty, or contact a member of the safeguarding team:

cathedral.safeguarding@chch.ox.ac.uk / 07746 046009

Philippa White (Associate Cathedral Safeguarding Officer until 20/07)

philippa.white@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.



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

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