Services & Music

December 2019
Welcome from the Dean

Welcome to Christ Church Cathedral, a house of learning and house of prayer, at the heart of the City of Oxford.

Christ Church is a constituent college of the University of Oxford. As well as being a College, Christ Church is the Cathedral Church of the Diocese of Oxford, which covers the counties of Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire. First established in 1525, Christ Church is one of Oxford’s largest colleges. Its name in Latin is Ædes Christi, meaning ‘house of Christ’, and the foundation is thus sometimes known as ‘The House’. As a foundation, it is unique, comprising a College, Cathedral and Choir School – and of course a world-class Cathedral Choir, with a reputation for some of the world’s finest music.

This booklet lists the music for all our services this month. You are welcome to join in the hymns – and listen to the psalms, chants and anthems – as you participate in worship with us. We hope and pray that your time here will be moving and uplifting – one of blessing and peace, and of spiritual nourishment and comfort.

St. Augustine of Hippo (354–430 AD) wrote that ‘singing belongs to one who loves’. Our prayer – for each and every one who joins us here for worship – is that in the singing and music, you will not only hear the love of God proclaimed in the beauty of worship, but will also hear something of God’s love for each and all proclaimed to you. As the Prophet Zephaniah says: ‘The LORD your God dwells with you. God is a mighty saviour. He will rejoice over you with gladness. He will calm you with His love. He will rejoice over you with joyful songs.’ (Zephaniah 3: 17)

May God bless you here at Christ Church, as you join us for worship.

The Very Revd Professor Martyn Percy
Dean of Christ Church
SATURDAY 30
Andrew the Apostle
Eve of Advent
Sunday

7.15am MORNING PRAYER
7.35am SAID EUCHARIST
6pm CATHEDRAL ADVENT
   CAROL SERVICE – No tickets required, all welcome
   Palestrina Matin Responsory
   Kennedy A Spotless Rose
   Byrd Rorate caeli desuper
   Handel And the glory of the Lord (from Messiah)
   Britten A Hymn to the Virgin
   Poston Jesus Christ the Apple Tree
   Palestrina Vesper Responsory (Saturday 30 November only)
   Warlock Benedictamus Domino (Sunday 1 December only)
   (Music repeated on Sunday 1 December)

SUNDAY 1
ADVENT
SUNDAY

8am HOLY COMMUNION BCP
8.45am COLLEGE COMMUNION
   Preacher The College Chaplain

9.45am CHORAL MATINS
   Hymns 334, 37
   with University Sermon
   Psalm 44:1–9
   Preacher The Revd Canon Dr Victoria Johnson,
   Ely Cathedral (Precentor-designate, York Minster)
   Leighton Responses
   Britten Festival Te Deum in E

11am CHORAL EUCHARIST
   Hymns 26, 32, 24
   Preacher The Revd Dr Michael Lloyd,
   Principal of Wycliffe Hall
   Berkeley Missa Brevis
   Elgar Ave verum corpus

5.30pm COLLEGE ADVENT
   CAROL SERVICE – N.B. Admission by ticket only

Canon in Residence: The Archdeacon of Oxford

MONDAY 2

7.15am MORNING PRAYER
7.35am SAID EUCHARIST
10.30am COMMUNION SERVICE BCP
   for the Oxford Wives Fellowship
   Preacher The Sub Dean

6pm EVENING PRAYER
   Psalms 12, 13
   Said in the Chancel
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Ambrose,  
Bishop of Milan,  
Teacher of the Faith,  
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7.15am  MORNING PRAYER
7.35am  SAID EUCHARIST
6pm    CHORAL EVENSONG   Hymns 18, 49

Tallis Responses  Psalm 37  
Gombert  Magnificat Tone I  
Plainchant  Nunc dimittis Tone I  
Cornysh  Ave Maria

Sung by Lay and Academical Clerks

SUNDAY 8
THE SECOND  
SUNDAY OF  
ADVENT

8am   HOLY COMMUNION  BCP
9.45am  CHORAL MATINS   Hymns 235, 40
Preacher  Psalm 80:1–7
The Archdeacon of Oxford
Tallis Responses
Byrd  Te Deum (Short Service)

