

MAY 2026

Services & Music



BRISTOL CATHEDRAL

The
LORD MAYOR'S CHAPEL

Here

with

you,

yesterday,

today,

and tomorrow

From the Minor Canon for Worship & Liturgy

A very warm welcome to Bristol Cathedral.

The month of May is a busy one this year! From 5 to 7 May we welcome the Cathedral Organists' Association for their conference with us, and from 18 to 21 May we welcome delegates from across all UK Cathedrals for the National Cathedrals Conference. **Please note that during the National Cathedrals Conference the Cathedral will be closed to the public for general visiting**, except for some services, details of which can be found in this music list and on our socials. A particular welcome to all those joining us for these conferences, we are delighted to be hosting you this year.

We also celebrate the restoration of our Cathedral organ with our Grand Organ Festival, opening at 7.00pm on Friday 8 May with a recital by internationally acclaimed organist David Briggs. At 7.00pm on Saturday 9 May, David Briggs will also be improvising a thrilling score to Rupert Julian's 1925 film *Phantom of the Opera*. Tickets are still available for these events, and details can be found on the website. Definitely events not to miss as we celebrate our newly restored Cathedral organ!

Our Tuesday lunchtime recital series continues, and I particularly draw your attention to Tuesday 12 May when Nicholas Freestone, Assistant Organist at Worcester Cathedral, will be giving an organ recital, continuing our Grand Organ Festival. Attendance is free, and all recitals begin at 1.15pm.

On Wednesday 13 May, we are delighted that Choral Evensong will be broadcast live by BBC Radio 3 at the **earlier time of 3.00pm**. If you wish to attend this service please note that you must be seated by 2.45pm at the latest.

On Thursday 14 May we celebrate Ascension Day with a 6.00pm Eucharist, where we remember and celebrate Jesus' ascension into Heaven forty days after his resurrection. Advanced notice also that there will be a 6.00pm Eucharist on Thursday 4 June to celebrate the feast of Corpus Christi, the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

As you can see, much is happening, but amongst all the busyness we remain a place of peace, calm and welcome to all who come. Welcome.

Every blessing to you.

The Revd Mel Takáč
Minor Canon for Worship & Liturgy

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

(BCP Fourth Sunday after Easter)

Sunday 3 May

7.40am Morning Prayer

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) (Preacher: The Revd Tatjana Ljujić)

10.00am **Cathedral Eucharist**

<i>Preacher</i>	The Dean	Hymns
<i>Setting</i>	Missa Sancti Pauli Stanley Vann	To God be the Glory
<i>Motet</i>	Beati quorum via Charles Villiers Stanford	115 Noel Nouvelet
<i>Voluntary</i>	Épilogue (op.50) Rachel Laurin	420 Wolvercote

11.00am **Choral Mattins** (BCP) in the Lord Mayor's Chapel

<i>Preacher</i>	The Revd Tatjana Ljujić	Venite (170)
<i>Introit</i>	O Sing Joyfully Adrian Batten	Psalm 66.14-end (165)
<i>Responses</i>	William Smith	Hymns
<i>Te Deum</i>	Set 1	107 Vulpius
<i>Jubilate</i>	Morning Service in F John Ireland	296 St Helen
<i>Anthem</i>	Ubi Caritas Maurice Duruflé	437 Austria
<i>Voluntary</i>	Nun danket, alle Gott Sigfrid Karg-Elert	

3.30pm **Choral Evensong**

<i>Preacher</i>	The Revd Mel Takáč	
<i>Responses</i>	Sasha Johnson Manning	Psalm 147.1-12
<i>Canticles</i>	Collegium Regale Herbert Howells	Hymns (HPP)
<i>Anthem</i>	Light out of darkness Edward Elgar	162 So Treiben Wir
<i>Voluntary</i>	Imperial March Edward Elgar	165 Gott Schuf Adam

4 Monday

Verses | Cantoris

Bank Holiday

English Saints and Martyrs of the Reformation Era

10.00am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

3.30 pm Evening Prayer

Psalm 19

MAY

5 Tuesday

Feria

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

1.15pm **Lunchtime Recital** Maurizio Baudino, guitar.

