

BathAbbey

Bath Abbey
Services & Music List
2024
September - November



Our regular Weekday services are as follows:

8.30am Morning Prayer Monday – Thursday.

8.30am Holy Communion Friday.

5.30pm Evening Prayer Monday – Friday unless Choral Evensong is taking place.

Unless otherwise indicated all services on Weekdays and

8am Holy Communion on Sundays are said services.

SUNDAY 1 SEPTEMBER

14th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Church Family Communion *Led by the Music Group*

Hymns 194, 700, 608, 592, 818

11.30am Sung Eucharist *Sung by Ex Collegio Cantabrigiense*

Introit Hosanna to the son of David *Gibbons*

Setting *Stanford* in C and F

Communion Ego sum panis vivus *Palestrina*

Hymns 335, 602, 669, 710

3.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by Ex Collegio Cantabrigiense*

Introit Hosanna to the son of David *Gibbons* Responses *Rose*

Canticles Magnificat secundi toni *Soriano*

Nunc dimittis *Wood* in B flat Psalm 119 v1-16

Anthem Give unto the Lord *Elgar* Hymns REH 588, 516

6.30pm Informal Service

TUESDAY 3 SEPTEMBER @1.00pm Organ Recital Huw Williams, Bath Abbey

THURSDAY 5 SEPTEMBER

5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Girls and Lay Clerks*

Introit Ave maris stella *Grieg* Responses *Smith*

Canticles *Jackson* in G Psalm 18 v1-15

Anthem My soul, there is a country *Parry*

SUNDAY 8 SEPTEMBER

15th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am All Together Service *Led by the Abbey Boys*

Anthems Magnificat in E flat *Bairstow*
Ex ore innocentium *Ireland*

Hymns 757, 625, 748 (omit v2)

11.30am Sung Eucharist *Sung by the Abbey Boys and Lay Clerks*

Introit	Set me as a seal <i>Walton</i>
Setting	Little Organ Mass <i>Haydn</i>
Communion	O sacrum convivium <i>Tallis</i>
Hymns	9, 387, 422, 748

3.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Girls and Lay Clerks*

Introit	Ave Maris Stella <i>Grieg</i>	Responses	<i>Smith</i>
Canticles	Magnificat from The Second Service <i>Leighton</i>		
	Nunc dimittis <i>Rachmaninov</i>	Psalm	119 v41-56
Anthem	Ihr habt nun Traurigkeit <i>Brahms</i>	Hymns	REH 282, 283

6.30pm Informal Service

TUESDAY 10 SEPTEMBER @1.00pm Organ Recital Dewi Rees, Bath Abbey
part of Heritage Open Days

TUESDAY 10 SEPTEMBER

5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Boys and Lay Clerks*

Introit	Set me as a seal <i>Walton</i>	Responses	<i>Paul Spicer</i>
Canticles	The Fourth Service <i>Batten</i>	Psalm	33 v1-12
Anthem	O be joyful <i>John Rutter</i>		

THURSDAY 12 SEPTEMBER

5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Girls*

Introit Glory to thee, my God this night *Tallis* Responses *Malcolm Archer*
Canticles *Samsion* in G Psalm 40
Anthem Paratum cor meum *Blow*

SUNDAY 15 SEPTEMBER

16th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Church Family Communion *Led by the Abbey Girls*

Anthems *Agnus Dei Fauré*
O sacrum convivium Leighton

Hymns 763, 373, 451, 785, SOF 307

11.30am Sung Eucharist *Sung by the Abbey Girls and Lay Clerks*

Introit *Ave verum Pearsall*
Setting *Coronation Mass Mozart*
Communion *Laudate Dominum Mozart*
Hymns 813, 383, 644, 827

3.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Boys and Lay Clerks*

Introit *Cantate Domino Pitoni* Responses *Paul Spicer*
Canticles *Noble* in A minor Psalm 119 v73-88
Anthem *Let the people praise thee Mathias* Hymns REH 428, 580

6.30pm Informal Service

TUESDAY 17 SEPTEMBER @1.00pm Organ Recital Dewi Rees, Bath Abbey

TUESDAY 17 SEPTEMBER

5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Boys, Lay Clerks and Choral Scholars*

Introit	Cantate Domino <i>Pitoni</i>	Responses	<i>Paul Spicer</i>
Canticles	<i>Stanford</i> in G	Psalm	50 v1-15
Anthem	Ubi caritas <i>Ola Gjeilo</i>		

THURSDAY 19 SEPTEMBER

5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Girls and Lay Clerks*

Introit	Our Father <i>Tavener</i>	Responses	<i>Philip Moore</i>
Canticles	<i>Sumsion</i> in G	Psalm	64
Anthem	Salve Regina <i>Poulenc</i>		

SUNDAY 22 SEPTEMBER Harvest Thanksgiving (17th Sunday after Trinity)

