



*Inviting everyone to discover God's love  
through our welcome, worship, learning and work*

**Sunday 4 October 2020**  
**17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

**Changes to end of services** Traditionally the end of a service is an opportunity to meet and chat together, but the current circumstances mean that we simply cannot do this in person. This is difficult for all of us, but for the safety of everyone, and to comply with Government guidelines, we are asking congregations to leave promptly at the end of services, as guided by our stewards.

To help with this, exit from the 11.00 am Eucharist, and from Evensong, will now be via the North West door until further notice.

Clergy remain available for pastoral conversation at other times, and contact details are in this notice sheet. There is also an opportunity to meet together on zoom, after the 10.00 am Eucharist online, for virtual coffee.

**Face coverings are now mandatory for all those attending a place of worship** (unless you are exempt), including ministers, worshippers, staff, volunteers, contractors and visitors, where there may be other people present; remembering that they are mainly intended to protect other people, not the wearer, from coronavirus COVID-19 and that they are not a replacement for physical distancing and regular hand washing. *In order not to impair audibility during public worship, clergy will remove masks to speak and lead prayers but will wear masks at all other times: those who are administering holy communion will wear a mask during the time of administration.*

Please be aware that York Minster is now required to ask for your name and a contact telephone number or e-mail when you attend for worship. This will only be used if we are required to contact you due to the Test & Trace programme. Please bring a piece of paper or card with your contact details on it with you and put it in the box provided at the entrance. We will hold this information securely and will destroy it after 21 days.

**Pastoral Care at York Minster during the Covid 19 emergency** Clergy continue to be available for pastoral conversations. If you would like to chat, please drop us an email with your phone number, and we will get back to you.

Canon Michael Smith, Pastor	michaels@yorkminster.org
Canon Vicky Johnson, Precentor	precentor@yorkminster.org
Canon Maggie McLean, Missioner	missioner@yorkminster.org
Reverend Catriona Cumming, Succentor	succentor@yorkminster.org

**Prayer Requests** Please send any prayer requests to [prayers@yorkminster.org](mailto:prayers@yorkminster.org)  
We aim to send a prayer card in response to each request within 48 hours and then emails are deleted. *Canon Michael.*

## **Worship in the Minster**

### **Trinity 17**

8.00 am	<b>BCP Holy Communion</b> <i>Lady Chapel</i> Eph. 4. 1-6; Luke 14. 1-11
10.00 am	<b>Choral Matins</b> <i>Quire</i> Ps. 128; Isa. 49. 13-23; Luke 12. 1-12
11.00 am	<b>Choral Eucharist</b> <i>Nave</i> Matt. 21. 33-end
4.00 pm	<b>Choral Evensong</b> Ps. 136; Prov. 2. 1-11; 1 John 2. 1-17

### **Weekday Services**

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b> <i>Lady Chapel</i>
7.50 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> <i>Lady Chapel</i>
5.30 pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b> <i>Nave</i>

### **Zoom Worship**

#### **Sunday**

10.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b>
4.00 pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b>

#### **Weekdays**

5.00 pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b> <i>(Monday–Friday)</i>
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#### **Worship and Prayer Resources online**

**Sunday 4 October** Evensong available from 4.00 pm on the York Minster Website.

**Ticketing for Sunday Services** We have recently seen congregations of more than 100 people at the Sunday 11.00am Eucharist and we expect this number to rise. We have therefore made the decision to introduce a reservation system for Sunday services.

Our priority is to enable everyone to keep safe as we return to worship and to adhere to the social distancing guidelines currently in force. Covid-19 has affected virtually every aspect of our lives, and this change is just one more adaptation that we have to make in order to enjoy Sunday worship in a safe manner as we welcome choral music back to the Minster.

Reservations will be needed for the following Sunday services only:

- 10.00am Matins (Quire)
- 11.00am Eucharist (Nave)
- 4.00pm Evensong (Nave)

Tickets can be booked 8 days in advance, online through [www.yorkminster.org](http://www.yorkminster.org) or by phone on (01904) 557200 (9.00am to 3.00pm daily).

**Zoom Services and Music** We recognise that there are still those in our community who are not able to join us for worship in the Minster, and that this number may fluctuate, based on the prevalence of Covid-19. We are committed to continuing our Zoom services into 2021.

