



WORCESTER
CATHEDRAL

Services and Music September 2026

It is said that Hildegard of Bingen, whose feast we celebrate later this month, wrote more than 300 letters to those seeking her advice. On top of this she was visited by, and indeed met on her preaching travels, many others who valued her wise theological, spiritual and political counsel. Alongside her mystical writings - the fruit of her experience of many visions - and her skill in musical composition, Hildegard was a strong enthusiast of monastic life and rooted in the rhythm of community prayer. As we remember her in this place, where the rhythm of daily prayer and the offering of divine music continue across the centuries, we pray that we might follow Hildegard's example of prayer and prophetic living.

Stephen Edwards

Dean:
Director of Music:

Stephen Edwards
Samuel Hudson

All choral services are sung by the cathedral choir unless otherwise stated.

August/September 2026

In Residence: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan

Sunday 30th The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 107.1-32
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (BCP) (*with livestream*) Preacher: The Dean
- 10.30 am **Sung Eucharist** (*sung by the choir of St Mary's, Horsham*)
Communion Service in F Harold Darke Psalm 115
Christ has no body now but yours David Ogden
Preacher: The Dean
- 4.00 pm **Evensong** (*sung by the choir of St Mary's, Horsham*) Responses: Rose
Evening Service in D Herbert Brewer Psalm 105.1-15
Psalm 150 Philip Stopford Hymns 434, 360 (t. 3i)
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Monday 31st Aidan, Bishop of Lindisfarne, Missionary, 651

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 123, 124, 125, 126
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)
- 5.30 pm **Evening Prayer** Psalms 127, 128, 129

Tuesday 1st September

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 132,133
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)
- 5.30 pm **Evening Prayer** Psalms 134,135

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Wednesday 2nd

Day of music endowed on behalf of Acorns Children's Hospice.

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 119.153-end
8.00 am	Holy Communion (with livestream)	
1.00 pm	Holy Communion	
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer	Psalms 136

VERSE: DECANI

Thursday 3rd

**Gregory the Great, Bishop of Rome,
Teacher of the Faith, 604**

Day of music endowed by Judith Aldridge.

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 143, 146
8.00 am	Holy Communion (with livestream)	
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer	Psalms 138, 140, 141

Friday 4th

Day of music endowed by Gordon and Julianne Bunker.

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 142, 144
8.00 am	Holy Communion (with livestream)	
11.30 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer	Psalms 145
7.30 pm	Concert	Concerts by Candlelight
	The Music of Adele by Candlelight	

Saturday 5th

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 147
8.00 am	Holy Communion (with livestream)	
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer	Psalms 148, 149, 150
7.30 pm	Concert	Concerts by Candlelight
	The Music of Tina Turner by Candlelight	

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In Residence: The Dean

Sunday 6th The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 119.17-32
8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP) <i>(with livestream)</i>	
	Preacher: The Revd Dr John Fitzmaurice	
10.30 am	Eucharist with Hymns	Psalms 149, 150
	Preacher: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan	
4.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Psalms 108, 115

Monday 7th

Day of music endowed by Mr and Mrs John Humphrey.

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 1, 2, 3
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer	Psalms 72

Tuesday 8th The Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 63.1-9, 149
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
10.00 am	University of Worcester Graduation Ceremony	
12.30pm	University of Worcester Graduation Ceremony	
3.00 pm	University of Worcester Graduation Ceremony	
5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Psalms 122, 127
5.30 pm	Sung Eucharist <i>(Lower voices; with incense)</i>	
	Messe Brève <i>James Davy</i>	Canticle: Judith 16.13-16
	Beata es virgo Maria <i>Jacob Handl</i>	
	Preacher: The Revd Dr John Fitzmaurice	

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Wednesday 9th

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 119.1-32
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
10.00 am	University of Worcester Graduation Ceremony	
12.30pm	University of Worcester Graduation Ceremony	
1.00 pm	Holy Communion	
3.00 pm	University of Worcester Graduation Ceremony	
5.30 pm	Evensong <i>(sung by the Choral Scholars)</i>	Responses: Plainsong
	Plainsong Canticles	Psalms 11, 12, 13
	Cantate Domino <i>Giammateo Asola</i>	

VERSE: CANTORIS

Thursday 10th

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 14, 15, 16
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
10.00 am	University of Worcester Graduation Ceremony	
12.30 pm	University of Worcester Graduation Ceremony	
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer	Psalms 18

Friday 11th

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 17, 19
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
11.30 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
5.30 pm	Evensong	Responses: Radcliffe
	The Short Service <i>Orlando Gibbons</i>	Psalms 22
	View me, Lord <i>Richard Lloyd</i>	

Saturday 12th

Day of music endowed by Mrs Caroline Aldhouse.

