This November the Cathedral is delighted to be hosting a set of sculptures by the artist Charles Hewlings. Like much contemporary art, this installation *Cleft, Done, Gone* poses a challenge: one response is simply to pass by, thinking this isn’t for me. Pause for a while, though, and you’re likely to find these works of art reeling you in.

‘In these works of mine, it is the space that I want to be energized, charged,’ says Hewlings, ‘both the space between the elements of the sculpture and the space around it.’ Much of what happens in and around the Cathedral works in just the same way: the worship we offer, and the music and architecture that lift and frame it, are beautiful in themselves, but their beauty also lies in the way they charge the time and space around them.

This autumn we engage with the call to look and work for the Kingdom of God. As we hear the Creationtide call to care for the earth and its inhabitants; as we rejoice again in the life and legacy of our patron, St Frideswide; as we call to mind the unity of the Church in heaven and earth on All Saints’ and All Souls’ days; as we remember those who gave their lives in war at Remembrance, may we too be ‘energized, charged’ with the gift of God’s Holy Spirit.

Edmund Newey, Sub Dean
Creationtide Sermon Series

‘Creationtide’ is the period in the annual church calendar from 1 September to 4 October dedicated to God as Creator and Sustainer of all life. Churches are invited to pay special attention to the responsibility of humanity for the Earth and for all that lives upon it. We will be marking Creationtide in the Cathedral in a series of special sermons at Sunday’s 11am Choral Eucharist.

Sunday 8 September: Revd Margot Hodson
CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP IN A TIME OF ENVIRONMENTAL CRISIS

Sunday 15 September: Revd Dr Tim Howles
LESSONS FROM THE FUTURE

Sunday 22 September: Dr Bethany Sollereder
HOW SHOULD WE CARE FOR CREATION?

Sunday 29 September: Dr Celia Deane-Drummond
CREATION AS SACRAMENT: RESTORING A BROKEN IMAGE

Saturday 5 October • 6pm
DIOCESAN CELEBRATION WITH THE BISHOP OF OXFORD
In October, we celebrate the Season of St Frideswide, the Patron Saint of Oxford, in honour of her saint’s day which is 19 October.

Christians have felt drawn to pray at the Shrine of St Frideswide for many centuries. Indeed, the Priory on which our Cathedral was built was an important destination for medieval pilgrims.

The Shrine is the oldest monument in the Cathedral, though what remains is only the platform on which the actual Shrine rested. Many came to pray for healing in the belief that the saint could cure them of a wide variety of complaints. In the sixteenth century Catherine of Aragon prayed at the Shrine in the hope of giving birth to a son.

Today, people remain drawn to the Latin Chapel and the Shrine it houses because they sense this is a place where the veil between our earthly life and the Kingdom of Heaven is very thin. It is a place that has been soaked in prayer over the centuries.
St Frideswide Pilgrimage

Saturday 19 October

We’re offering a range of guided walks, bringing pilgrims into the city of Oxford from all points of the compass and all corners of the diocese. Each of the routes ends at the Cathedral.

2-4pm Prayer stations in the Cathedral
3pm Tea in the Great Hall, Christ Church (tickets required)
4pm St Frideswide Pilgrimage Service featuring the Frideswide Consort. With the Bishop of Oxford

For more information, see www.chch.ox.ac.uk/pilgrimage

St Frideswide Civic Service

Tuesday 22 October • 6pm

For almost a decade the annual St Frideswide Civic service has been a celebration of Oxfordshire, working with different schools and charitable organisations. Our theme for 2019 is ‘Creative Arts, Changing Lives’. Taking part in the service this year are the Anjali Dance Company, the Oxfordshire Buddy Ensemble and a number of local schools.

The service will feature our girls’ choir, Frideswide Voices of Christ Church, who become a permanent part of our choral foundation this autumn under their new Director, Helen Smee.

St Frideswide Patronal Eucharist

Thursday 17 October • 6pm

The annual celebration giving thanks for St Frideswide.