5.15pm **Choral Evensong** *attended by the Cathedral Organists' Association*

Responses Bernard Rose

Psalm 24

Canticles St John's Service Jonathan Dove

Hymn 239 Slane

Anthem Valiant-for-Truth Ralph Vaughan Williams

6 Wednesday

Feria

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

5.15pm **Choral Evensong** *attended by the Cathedral Organists' Association*

sung by the Boy Choristers

Responses Tim Noon

Psalm 30

Canticles Herbert Sumsion in G

Hymn 117 Ellacombe

Anthem O for a closer walk with God Anthony Caesar

7 Thursday

Feria

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

5.15pm Evening Prayer

Psalm 35

8 Friday

Julian of Norwich

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

5.15pm **Choral Evensong** *sung by the Lay Clerks*

Responses Andrew Millington

Psalm 39

Canticles Tone vii Tomas Luis da Victoria

Hymn 408 Blauenwern

Anthem The strife is o'er Gareth Tresseder

9 Saturday

Feria

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

5.15pm Evening Prayer

Psalm 44

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

(BCP Fifth Sunday after Easter)

Sunday 10 May

7.40am Morning Prayer

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) (Preacher: The Revd Paul Barrett)

10.00am Cathedral Eucharist sung by the Consort

Preacher	The Revd Mel Takáč	Hymns
Setting	Missa Brevis (Tongues of Fire) Cecilia McDowall	265 Regent Square
Motet	Ave verum Edward Elgar	311 Meirionydd
Voluntary	Spirit (from the Canticle of the Rose) Alan Ridout	466 Moscow

11.00am Choral Mattins (BCP) in the Lord Mayor's Chapel

Preacher	The Revd Paul Barrett	Venite (158)
Introit	Locus iste Anton Bruckner	Psalm 66.1-8 (161)
Responses	John Reading	Hymns
Te Deum	Set 2	112 St Albinus
Jubilate	Morning Service in F John Ireland	115 Noel Nouvelet
Anthem	If ye love me Thomas Tallis	351 Neander
Voluntary	Toccata in F, BuxWV 157 Dietrich Buxtehude	

3.30pm Choral Evensong sung by the Consort

Preacher	Canon Neil Patterson	
Responses	Anthony Piccolo	Psalm 87, 36.5-10
Canticles	Fourth Service Adrian Batten	Hymns (HPP)
Anthem	Blessed be the God and Father Samuel Sebastian Wesley	165 Gott Schuf
Voluntary	Choral Song Samuel Sebastian Wesley	172 Gonfalon Royal

11 Monday

Verses | Decani

Feria

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

5.15pm Service of Thanksgiving for Nurses and Midwives

Special order of service

12 Tuesday *Dom Gregory Dix*

8.15am Morning Prayer: 12.30pm Eucharist

1.15 pm **Recital** Nicholas Freestone, organ

5.15pm **Choral Evensong**

Responses Herbert Sumsion

Psalm 62

Canticles Evening Service in E flat (No 2) Charles Wood Hymn 368 Cwm Rhondda

Anthem O pray for the peace of Jerusalem Herbert Howells

13 Wednesday *Feria*

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist *in the sub-croft*

3.00pm **First Choral Evensong of Ascension Day** *broadcast live on BBC Radio 3*

