# Temple Church

Sunday 22 November 2026
The Sunday next before Advent

## CHORAL COMMUNION, 11.15 a.m.
According to the Book of Common Prayer (1662)

**Welcome to this service at which the Temple Church Choir will sing and the Master, The Reverend Dr Andrew Bowyer, will officiate.**

**Our guest preacher is The Reverend Canon Dr John Rees.**

**If you are a visitor and receive Communion in your own church, you are welcome to do so here. Gluten-free wafers are available. Those who do not wish to receive Communion are invited to come for a blessing.**

**This morning's Communion setting is Mozart's *Missa Brevis in D*. This order of service is to be used in conjunction with pp 31-44 of the white laminated book.**

**The public-address system has a loop-facility. If you wear a hearing-aid, please turn its setting to T. Photography and filming are not permitted during the service.**

### ORGAN PRELUDE

Prélude sur le nom d'Alain, op 7 *Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)*

***All stand at the entrance of the choir.***

### INTROIT

O King enthroned on high,
thou Comforter divine,
blest Spirit of all truth, be nigh
and make us thine.

Thou art the source of life,
thou art our treasure-store;
give us thy peace and end our strife
for evermore.

Descend, O heavenly Dove,
abide with us alway;
and in the fullness of thy love
cleanse us, we pray.

*Music:* Henry Walford Davies (1869-1941)
*Words:* John Brownlie (1857-1925)

HYMN

**Crown him with many crowns,**
**The Lamb upon his throne;**
**Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns**
**All music but its own:**
**Awake, my soul, and sing**
**Of him who died for thee,**
**And hail him as thy matchless king**
**Through all eternity.**

**Crown him the Virgin's son**
**The God incarnate born**
**Whose arm those crimson trophies won**
**Which now his brow adorn**
**Fruit of the mystic Rose,**
**As of that Rose the Stem:**
**The root whence mercy ever flows,**
**The Babe of Bethlehem.**

**Crown him the Lord of love!**
**Behold his hands and side,--**
**Those wounds, yet visible above,**
**In beauty glorified:**
**No angel in the sky**
**Can fully bear that sight,**
**But downward bends his burning eye**
**At mysteries so bright!**

**Crown him the Lord of peace,**
**Whose power a sceptre sways**
**From pole to pole, that wars may cease,**
**And all be prayer and praise;**
**His reign shall know no end,**
**And round his pierced feet**
**Fair flowers of Paradise extend**
**Their fragrance ever sweet.**

**Crown him the Lord of years!**
**The Potentate of time,**
**Creator of the rolling spheres,**
**Ineffably sublime!**
**All hail! Redeemer,--Hail!**
**For Thou hast died for me;**
**Thy praise shall never, never fail**
**Throughout eternity!**

*Music Diademata,* Sir G. J. Elvey (1816-1893)
*Words:* Matthew Bridges (1800-1894)

***All sit or kneel after the Lord's prayer.***

***After the Summary of the Law the Choir sings:***

THE KYRIE

THE COLLECT

Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON
Jeremiah 23. 5-8

Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth. In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is his name whereby he shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.

Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that they shall no more say, The LORD liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; But, The LORD liveth, which brought up and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north country, and from all countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land.

***All stand for the Psalm.***

PSALM 85. 8-end

I will hearken what the Lord God will say concerning me:
for he shall speak peace unto his people, and to his saints, that they turn not again.
For his salvation is nigh them that fear him:
that glory may dwell in our land.
Mercy and truth are met together:
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
Truth shall flourish out of the earth:
and righteousness hath looked down from heaven.
Yea, the Lord shall shew loving-kindness:
and our land shall give her increase.
Righteousness shall go before him:
and he shall direct his going in the way.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen.

***The priest introduces the Gospel.***

THE GOSPEL
John 6. 5-15

When Jesus then lifted up his eyes, and saw a great company come unto him, he saith unto Philip, Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat? And this he said to prove him: for he himself knew what he would do.

Philip answered him, Two hundred pennyworth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little. One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, saith unto him, There is a lad here, which hath five barley loaves, and two small fishes: but what are they among so many?

And Jesus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves; and when he had given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would.

When they were filled, he said unto his disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten. Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that prophet that should come into the world.

When Jesus therefore perceived that they would come and take him by force, to make him a king, he departed again into a mountain himself alone.

