



## SUNDAY BULLETIN

Sunday 12 October 2025

Trinity 17

### SERVICES TODAY:

— Outside our  
usual pattern of  
worship

8.00 am

#### **Holy Communion (BCP)**

Celebrant &

Preacher:

The Reverend Canon Charles Jenkin

9.00 am

#### **All-Ages Eucharist**

President:

The Canon Pastor and Sub Dean

Preacher:

The Dean

10.30 am

#### **Choral Eucharist (L)**

Choir:

Cathedral Choir

President:

The Cathedral Chaplain

Preacher:

The Venerable Vanessa Herrick

Hymns:

A&M 691i, 451i, 739i

Setting:

Mass for Five Voices

Anthem:

Verily, verily I say unto you

Voluntary:

Fantasia in C

*William Byrd*

*Thomas Tallis*

*William Byrd*

3.30 pm

#### **Choral Evensong (L)**

Choir:

Cathedral Choir

Hymns:

NEH 445, 453

Responses:

Walsh

Psalm:

144

Setting:

The Collegium Regale Service

Anthem:

O for a closer walk with God

Voluntary:

Master Tallis's Testament

*Herbert Howells*

*David McGregor*

*Herbert Howells*

### SERVICES IN THE WEEK AHEAD:

Details of this week's services can be found on the Cathedral's website or on service booklets throughout the Cathedral, but please check as they may be subject to change: [stedscathedral.org](https://stedscathedral.org).

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## NOTICES THIS WEEK:

### **Churches Together Exchange of Greetings:**

As part of an exchange of greetings initiated by Churches Together, three people from the United Reformed Church in Whiting Street will attend the 10.30 am service on Sunday 12 October. Charles and Yvonne Hamel-Cooke will take a greeting from the Cathedral to the 10.45 am service at the URC on Sunday 19 October.

### **Together on Tuesday, Tuesday 14 October:**

Our next 'Together on Tuesday' service takes place on Tuesday 14 October at 2.00 pm in the Edmund Chapel. This informal and friendly service is for anyone who might find a longer service difficult and is also suitable for those with dementia and their carers.

### **Prisons Week Service, Sunday 19 October at 10.30 am:**

This year's service for Prisons Week will be on Sunday 19 October during the 10.30 am Eucharist. We invite prison governors, chaplains and others locally who are involved in the Criminal Justice System. There will also be serving prisoners who join us for discussion and refreshments after the service. The preacher this year will be The Venerable James Ridge who is Chaplain General and Head of Faith Services at His Majesty's Prison and Probation Service.

### **Learning about Dementia, Tuesday 21 October at 11.00 am:**

Come along to this information session open to anyone wanting to learn about dementia and how to support people living with dementia. Led by Rob Goldstone, Local Communities & Volunteering Officer at the Alzheimer's Society this session is free of charge and will be in the Edmund Room.

### **Mothers' Union Meeting, Tuesday 21 October at 1.45 pm:**

The Cathedral Mothers' Union would like to invite you to their meeting on Tuesday 21 October at 1.45 pm where Maggie Pugh and friends will entertain us with their ukuleles in the Edmund Room. There will be a small fee of £3. Please come if you can. Coffee, tea and biscuits will be provided.

### **Stand with Ukraine, Saturday 25 October at 11.00 am:**

October's Stand with Ukraine event will take place on Saturday 25 October between 11.00 am and 12.00 pm on Angel Hill. Everyone is most welcome, including members of the Cathedral, to join our Ukrainian community for this occasion.

### **City of Colchester Band: In Concert, Sunday 26 October at 5.00 pm:**

Join the City of Colchester Band in concert here at the Cathedral when they will perform original, traditional and classic music for an hour of entertainment! Free to attend with a retiring collection.

### **Remembering the Departed, All Souls' Requiem Mass:**

Our Sung Requiem Mass for All Souls' Day, where we give thanks for, and remember, departed loved ones, friends and family, is at 3.30 pm on Sunday 2 November, when the choir will sing Mozart's setting. The small card crosses, upon which you can write the names of departed loved ones you wish to remember at the service, are now available at the back of the Cathedral. Please bring them to the service to place on the cross.

### **Cathedral Mothers' Union Jigsaw Stall:**

The Cathedral Mothers' Union will again be running a jigsaw stall at the Cathedral's Christmas Market. If you have any complete jigsaws you wish to donate please contact Mandy Alderman at [mandy.alderman2@gmail.com](mailto:mandy.alderman2@gmail.com) or Lorna Brook at [lorna.churchmouse@mail.com](mailto:lorna.churchmouse@mail.com), or you can drop them off at the Cathedral Office.

### **Dogs in the Cathedral Calendar:**

We've now launched our 2026 Dogs in the Cathedral wall calendar! Calendars are available from the Cathedral Shop and are £10.00 each.

### **A Coptic Orthodox Advent Pilgrimage:**

Shephalbury Manor, Broadhall Way, Stevenage, Herts SG2 8 NP has been home to The Coptic Orthodox Church Centre in the UK for over two decades. The beautiful Victorian gothic manor which was built in 1865 now stands alongside the newly-constructed Coptic Orthodox Cathedral of Saint George, the first purpose-built Coptic Orthodox place of worship in the United Kingdom, and the first Coptic Orthodox Cathedral in Europe. It presents a delightful meeting point between ancient and contemporary Coptic design and culture set within a British context. The Reverend Canon Mark Haworth has organised an Advent Pilgrimage including an audience with Archbishop Angelos of London (who recently addressed the General Synod), on Tuesday 2 December from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm during which we will also be able to celebrate an Anglican Eucharist in their separate chapel. If you're interested in joining the pilgrimage, please contact Mark at [markhaworth@stedscathedral.org](mailto:markhaworth@stedscathedral.org). Transport will be by shared cars or by rail, and hospitality costs (coffee/lunch/tea) will be around £15. Mark can also be contacted on tel. 07932 160009 to discuss any points of detail.

### **NEXT SUNDAY, 19 October, Trinity 18**

8.00 am **Holy Communion (BCP)**

9.00 am **All-Ages Eucharist**

10.30 am **Choral Eucharist for Prisons Week**

3.30 pm **Choral Evensong for the Suffolk Provincial Grand Lodge**

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### **COLLECT**

Almighty God,  
you have made us for yourself,  
and our hearts are restless  
till they find their rest in you:  
pour your love into our hearts  
and draw us to yourself,  
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city  
where we shall see you face to face;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
Amen.

### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Lord, we pray that your grace  
may always precede and follow us,  
and make us continually  
to be given to all good works;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

# READINGS TODAY:

## THE FIRST READING:

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favour with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, 'If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy.' When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, 'Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me.' But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, 'Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel.' So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, 'Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean.' But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, 'I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?' He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, 'Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, "Wash, and be clean"?' So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; Naaman came and stood before him and said, 'Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel.'

*2 Kings 5.1–3, 7–15b*

## THE SECOND READING:

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself. Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

*2 Timothy 2.8–15*

## THE GOSPEL READING:

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' Then he said to Samaritan, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

*Luke 17.11–19*