Introit Coelos ascendit hodie Charles Villiers Stanford

Responses Bernard Rose

Psalms 15,24

Canticles St John's Service Jonathan Dove

Hymns 128 Gonfalon Royal

Anthem God is Gone Up Gerald Finzi

134 St Magnus

Those wishing to be in the congregation should be seated by 2.45pm

14 Thursday Ascension Day

8.15am Morning Prayer: 12.30pm Eucharist

2.00 pm **Service to remember those who died experiencing homelessness**

Preacher Bishop Rob Wickham

6.00pm **Sung Eucharist †** *Sung by the Cathedral Consort*

Preacher The Dean

Hymns

Setting Messe Salve Regina Yves Castagnet

130 Llanfair

Organ L'Ascension Olivier Messiaen

271 Hyfrydol

443 Gosal

15 Friday Matthias the Apostle

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

5.15pm **Choral Evensong** *sung by the Lay Clerks*

Responses Paul Edwards

Psalms 75, 76

Canticles Bristol Service Ian Carpenter

Hymn 165 St James

Anthem Viri Galilaei William Byrd

16 Saturday *Caroline Chisholm, social reformer*

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

5.15pm Evening Prayer

Psalm 79

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

(BCP Sunday after Ascension Day)

Sunday 17 May

7.40am Morning Prayer

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) (Preacher: Canon Neil Patterson)

10.00am **Cathedral Eucharist**

<i>Preacher</i>	Canon Neil Patterson	Hymns
<i>Setting</i>	Collegium Regale Herbert Howells	352 Diademata
<i>Motet</i>	Coelos ascendit hodie Charles Villiers Stanford	296 St Helen
<i>Voluntary</i>	Postlude in d (op.105, no.6) Charles Villiers Stanford	345 Vulpius

11.00am **Holy Communion** in the Lord Mayor's Chapel

(Common Worship Order One, Traditional Language)

<i>Preacher</i>	The Dean	Hymns
<i>Psalm</i>	68.32-end (171)	134 St Magnus
<i>Setting</i>	Communion Service in C John Ireland	271 Hyfrydol
<i>Motet</i>	O King of Glory James Healey Willan	338 Evelyngs (omit *)
<i>Voluntary</i>	Praeludium in C BWV 545 Johann Sebastian Bach	128 Gonfalon Royal

3.30pm **Choral Evensong**

<i>Preacher</i>	The Revd Mel Takáč	
<i>Responses</i>	Herbert Sumsion	Psalm 47
<i>Canticles</i>	Evening Service in D Edward Bairstow	Hymns (HPP)
<i>Anthem</i>	O clap your hands Ralph Vaughan Williams	177 Song 67
<i>Voluntary</i>	Pièce Héroïque César Franck	179 Caelestis Agni

18 Monday National Cathedrals Conference from 2pm

Verses | Cantoris

Feria

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist in the sub-croft

5.15pm **Choral Evensong**

<i>Introit</i>	The Lord is my Shepherd Howard Goodall b.1958	Psalm 90
<i>Responses</i>	Bernard Rose 1916-1996	
<i>Canticles</i>	Evening Service in A flat Basil Harwood 1859-1949	Hymn 134 St Magnus
<i>Anthem</i>	Seek him that maketh the seven stars Jonathan Dove b.1959	

19 Tuesday during the National Cathedrals Conference*Dunstan, Archbishop of Canterbury, Restorer of Monastic Life*

8.15am Morning Prayer in the nave, followed by reflection from Br John SSF

12.30pm Eucharist in the nave separate order of service

5.15pm Choral Evensong sung by the Lay Clerks

Responses Stephen Cleobury 1948-2019

Psalms 95, 96

Canticles Magdalen College Service Grayston Ives b.1948Hymn 352 *Diademata**Anthem* I will lift up mine eyes Ernest Walker 1870-1949**20 Wednesday during the National Cathedrals Conference***Alcuin, deacon, abbot*

8.15am Morning Prayer in the nave, followed by reflection from Br John SSF

12.30pm Midday Prayer in the nave,

12.30pm Eucharist *in the Sub-Croft**Evening Prayer said privately***21 Thursday during the National Cathedrals Conference***Helena, Protector of the Holy Places*