11am  CHORAL EUCHARIST   Hymns 490(i), 34, 591
Preacher  The Sub Dean  Psalm 72:1–7, 18–19
Byrd  Mass for Four Voices
Palestrina  Rorate caeli desuper

6pm    CHORAL EVENSONG   Hymns 35, 27
Rose Responses  Psalm 11
Murrill  in E
Howells  A Spotless Rose

Canon in Residence: Canon Ward

MONDAY 9

7.15am  MORNING PRAYER
7.35am  SAID EUCHARIST
6pm    EVENING PRAYER   Psalm 47
Said in the Chancel
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Lucy, Martyr at Syracuse, 304

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SATURDAY 14
John of the Cross, Poet, Teacher of the Faith, 1591

7.15am  MORNING PRAYER
7.35am  SAID EUCHARIST
10.30am  SCHOOL CAROL SERVICE

6pm  CHORAL EVENSONG
Tallis Responses
Shepherd  First Service
Bassano  Fuit homo missus a Deo
Sung by Lay and Academical Clerks

SUNDAY 15
8am  HOLY COMMUNION  BCP
THE THIRD
SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9.45am  CHORAL MATINS  Hymns 38 (omit*), 28
Preacher  Canon Ward
Tallis Responses
Tallis  Benedictus

11am  CHORAL EUCHARIST  Hymns 87 (omit vv. 4, 5), 362, 24
Preacher  The College Chaplain
Victoria  Missa ‘Vidi speciosam’
Viadana  O sacrum convivium

6pm  CHORAL EVENSONG  Hymns 29, 31
Rose Responses
Ives  Magdalen College Service
Wood  Great Lord of Lords
Services today are sung by Lay and Academical Clerks

Canon in Residence: Canon Foot

MONDAY 16

7.15am  MORNING PRAYER
7.35am  SAID EUCHARIST
6pm  ORGAN MEDITATIONS
Messiaen  La Nativité du Seigneur
Benjamin Collyer (Organ Scholar)
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7.15am MORNING PRAYER
7.35am SAID EUCHARIST
6pm CHORAL EVENSONG  Hymns 49, 28
Leighton Responses  Psalm 106
Leighton *Magdalen College Service*
Bainton *And I saw a new heaven*

SUNDAY 22
THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8am HOLY COMMUNION  *BCP*
9.45am CHORAL MATINS  Hymns Earth was waiting
*Preacher* Canon Foot (t. 309), 242
Leighton Responses  Psalm 144:1–10
Sumption *Te Deum in G*
11am CHORAL EUCHARIST  Hymns 27, 58, 35
*Preacher* The Succentor Psalm 80:1–8, 18–20
Byrd *Mass for Five Voices*
Guerrero *Ave Maria [à 8]*
6pm CHORAL EVENSONG  Hymns 26, 401
Leighton Responses Psalm 113
Dyson *in F*
Britten *A Hymn to the Virgin*

Canon in Residence: Canon Biggar

MONDAY 23

7.15am MORNING PRAYER
7.35am SAID EUCHARIST
6pm NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS
Rathbone *The Oxen*
Ord *Adam lay ybounden*
Weir *Illuminare Jerusalem*
Rutter *What sweeter music*
Guerrero *Ave Maria [à 8]*
Howells *Sing lullaby*
Dering *Quem vidistis, pastores?*
Warlock *Benedicamus Domino*

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SATURDAY 28
The Holy Innocents

7.15am MORNING PRAYER
7.35am SAID EUCHARIST
6pm CHORAL EVENSONG
Hymns 73, 54
Smith Responses
Psalms 123, 128
Dyson in F
Stopford Coventry Carol
Sung by the Cathedral Singers

SUNDAY 29
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

8am HOLY COMMUNION BCP
9.45am SAID MATINS
with Hymns
Preacher Canon Biggar
11am CHORAL EUCHARIST
Preacher The Sub Dean
Sumison in F
Arr. Willcocks Infant Holy
Sung by the Cathedral Singers
6pm CHORAL EVENSONG
Hymns 55, 70
Smith Responses
Psalms 132
Sumison in A
Berlioz The Shepherd’s Farewell
Sung by the Cathedral Singers