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 20, 21, 23
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
5.30 pm	Evensong with the Admission of Choral and Organ Scholars	
	The Edington Service <i>Grayston Ives</i>	Responses: Leighton
	O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands <i>William Walton</i>	Psalms 24, 25
		Hymns 370, 336

September 2026

In Residence: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan

Sunday 13th The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 119.65-88
8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP) (<i>with livestream</i>)	Preacher: The Dean
10.30 am	Sung Eucharist with Presentation of Chorister Awards	
	Missa Eliensis <i>Arthur Wills</i>	Psalms 114
	Ave Maria <i>Robert Parsons</i>	Preacher: The Dean
4.00 pm	Evensong	Responses: <i>Radcliffe</i>
	Evening Service in C <i>Charles Villiers Stanford</i>	Psalms 119.41-64
	Alleluya psallat <i>Peter Aston</i>	Hymns 140, 155
6.30 pm	Evening Worship (<i>sung by the Voluntary Choir</i>)	
	Make me a light <i>Philip Wilby</i>	
	Lord of the Dance <i>arr. John Barnard</i>	
	Preacher: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan	

Monday 14th Holy Cross Day

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 2, 8, 146
8.00 am	Holy Communion (<i>with livestream</i>)	
5.30 pm	Evensong	Responses: <i>Radcliffe</i>
	Evening Service in A <i>Herbert Sumsion</i>	Psalms 110, 150
	Christus factus est <i>Felice Anerio</i>	Hymn 379

Tuesday 15th Cyprian, Bishop of Carthage, Martyr, 258

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 32, 36
8.00 am	Holy Communion (<i>with livestream</i>)	
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer	Psalms 33

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Wednesday 16th Ninian, Bishop, Apostle of the Picts, c. 432

Day of music endowed by David & Susan Snaith.

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalm 34
8.00 am	Holy Communion (with livestream)	
1.00 pm	Holy Communion	
5.30 pm	Evensong (sung by the Choral Scholars)	Responses: Plainsong
	Plainsong Canticles	Psalm 119.33-56
	In manus tuas Robert Parsons	

VERSE: DECANI

Thursday 17th Hildegard, Abbess of Bingen, Visionary, 1179

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalm 37
8.00 am	Holy Communion (with livestream)	
12.15 pm	Lunchtime Recital	Bas Westerhof (organ)
5.30 pm	Evensong	Responses: Rose
	Evening Service in E minor Richard Drakeford	Psalms 39, 40
	I love all beauteous things Judith Weir	

Friday 18th

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalm 31
8.00 am	Holy Communion (with livestream)	
11.30 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
12.00 noon	Heart of Worcestershire College Graduations Ceremony	
5.30 pm	Evensong (Lower voices)	
	Magnificat primi toni Francesco Soriano	Responses: Tallis
	Nunc dimittis tertii toni Tomás Luis de Victoria	Psalm 35
	Hear the voice and prayer Thomas Tallis	

Saturday 19th

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 41, 42, 43
8.00 am	Holy Communion (with livestream)	
12.00 pm	Holy Communion for Benedictine Companions	
1.00 pm	Diocesan Readers Licensing Service	
	Preacher: The Revd Canon Doug Chaplin	
5.30 pm	Evensong	Responses: Leighton
	Collegium Regale Charles Wood	Psalms 45, 46
	Faire is the Heaven William Harris	Hymns 250, 471

September 2026

In Residence: The Dean

Sunday 20th The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 119.153-end
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (BCP) (*with livestream*)
Preacher: The Revd Dr John Fitzmaurice
- 10.30 am **Sung Eucharist**
Collegium Regale *Herbert Howells* Psalm 105.36-end
Tantum ergo Louis Vierne Preacher: The Bishop of Morogoro
- 4.00 pm **Evensong** Responses: Rose
Evening Service in D *Herbert Sumsion* Psalm 119.113-136
God be merciful *Ian Venables* Hymns 251, 457ii
- 6.30 pm **Evening Worship** (*sung by the Voluntary Choir*)
I give to you a new commandment *Peter Nardone*
Light of the World *John Dankworth* Preacher: The Dean
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Monday 21st Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 49, 117
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)
- 5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: Rose
The Second Service *William Byrd* Psalm 119.33-40, 89-96
Give us the wings of faith *Ernest Bullock* Hymn 189

Tuesday 22nd

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 48, 52
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)
- 5.30 pm **Evensong** (*sung by Malvern College Choral Day Massed Choir*)
Evening Service in C *Charles Villiers Stanford* Responses: *Sumsion*
Love divine *Howard Goodall* Psalm 50

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Wednesday 23rd

Ember Day

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 119.57-80
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
1.00 pm	Holy Communion	
5.30 pm	Evensong <i>(sung by the Choral Scholars)</i>	Responses: Plainsong
	Plainsong Canticles	Psalms 59, 60
	Gloria tibi, Domine <i>William Byrd</i>	

VERSE: CANTORIS

Thursday 24th

Day of music endowed by Professor John Vickerman and Dr Linda Watson.