8.15am Morning Prayer in the nave, followed by reflection from Br John SSF

12.30pm Eucharist in the nave separate order of service

5.15pm Evening Prayer

Psalm 105.1-22

22 Friday *Feria*

8.15am Morning Prayer;

12.30pm Eucharist

5.15pm Choral Evensong *sung by the Lay Clerks**Responses* Humphrey Clucas

Psalm 107.1-22

Canticles Collegium Regale Humphrey ClucasHymn 123 *Dun Aluinn**Anthem* God our Father Stuart Beer**23 Saturday *Feria***

8.15am Morning Prayer;

12.30pm Eucharist

5.15pm Choral Evensong *sung by Cantemus cum Spiritu**Responses* Thomas Tomkins

Psalm 110, 111

Canticles Evening Service in F minor Derek HolmanHymn 140 *All for Jesus**Anthem* In Pace in idipsum John Blitheman

PENTECOST

Sunday 24 May

7.40am Morning Prayer

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) (Preacher: The Revd Mel Takáč)

10.00am **Cathedral Eucharist** *Sung by Cantemus cum Spiritu*

<i>Preacher</i>	<i>The Revd Tatjana Ljujić</i>	Hymns
<i>Setting</i>	<i>Mass a 5 William Byrd</i>	Here and now Abbots Leigh
<i>Motet</i>	<i>If Ye Love Me Thomas Tallis</i>	137 Down Ampney
<i>Voluntary</i>	<i>Chorale prelude on 'Komm, Gott, Schöpfer, Spirit of the Living God Iverson Heiliger Geist' BWV 667 Johann Sebastian Bach</i>	

11.00am **Said Mattins** (BCP) *with hymns in the Lord Mayor's Chapel*

<i>Preacher</i>	<i>The Revd Mel Takáč</i>
<i>Psalm</i>	122
<i>Hymns</i>	137 Down Ampney 431 Hereford 342 Carlisle (178)

3.30pm **Choral Evensong** *Sung by Cantemus cum Spiritu*

<i>Preacher</i>	<i>The Dean</i>	
<i>Responses</i>	<i>Thomas Tomkins</i>	Psalms 67, 133
<i>Canticles</i>	<i>Evening Service in D George Dyson</i>	Hymns (NEH)
<i>Anthem</i>	<i>Breathe on me breath of God Matthew Rogers</i>	342 Carlisle
<i>Voluntary</i>	<i>Allegro, Prélude, Adagio et Choral varié sur le thème du Veni Creator Maurice Duruflé</i>	138 Veni Creator

25 Monday

Verses | Decani

Bank Holiday

The Venerable Bede, monk, scholar, historian Adhelm, Bishop

10.00am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

3.30pm Evening Prayer

Psalm 119.33-56

26 Tuesday

Augustine, Archbishop

John Calvin, Reformer; Philip Neri, founder of the Oratorians

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

5.15pm Evening Prayer

Psalm 119.105-128

27 Wednesday

Feria

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

5.15pm Evening Prayer

Psalms 120, 121, 122

28 Thursday

Lanfranc, monk, Archbishop, scholar

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

5.15pm Evening Prayer

Psalms 132, 133

29 Friday

Feria

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

5.15pm Evening Prayer

Psalm 139

30 Saturday

Josephine Butler, social reformer; Joan of Arc, visionary; Apolo Kivebulaya, priest, evangelist

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

5.15pm Evening Prayer

Psalms 144, 145

TRINITY SUNDAY

Sunday 31 May

7.40am Morning Prayer

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) (Preacher: The Revd Paul Barrett)

10.00am **Cathedral Eucharist**

<i>Preacher</i>	<i>The Dean</i>	Hymns
<i>Setting</i>	<i>Missa Brevis Jonathan Dove</i>	373 Coe Fen
<i>Motet</i>	<i>Hymn of the Cherubim Sergei Rachmaninov</i>	<i>Let us build a house</i>
<i>Voluntary</i>	<i>Prelude in E flat (BWV 552, i) J.S. Bach</i>	146 Nicaea