Court Sermon

Tuesday 15 October • 6pm

The Court Sermon marks the beginning of the new legal year. The preacher will be the Very Revd Nick Papadopoulos, Dean of Salisbury.
College Chapel Services and Events

Christ Church Cathedral is also the college chapel. Students are welcome at all cathedral services and events, but those listed below are especially intended for members of the college and university.

Cathedral tour for freshers  
Wednesday 9 October • 3.30pm

Cathedral by Candlelight  
7, 8, 10 October • 8–9pm

All the lights are turned off and we explore the Cathedral by glow stick and candlelight.

Freshers’ Evensong followed by drinks  
Sunday 13 October • 6pm

Taizé Services  
Tuesday 22 October • 9pm  
Tuesday 26 November • 9pm

College Compline  
Wednesday 13 November • 9pm

College Communion  
Sundays (term time only)  
8.45am

For more information or a Chapel Term Card, please contact the College Chaplain, the Revd Clare Hayns chaplain@chch.ox.ac.uk
Of Faith and Feathers: Conservation, a Human Rights Issue

Sir Michael Dummett Lecture Theatre.
Wednesday 23 October 5.30–7pm

With the Revd Andrew Gosler, Associate Professor in Applied Ethnobiology and Conservation and Fellow in Human Sciences at Mansfield College.

The Sixteen conducted by Harry Christophers

Friday 18 October • 8pm

The 2019 Choral Pilgrimage brings together music past and present, highlighting The Sixteen’s choral journey over the last 40 years. The choir’s close relationship with Sir James MacMillan continues with a new commission O virgo prudentissima, contrasted with music by Fayrfax, Wylkynson and Sheppard. These fine examples of English polyphony are juxtaposed with stunning music by Tavener and Eric Whitacre.

Tickets £15–£35 from www.thesixteen.com 0333 010 2850

Remembrance Season

Fauré Requiem with the Wolsey Ensemble
Saturday 2 November: All Souls’ Day • 6pm

Remembrance Sunday

Sunday 10 November
9.45am  Choral Matins
10.55am  Act of Remembrance
11am    Choral Eucharist

Monday 11 November
11am  Turning of the Pages

Act of Remembrance with representatives of the Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry and the Queen’s Own Oxfordshire Hussars.
**Schools Music and Story Day**

**Thursday 10 October • 9.30am-12.30pm**

A FREE outreach event for local schools

Pupils from KS2 will have the opportunity to tour the Cathedral with a professional storyteller, meet professional musicians from the Oxford Chamber Music Festival and try out some musical instruments loaned by the County Music Service. Booking essential. Contact jacqueline.holderness@chch.ox.ac.uk

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**Civil War family workshop**

**Thursday 31 October • 1-4pm**

In the 1640s, Oxford was the capital of England. King Charles I lived here for some of this turbulent time of Civil War, while his troops fought Oliver Cromwell’s army. The Royalists defended the city which was besieged on two occasions, but were eventually forced to surrender to Cromwell at Marston. In partnership with the Museum of Oxford, this workshop for 5-11 year olds, with costumes and artefacts, will help you find out more about life in Royalist Oxford.

Booking essential: www.oxford.gov.uk/info/20033/museum_of_oxford. COST: £5 per child with one accompanying adult free.

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**A Journey Through Advent**

**10am-12.30pm on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays in November**

Teachers are invited to bring primary children to the Cathedral, to learn more about Advent, and to deepen their understanding of the Christmas story.

Dressed in biblical costume, children can learn more about the Incarnation. They will find out how the birth and life of Jesus has been celebrated by worshippers in Oxford since Anglo-Saxon times; how the ‘greatest story ever told’ was passed down by the Gospel writers; and how it has inspired artists and musicians ever since. They will also consider the impact of Jesus’s birth on the world today.

£3 +VAT per pupil. Booking essential. Contact jacqueline.holderness@chch.ox.ac.uk or 01865 286003

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**Holocaust Memorial Day: Stand Together**

For primary and secondary teachers and other interested adults.