***All remain standing and all face East while the Choir and congregation sing the Creed.***

THE CREED

***All sit.***

THE SERMON

The Reverend Canon Dr John Rees

***All stand.***

## HYMN

**1.**
**The King of love my Shepherd is,**
**Whose goodness faileth never;**
**I nothing lack if I am his**
**And he is mine for ever.**

**2.**
**Where streams of living water flow**
**My ransomed soul he leadeth,**
**And where the verdant pastures grow**
**With food celestial feedeth**

**3.**
**Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,**
**But yet in love he sought me,**
**And on his shoulder gently laid,**
**And home rejoicing brought me.**

**4.**
**In death's dark vale I fear no ill**
**With thee, dear Lord, beside me;**
**Thy rod and staff my comfort still,**
**Thy Cross before to guide me.**

**5.**
**Thou spread'st a table in my sight;**
**Thy unction grace bestoweth;**
**And O what transport of delight**
**From thy pure chalice floweth!**

**6.**
**And so through all the length of days**
**Thy goodness faileth never:**
**Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise**
**Within thy house for ever.**

*Music: Wolvercote,* W. H. Ferguson (1874-1950)
*Words:* Sir H.W. Baker (1821-1877)

***All sit or kneel.***

## THE PRAYERS

## COMMUNION ANTHEM

Great Lord of Lords, supreme immortal King, O give us grace to sing
thy praise, which makes earth, air, and heaven to ring.
O word of God, from ages unbegun, the Father's only son,
with him in power, in substance, thou art one.
O Holy Ghost, whose care doth all embrace, thy watch is o'er our race,
thou source of life, thou spring of peace and grace.
One living Trinity, one unseen light, all, all, is thine, thy sight
beholds alike the bounds of depth and height. Amen.

*Music:* Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)
*Words:* The Revd Henry Ramsden Bramley (1833-1917)

## THE PRAYERS

***All stand.***

## THE GLORIA

## THE BLESSING

## HYMN

**Alleluia, sing to Jesus**
**His the sceptre, his the throne.**
**Alleluia, his the triumph,**
**His the victory alone.**
**Hark the songs of peaceful Sion**
**Thunder like a mighty flood:**
**Jesus out of every nation**
**Hath redeemed us by his blood.**

**Alleluia, not as orphans**
**Are we left in sorrow now;**
**Alleluia, he is near us;**
**Faith believes, nor questions how.**
**Though the cloud from sight received Him**
**When the forty days were o'er,**
**Shall our hearts forget his promise:**
**"I am with you evermore?"**

**Alleluia, Bread of Angels,**
**Thou on earth our food, our stay!**
**Alleluia, here the sinful**
**Flee to thee from day to day.**
**Intercessor, friend of sinners,**
**Earth's redeemer, plead for me,**
**Where the songs of all the sinless**
**Sweep across the crystal sea.**

**Alleluia, King eternal,**
**Thee the Lord of Lords we own;**
**Alleluia, born of Mary,**
**Earth thy footstool, heav'n thy throne.**
**Thou within the veil hast entered,**
**Robed in flesh, our great high priest;**
**Thou on earth both priest and victim**
**In the eucharistic feast.**

*Music :* Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887)
*Words :* W. Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)

## THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Fugue sur le nom d'Alain, op 7 *Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)*

***We ask your prayers for those dear to us in this House, and at this time especially for the following***:

## ANNIVERSARIES OF MARRIAGE

Matthew and Nicola Barnes
Christopher and Vaw Brown
Anthony and Terina Corda
Nicholas and Sally Forwood
Anthony and Nell Gamble
Richard and Laura Hayward
Jennifer Murray and Thomas Hage
Francis and Jessica Ijeh
Alan and Grace Karthikesalingham
William and Beatrice McPhail
Michael and Alexandra Payne
Rory and Anna Phillips
James and Emma Tussaud
Anthony and Sarah Walker
David and Victoria Ward
Jerram and Eleanor White

## THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Philip Colver
Graham Trembath

## YEAR'S MIND

Roger Adams
John Ashton Thomas
Louis Blom-Cooper
Anthony Boswood
Rupert Bromley
Peter Carter-Ruck
Jonathan Culshaw
Paula Davies
John Deby
Hamish de Courcy Thompson
Edgar Fay
James Flynn
Oliver Gadney
Donald Gordon
Joan Hatcher
Rose Heilbron
John Hopkins
Jeremy Hutchinson
P. D. James
Robin Leigh-Pemberton
Charles McCullough
George Newman
Murray Pickering
Michael Pittaway
Alison Ross
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Johan Steyn
Michael Turner
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## DRINKS IN THE ROUND

The congregation is invited to drinks in the Round Church after the service. A donation to help cover our costs is greatly appreciated.

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**Sunday 22 November, 5.00pm**
**'WE SHALL REMEMBER THEM'**
*Sung by The Temple Youth Choir*

Temple Music Foundation Concert
*For more information and to book, www.templemusic.org*
Tickets are also available on the door.

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