11.00am **Choral Mattins** (BCP) in the Lord Mayor's Chapel

<i>Preacher</i>	<i>The Revd Paul Barrett</i>	Venite (51)
<i>Introit</i>	<i>Holy, Holy, Holy Franz Schubert</i>	Psalm 8 (35)
<i>Responses</i>	<i>John Sanders</i>	Hymns
<i>Te Deum</i>	<i>Set 3</i>	146 Nicaea
<i>Jubilate</i>	<i>Morning Service in F John Ireland</i>	343 Redhead
<i>Anthem</i>	<i>God so loved the world John Stainer</i>	373 Coe Fen
<i>Voluntary</i>	<i>Fugue in E flat (BWV 552, ii) J.S. Bach</i>	

3.30pm **Choral Evensong**

<i>Preacher</i>	<i>Canon Neil Patterson</i>	
<i>Responses</i>	<i>Sasha Johnson Manning</i>	Psalm 150
<i>Canticles</i>	<i>Evening Service in C Bryan Kelly</i>	Hymns (HPP)
<i>Anthem</i>	<i>My beloved spake Patrick Hadley</i>	188 Eisenach
<i>Voluntary</i>	<i>Prelude in C BWV 547 (i) J.S. Bach</i>	190 Das Neugeborne Kindelein

1 JUNE Monday

Verses | Cantoris

Visit of the Virgin Mary to Elizabeth

8.15am Morning Prayer;

12.30pm Eucharist

5.15pm Choral Evensong

<i>Responses</i>	<i>Sasha Johnson Manning</i>	Psalm 122
<i>Canticles</i>	<i>Evening Service in f Alan Gray</i>	Hymn 166 Oriel
<i>Anthem</i>	<i>Ave Maria Robert Parsons</i>	

2 Tuesday

8.15am Morning Prayer;

12.30pm Eucharist

1.15pm Lunchtime Recital *Ronny Krippner, organ*

5.15pm Choral Evensong

Responses *Herbert Sumsion*

Psalm 11

Canticles *Second Service William Byrd*

Hymn 145 *Old Hundredth*

Anthem *O Jesu Christ, meus Lebens Licht J.S. Bach*

3 Wednesday

Martyrs of Uganda

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

5.15pm Choral Evensong *sung by the Girl Choristers*

First EP of Corpus Christi

Responses *June Nixon*

Psalm 111

Canticles *Evening Service in E flat Edward Bairstow*

Hymn 104 *Salzburg*

Anthem *The Lord bless you and keep you John Rutter*

4 Thursday

Corpus Christi (Day of Thanksgiving for the Institution of Holy Communion)

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

6.00pm **Sung Eucharist** †*sung by the Cathedral Consort*

Hymns

Setting *Collegium Regale Herbert Howells*

268 *Pange Lingua*

Motet *Ave verum corpus William Byrd*

307 *Divine Mysteries*

Voluntary *Prelude on Pange Lingua Kerensa Briggs*

302 *Song 1*

5 Friday

Boniface, Bishop and martyr

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

5.15pm Choral Evensong *sung by the Lay Clerks*

Responses *Philip Moore*

Psalm 26

Canticles *Evening Service in E Charles Wood*

Hymn 221 *Exultet Caelum Laudibus*

Anthem *Great Lord of Lords Charles Wood*

6 Saturday

Ini Kopuria, founder of the Melanesian Brotherhood

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

5.15pm Evening Prayer

Psalm 31

Services

Bible Translation

The Cathedral uses the NRSV Anglicised Edition translation of the bible for all services except BCP Holy Communion on Sundays. Reading selections are taken from the Common Worship Lectionary, with Evensong readings taken from the Pillar Lectionary. At the Lord Mayor's Chapel, the King James Version is used, and readings are taken from the BCP readings of the day.