£15 per head including lunch. Booking essential. Contact education@chch.ox.ac.uk or 01865 286003
Special Events and Services in Autumn 2019

**SEPTEMBER 2019**

**Sunday 8 September**
Festival of Preaching
11am Creationtide Sermon

**Monday 9 September**
Festival of Preaching

**Tuesday 10 September**
Festival of Preaching

**Saturday 14 September**
Ride and Stride

**Sunday 15 September**
11am Creationtide Sermon

**Wednesday 18 September**
6pm First Frideswide Voices Evensong of the year with commissioning of new Director

**Thursday 19 September**
8pm Andrew Chamblin Memorial Concert

**Friday 18 October**
8pm The Sixteen ‘Choral Pilgrimage 2019’

**Saturday 19 October**
St Frideswide Pilgrimage

**Tuesday 22 October**
6pm Civic Service

**Thursday 31 October**
1pm Civil War family workshop

**NOVEMBER 2019**

**Saturday 2 November**
Licensing of new LLMs
6pm Requiem Eucharist for All Souls

**Tuesday 15 October**
Remembrance Sunday

**Monday 11 November**
Cleft, Done, Gone opens
11am Turning of the Pages

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**Dates for your diary**

Nine Lessons and Carols with the Cathedral Choir

Monday 23 December • 6pm
Tuesday 24 December • 3pm

Tickets will be released on Monday 25 November
www.ticketsoxford.com
01865 305305
Curiouser and Curiouser
A glimpse beneath the surface of our remarkable Cathedral with Jim Godfrey, Cathedral Verger

Friday 11 October • 2.30pm
Tour followed by tea. The tour will be limited to 25 people. £15 Friends (£18 Guests).

Five Straight Lines
A History of Western Music with Dr Andrew Gant

Wednesday 13 November • 12pm • McKenna Room
Lecture followed by a sandwich lunch. £15 Friends (£18 Guests).

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The three sculptures will be on display in the North Transept from 11 to 29 November.

Service of Lessons and Carols

Thursday 19 December • 6pm
This year there is no Christmas Supper in Hall to follow the Carol Service for Friends. However, a black-tie Epiphany Dinner in the Cathedral is scheduled for 7 January 2020.
Our regular pattern of worship at Christ Church Cathedral

The daily offering of worship to God is at the heart of Christ Church. Everyone is welcome to join the worshipping community of Christ Church Cathedral, whether for a single service, or more regularly.

**Sundays**
- 8am: Holy Communion (1662)
- 9.45am: Matins and Sermon (1662)
- 11am: Choral Eucharist (CW)
- 6pm: Choral Evensong (1662)

**Weekdays**
- 7.15am: Morning Prayer (CW)
- 7.35am: Holy Communion (CW)
- 1pm: Holy Communion (Wednesdays only) (1662)
- 6pm: Evening Prayer – Choral Evensong (1662)

On Mondays, Evening Prayer is either a said service or, during university term time, sung by the College Choir. On Thursdays, the evening service is usually a Choral Eucharist.

Please note that our services begin five minutes later than ‘normal’ time, because the Cathedral keeps the old ‘Oxford Time’ (i.e. five minutes west of Greenwich). This means 6pm Oxford Time is 6.05pm GMT or BST.

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Book a parish pilgrimage to your Cathedral

The Dean and Canons of Christ Church warmly invite parishes in the Diocese of Oxford to visit the Cathedral, to share in its worship and discover its history.

The programme for the day includes: a guided tour of the Cathedral; a visit to Upper Library or Picture Gallery; afternoon tea in the Great Hall; followed by Choral Evensong or Choral Eucharist.

There will be a charge for tea but guided tours are FREE.

For further information email Miranda Hockliffe at miranda.hockliffe@chch.ox.ac.uk.

To find out more about visiting the Cathedral, and free passes for parishioners in the Diocese of Oxford, see www.chch.ox.ac.uk/cathedral/your-cathedral
Who’s who at Christ Church Cathedral

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