**Zoom Services and the Collection** One of the many elements of our regular service that is missing, however, is the collection! We understand that the present crisis is causing many to struggle in different ways, not least financially. However, others are not affected so There's been much positive feedback about the services we have been sharing via Zoom. drastically.

Thank you to everyone who is in a position to support the mission and ministry of the minster through regular giving during these difficult days. If you are not a regular giver and are in a position to 'put something in the collection', like you would at a normal service, please go to our website on this link <https://yorkminster.org/get-involved/donate/> Here it is possible to make a one off donation or to set up a new Standing Order. Thank you. *Canon Michael*

## NOTICES

**Curious about the Christian faith? Take “Your Next Step” - York Minster's four week Zoom course** A new four week short course on Zoom for people wanting to find out more about the Christian faith launched last week on Thursday 1 October 7.30pm–9.00 pm and will continue on the 8, 15 and 22 October.

“Your Next Step” provides a safe and supportive online space for conversations and questions about the Christian faith, God, living life as a Christian and how faith can support and sustain us through life's stages and challenges. Through worship, discussion, listening and sharing the aim is to offer a deepening and enriching experience of the Christian faith. This course is aimed at those curious about the Christian life and faith and want to know and learn a little bit more.

Can I ask you to think about this for yourselves but equally important to share this notice with those you know who might need a little encouraging to join but who are new to the Minster and perhaps new to faith.

Joining information

People interested in joining “*Your Next Steps*” will need to contact me in advance at [missioner@yorkminster.org](mailto:missioner@yorkminster.org) in order to receive details of the Zoom invitation for the course.

**From our Friends at the Meeting House in York** As part of Quaker Week (2–11 October) there will be a series of three Zoom meetings 7.30pm – 8.30pm on subjects relating to social justice which will interest some of you. On 6 October there will be one on Refugee Action; 7 October there will be one on the Climate Crisis; 8 October there will be one on Racial Equality. Speakers from local charities will talk about what actions their organisations are already taking to support these urgent social justice issues. For Zoom links please email:

[Friargate@yorkquakers.org.uk](mailto:Friargate@yorkquakers.org.uk)

**A new survey seeks to understand the human cost of the pandemic** The human cost of the coronavirus pandemic on people and communities across the country, is being assessed in a far-reaching survey to help Government and church leaders plan for further lockdowns and restrictions. The survey, *'Where do we go from here? Churches, communities & buildings during COVID and beyond'* wants to hear from everyone whose lives have been affected by the closure of church buildings, including all those who only used the building for social or community use and/or support, as well as those of all faiths and none. The project is being led by Dr Dee Dyas, Director of the Centre for the Study of Christianity and Culture at the University of York.

“This is not an academic study, this is about the human cost of the pandemic. Too high a price has already been paid by many, and we hope the results of this survey will make a difference in prioritising care for all people as we go into an unknown future.”

Over 2,000 people have already taken the survey. The results will be submitted to the Government and Church of England Recovery Group to evidence grassroots needs and priorities, to illustrate the role churches and religious buildings play in the life and wellbeing of communities across the country, and help ensure their sustainability in the event of future lockdowns and further restrictions. It is funded by the Association of English Cathedrals, Historic England, the Laing Family Trusts and York University and supported by the National Churches Trust, Historic Religious Buildings Alliance and the Church of England Church Buildings Division. Your help is requested.

Take the survey here: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/MZCDTF8>

**Minster Mice return on Zoom** All toddlers and parents/carers are welcome each Wednesday in term time, from 10.00 am. We sing songs, hear a short Bible story, and share news together. If you would like more information, and the zoom invite, please email Catriona [succentor@yorkminster.org](mailto:succentor@yorkminster.org)

**Sunday School** The younger group are meeting virtually, and resources are available at the moment for that group too.

**Carecent:** During this season of Harvest, Carecent would really appreciate financial donations. Donations can either be sent by cheque to:

Carecent  
Central Methodist Church  
St Saviourgate  
York YO1 8NQ

or by BACS payment directly to their bank account:

Santander  
Carecent  
Sort Code: 09-01-53  
Acc No: 38413286

**Laptops for school children** Rachel and Jeff Barber are still looking for redundant laptops. Please contact Rachel Barber via [rachel.barber.york@gmail.com](mailto:rachel.barber.york@gmail.com) if you think you can help.



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