Choir

Unless otherwise specified, all choral services are sung by the Cathedral Choir or, at the Lord Mayor's Chapel, the chapel choir.

Communion

If it is your custom to receive communion in your own church, you are welcome to receive here, whatever your denomination. You may choose not to receive wine from the common cup, recognising that some people are still vulnerable. For the safety of all please do not intinct (dip the bread/host) into the chalice.

Feast Days Key

On each day there is an indication of whether it is a day of significance.

The different significances are indicated as follows:

- *Feria (no commemoration or otherwise)*
- *Commemoration*
- Lesser Festival
- Festival
- **PRINCIPAL FEAST**

For Festivals and Principal Feasts, (and the evening service the day before) the altar colours will reflect the occasion, and Festal Responses are said or sung at the close of the evening service.

Hymns

Hymns are taken from the *New English Hymnal*, except where it indicates "HPP", which refers to the *blue Hymns for Prayer + Praise* often used at Sunday Evensong.

Incense

On some feast days, incense is used during the service. This is indicated by the † symbol.

Live-Streaming

Weekday Morning Prayer is live streamed on our social media channels.

Photography and Recording

No photography or recording of any other kind may take place during services, concerts, or rehearsals without the express permission of the Chapter.

Psalms

The traditional BCP Coverdale translation is used at Evening Prayer and Evensong. Common Worship translation is used at all other services. The congregation sit for the psalms, standing for “Glory be to the Father...” at the end of the last psalm.

Service Length

Said Morning Prayer lasts approximately 15 minutes.

Said Lunchtime Eucharist lasts approximately 30 minutes.

Evensong lasts around 40 minutes; Evening Prayer around 20 minutes.

BCP Communion lasts around 40 minutes.

The Eucharist on a Sunday lasts around one hour.

On a Sunday, Evensong lasts around one hour, incorporating a sermon.

Translations of Anthems not in English

Translations of weekday anthems sung in languages other than English can be found at the back of this booklet.

Service Locations

On Sundays, the 8.00am BCP Holy Communion is held at the High Altar, and the 10.00am Eucharist in the Nave.

Morning Prayer is held every day in the Newton Chapel.

Evensong or Evening Prayer is held in the Quire, except Evening Prayer on Saturdays, which is held in the Berkeley Chapel, and Friday Evensongs in Lent, which are held in the Eastern Lady Chapel.

Please speak to a vergers or one of the welcome team to confirm the location of the day's services.

About the Cathedral Choir

Bristol Cathedral Choir lies at the heart of the worshipping life of the Cathedral, sustaining a pattern of worship that reaches back nearly nine hundred years. Our choir has the joy and privilege of enabling people to worship God through music and singing. A choir has been singing on the site of the Cathedral since the Augustinian monastery was founded in 1140. When the church formally became Bristol Cathedral in 1542 its statutes required that provision be made for the development and maintenance of the choir, whose role was to sing the praises of God. The passing of the centuries has modified but not destroyed the pattern. The choir consists of around 28 choristers, all of whom are educated at Bristol Cathedral Choir School, 16 probationers, educated at primary schools across Bristol and the surrounding area, four university-age Choral Scholars, and six professional Lay Clerks. Each year the Cathedral recruits four boys and four girls who are currently in Year 4 to become probationers when they reach Year 5. If you are interested in finding out more about your child becoming a chorister, please contact the Master of the Choristers, Mark Lee: mark.lee@bristol-cathedral.co.uk.

About us

The first church here was an abbey founded in 1140, where a community lived, prayed, and served the city following the rule of St Augustine of Hippo, a bishop from North Africa. After Henry VIII dissolved the monasteries, the church closed briefly, but in 1542 it became the Cathedral of the Holy and Undivided Trinity, Bristol.

Today, this remains a gathering place for the community — a home for celebration and lament, shaped by a rhythm of daily prayer led by clergy, supported by musicians, choir, staff and volunteers. Together we seek to worship God, follow Jesus, welcome others, transform communities and serve our bishop, guided by our values of openness, creativity, bravery and generosity.