Canon in Residence: Canon Harrison

MONDAY 30

7.15am MORNING PRAYER
7.35am SAID EUCHARIST
6pm CHORAL EVENSONG
Psalms 147:1–11
Smith responses
Hymn 44
Weelkes Short Service
Alexander Kopylov Heavenly Light
Sung by St Mary’s Singers
TUESDAY 31

7.15am MORNING PRAYER
7.35am SAID EUCHARIST
6pm CHORAL EVENSONG Psalms 149, 150

Sumision Responses Hymn 41
Weelkes First Service
Arr. Willcocks The Infant King
Sung by the Cathedral Singers

WEDNESDAY 1
The Naming and Circumcision of Jesus

7.15am MORNING PRAYER
7.35am SAID EUCHARIST
1pm HOLY COMMUNION BCP
6pm CHORAL EVENSONG Psalm 115

Sumision Responses Hymn 74
Tallis Short Service
Tchaikovsky The Crown of Roses
Sung by the Cathedral Singers

THURSDAY 2
Basil the Great and Gregory of Nazianzus, Bishops, Teachers of the Faith, 379 and 389

7.15am MORNING PRAYER
7.35am SAID EUCHARIST
6pm CHORAL EUCHARIST Hymn 67
Reflection The Revd Dr Christopher Landau, Honorary Cathedral Chaplain
Stanford Communion Service in C
Arr. Pearsall In dulci jubilo
Sung by the Cathedral Singers

FRIDAY 3

7.15am MORNING PRAYER
7.35am SAID EUCHARIST
8.45am SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
6pm CHORAL EVENSONG Psalm 18:1–15

Tomkins Responses Hymn 70
Drury Canticles
Edwards No small wonder
Sung by St Peter’s Chorale, Australia
SATURDAY 4

7.15am MORNING PRAYER
7.35am SAID EUCHARIST
6pm CHORAL EVENSONG
   Sumision Responses  Hymns 574, 487
   Jackson Truro Service
   Warlock Bethlehem Down
   Sung by the Cathedral Singers

6pm CHORAL EVENSONG
   Sumsion Responses  Psalms 22–23

SUNDAY 5

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

8am HOLY COMMUNION BCP
9.45am SAID MATINS
   with Hymns  Hymns 243, 489, 51
   Preacher Canon Harrison
11am CHORAL EUCHARIST
   Preacher The Succentor  Psalm 147:13–end
   Stanford Communion Service in C
   Arr. Pearsall In dulci jubilo
   Sung by the Cathedral Singers
6pm CHORAL EVENSONG
   Sumision Responses  Psalm 96, 97
   Sumision in G
   Howells Here is the little door
   Sung by the Cathedral Singers

SUNDAY 5

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

8am HOLY COMMUNION BCP
9.45am SAID MATINS
   with Hymns  Hymns 243, 489, 51
   Preacher Canon Harrison
11am CHORAL EUCHARIST
   Preacher The Succentor  Psalm 147:13–end
   Stanford Communion Service in C
   Arr. Pearsall In dulci jubilo
   Sung by the Cathedral Singers
6pm CHORAL EVENSONG
   Sumision Responses  Psalm 96, 97
   Sumision in G
   Howells Here is the little door
   Sung by the Cathedral Singers

MONDAY 6

The Epiphany

7.15am MORNING PRAYER
7.35am SAID EUCHARIST
6pm CHORAL EVENSONG  Psalms 98, 100
   Dunleavy Responses  Hymn 84
   Smart in B flat
   Crotch Lo! Star-led chief
   Sung by Northampton Bach Choir

Canon in Residence: Canon Foot
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CHRIST CHURCH 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 Alice, immortalised by Lewis Carroll). The cathedral choristers are dedicated to their daily music-making, and to the transformational experience that singing in one of the world’s most famous choirs brings.

The Organist, Steven Grahl, and Christ Church Cathedral School welcome enquiries about choristerships at any time. Please contact the School Registrar, Mrs Clare James, on 01865 242561 or email registrar@cccs.org.uk for further information about being a chorister at Christ Church. She will be pleased at any time to arrange a tour of the School and Boarding House or an informal voice trial.

Please see the School and Cathedral Choir’s respective websites:

www.cccs.org.uk
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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.

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