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 56, 57
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
12.15 pm	Lunchtime Recital	William Forrest (organ)
5.30 pm	Evensong	Responses: <i>Clucas</i>
	Evening Service in F <i>George Dyson</i>	Psalms 61, 62, 64
	We wait for thy loving kindness <i>William McKie</i>	

Friday 25th

Lancelot Andrewes, Bishop, Spiritual Writer, 1626 Ember Day

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 51, 54
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
11.30 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
5.30 pm	Evensong attended by King's Scholars	Responses: <i>Clucas</i>
	Evening Service in F <i>John Ireland</i>	Psalms 38
	A Pilgrim's Prayer <i>John Rutter</i>	Hymn 94

Saturday 26th

Ember Day

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 68
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
5.30 pm	Evensong	Responses: <i>Reading</i>
	The Short Service <i>John Blow</i>	Psalms 65, 66
	There is an old belief <i>C. Hubert H. Parry</i>	Hymns 252, 408i
7.30 pm	Gala Organ Recital	Martin Baker (organ)

September 2026

In Residence: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan

Sunday 27th The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 125, 126, 127

8.00 am **Holy Communion** (BCP) (*with livestream*)

Preacher: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan

10.30 am **Sung Eucharist**

Missa Brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo *Joseph Haydn*

Psalms 78.1-8

Benedicimus Deum caeli *James MacMillan*

Preacher: Professor John Vickerman

4.00 pm **Evensong** (*Lower voices*)

Responses: *Cleobury*

Evening Service in E *Herbert Howells*

Psalms 120, 123, 124

Great Lord of Lords *Charles Wood*

Hymns 497, 436

6.30 pm **Evening Worship** (*sung by the Voluntary Choir*)

Litany to the Holy Spirit *Peter Hurford*

Jesus is Lord *Martin How*

Preacher: The Revd Dr Robin Parry

Monday 28th

7.30 am **Morning Prayer**

Psalms 71

8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)

5.30 pm **Evensong**

Responses: *Clucas*

Evening Service in D *Charles Wood*

Psalms 72, 75

Justorum animae *William Byrd*

Tuesday 29th

Michael and All Angels

Day of music endowed by the Ouseley Church Music Trust.

7.30 am **Morning Prayer**

Psalms 34, 150

8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)

5.30 pm **Evening Prayer**

Psalms 138, 148

September/October 2026

Wednesday 30th

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalm 77
8.00 am	Holy Communion (with livestream)	
1.00 pm	Holy Communion	
5.30 pm	Evensong (sung by the Choral Scholars)	Responses: Plainsong
	Plainsong Canticles	Psalm 119.81-104
	Caro mea <i>Francisco Guerrero</i>	

VERSE: DECANI

Thursday 1st October

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalm 78.1-39
8.00 am	Holy Communion (with livestream)	
5.30 pm	Evensong	Responses: <i>Smith</i>
	Collegium Sancti Johannis Cantabrigiense <i>Herbert Howells</i>	
	O for a closer walk with God <i>Charles Villiers Stanford</i>	Psalm 78.41-end
7.30 pm	Concert	Concerts by Candlelight
	The Music of the Eagles by Candlelight	

Friday 2nd

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalm 55
8.00 am	Holy Communion (with livestream)	
11.30 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
5.30 pm	Evensong (Lower voices)	Responses: <i>Rose</i>
	The Worcester Service <i>Piers Connor Kennedy</i>	Psalm 69
	In manus tuas <i>John Sheppard</i>	
7.30 pm	Concert	Concerts by Candlelight
	The Music of Coldplay by Candlelight	

Saturday 3rd

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 76, 79
8.00 am	Holy Communion (with livestream)	
5.30 pm	Evensong attended by the Friends of Worcester Cathedral	
	Evening Service in G minor <i>Francis Jackson</i>	Responses: <i>Reading</i>
	Prevent us, O Lord <i>William Byrd</i>	Psalms 81, 84
		Hymns 417, 159

October 2026

In Residence: The Dean

Sunday 4th

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Harvest Thanksgiving

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 128, 129, 134

8.00 am **Holy Communion** (BCP) (*with livestream*) Preacher: The Dean

10.30 am **Harvest Eucharist**

Communion Service in C and F *Charles Villiers Stanford* Psalm 65

For the beauty of the earth *Ian King*

Preacher: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan

2.30 pm **Worship in the Garden**

4.00 pm **Evensong** Responses: *Smith*

Collegium Magdalenae Oxoniense *Kenneth Leighton* Psalm 136

The heavens are telling *Joseph Haydn* Hymns 260, 267

6.30 pm **Worcestershire Farmers' Harvest Thanksgiving**

(*sung by the Voluntary Choir*)

Look at the world *John Rutter* Preacher: The Bishop