We treasure this historic building, from the early Romanesque Chapter House to the 13th-century Gothic arches and the Victorian nave funded by the people of Bristol. Like much of the city, this generosity was tied to wealth from sugar, tobacco and cotton trade, built on the labour of enslaved Africans. We acknowledge this legacy, its human cost, and continue to address it.

Around you are monuments to Bristol's aristocrats and traders, alongside stained-glass windows honouring ordinary volunteers from the Second World War. Take a moment to remember the unnamed artisans and craftspeople who shaped this building and the ordinary citizens buried beneath your feet.

May you find something of God's generous love in the beauty, peace, and dedication of this place and its people.

THE LORD MAYOR'S CHAPEL dates back to 1220 initially built as part of a hospital founded by Maurice and Henry de Gaunt, grandsons of Robert Fitzharding, founder of the Abbey of St Augustine (which would later become Bristol Cathedral). At the dissolution of the monasteries in 1541, the Chapel was purchased by the Mayor of Bristol, at which point it became the Lord Mayor's Chapel. It has remained in the ownership of the City Council (and its predecessors) ever since, and since April 2023 has been in the care of Bristol Cathedral.

Translations of Anthems not in English

Friday 15 May

Viri Galilaei

William Byrd 1540-1623

Viri Galilei, quid admiramini
aspicientes in caelum? Alleluia!
Quemadmodum vidistis eum ascendentem
in caelum, ita veniet. Alleluia!

*Men of Galilee, why do you stand
looking up towards heaven? Alleluia!
He will come in the same way
as you saw him go into heaven. Alleluia!*

Omnes gentes plaudite manibus:
jubilate Deo in voce exultationis.

*Clap your hands, all you peoples:
O sing to God with shouts of joy.*

Gloria Patri et Filio
et Spiritui Sancto,
sicut erat in principio et nunc et semper
et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.*

Acts 1.11, Psalm 47.1

Saturday 23 May

In Pace in idipsum

John Blitheman 1525-91

In pace in idipsum dormiam et requiescam.
Si dederò somnum oculis meis:
et palpebris meis dormitacionem;
dormiam et requiescam.
Gloria Patri, et Filio,
et Spiritui Sancto.
In pace in idipsum dormiam et requiescam.

*In peace I will sleep and take my rest.
If I will allow my eyes to sleep:
and my eyelids to slumber;
I will sleep and take my rest.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit.
In peace I will sleep and take my rest.*

Psalms 4.8a, 132.4

Choral Evensong *at Bristol Cathedral*



Choral Evensong is sung nearly every day in Bristol Cathedral.

Evensong is a short 35-40 minute service in which most of the words and music is offered by the choir, allowing those present to be simply carried in prayer and song and offer back to God with thanksgiving the day he has given to us.

Evensong is free to attend, and open to all.
We would be delighted to have you with us.

5.15pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
3.30pm Sunday

For more information, including a full list of services, visit:

bristol-cathedral.co.uk

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Visit the Cathedral

*no charge for entry,
but donations are gratefully received*

Monday to Saturday 8.00am to 5.00pm

(best visiting times, 10.00am to 4.00pm)

Sunday 8.00am to 3.00pm

Services

Monday to Saturday

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Lunchtime Eucharist

5.15pm Choral Evensong

(or Evening Prayer, 3.30pm Saturday)

Sunday

7.40am Morning Prayer

8.00am Holy Communion *Book of Common Prayer*

10.00am Cathedral Eucharist

3.30pm Choral Evensong

Visit the Lord Mayor's Chapel

*no charge for entry,
but donations are gratefully received*

Check the website for opening hours

Services

Sunday

11.00am Choral Mattins *Book of Common Prayer*

11.00am Holy Communion

Common Worship Order One, in Traditional Language

(Third Sunday of the month)

For more information including a full list of services,
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