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Harvest Festival Service *Sung by the Abbey Boys and Lay Clerks*

Introit	For the beauty of the earth <i>Philip Stopford</i>
Setting	Communion Service in C and F <i>Stanford</i>
Communion	Benedicite <i>Sumsion</i>
Hymns	290, 284, 706, 639, 650

3.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Girls and Lay Clerks*

Introit	Our Father <i>Tavener</i>	Responses	<i>Philip Moore</i>
Canticles	<i>Annabel Rooney</i> in D	Psalm	119 v137-152
Anthem	O clap your hands <i>Gibbons</i>	Hymns	REH 358, 356

6.30pm Informal Service

TUESDAY 24 SEPTEMBER @1.00pm Organ Recital

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5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Boys*

Introit A grateful heart *Mary Plumstead* Responses *Plainsong*
Canticles *Bairstow* in E flat Psalm 74 v1-18
Anthem Ex ore innocentium *Ireland*

THURSDAY 26 SEPTEMBER

5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Girls and Lay Clerks*

Introit Sing joyfully *Byrd* Responses *Philip Moore*
Canticles The Short Service *Gibbons* Psalm 78 v40-end
Anthem Wie lieblich sind *Brahms*

SUNDAY 29 SEPTEMBER

18th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Church Family Communion *Led by the Abbey Chamber Choir*

Anthems Ego sum panis vivus *Palestrina*
If ye love me *Tallis*

Hymns 4, 714, 683, 512, 828

11.30am Sung Eucharist *Sung by the Abbey Girls and Lay Clerks*

Introit Sing joyfully *Byrd*
Setting Missa Octo Voces *Hassler*
Communion Thou hast searched me out *Joanna Marsh*
Hymns 676, 389, 806, 475

3.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Boys and Lay Clerks*

Introit Before the ending of the day *Plainsong* Responses *Clucas*
Canticles *Howells* in B minor Psalm 120, 121
Anthem All wisdom cometh from the Lord *Philip Moore*
Hymns REH 522, 481

6.30pm Informal Service

TUESDAY 1 OCTOBER @1.00pm Organ Recital Hugh Morris, RSCM

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5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Boys and Lay Clerks*

Introit Before the ending of the day *Plainsong* Responses *Clucas*
Canticles The Second Service *Byrd* Psalm 89 v20-36
Anthem Do not be afraid *Philip Stopford*

THURSDAY 3 OCTOBER

5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Lay Clerks*

Introit If ye love me *Tallis* Responses *Philip Moore*
Canticles Magnificat Secundi toni *Suriano* Psalm 94
Nunc dimittis tertii toni *Victoria*
Anthem In the Lord's word *Purcell*

SUNDAY 6 OCTOBER

19th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am All Together Service *Led by the Melody Makers*

Anthems

Hymns 357, 494, 712, 358, 777

11.30am Sung Eucharist *Sung by the Abbey Boys and Lay Clerks*

Introit View me, Lord *Lloyd*
Setting Missa Brevis *Walton*
Communion Ave verum *Elgar*
Hymns 291, (part 2 & 3), 294, 814, 589

3.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Girls and Lay Clerks*

Introit Locus iste *Bruckner* Responses *Philip Moore*
Canticles *Stanford* in A Psalm 125, 126
Anthem Blessed city, heavenly Salem *Bairstow* Hymns REH 270, 271

6.30pm Informal Service

TUESDAY 8 OCTOBER @1.00pm Organ Recital Marcus Sealy, Bath

TUESDAY 8 OCTOBER

5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Boys, Lay Clerks and Choral Scholars*

Introit View me, Lord *Lloyd* Responses *Clucas*
Canticles *Murrill* in E Psalm 107 v1-22
Anthem Jesu joy of man's desiring *J S Bach*

THURSDAY 10 OCTOBER

5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Girls and Lay Clerks*

Introit Hear my prayer *Purcell* Responses *Leighton*
Canticles *Purcell* in G minor Psalm 116
Anthem Priidite, poklonimsia *Rachmaninov*

SUNDAY 13 OCTOBER

20th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Church Family Communion *Led by the Abbey Girls*

Anthems Magnificat in D *Sumsion*
O sacrum convivium *Messiaen*

Hymns 394, 2, SOF 327, 675, SOF 804, 584 (omit v3)

11.30am Sung Eucharist *Sung by the Abbey Girls and Lay Clerks*

Introit Hear my prayer *Purcell*
Setting Missa Brevis *Kodály*
Communion O sacrum convivium *Messiaen*
Hymns 537i, 357, 367, 753

3.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Boys and Lay Clerks*

Introit Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake *Farrant* Responses *Clucas*
Canticles *Stanford* in C Psalm 127, 128
Anthem Hear my prayer *Mendelssohn* Hymns REH 588, 556 (omit *)

6.30pm Informal Service

TUESDAY 15 OCTOBER @1.00pm Organ Recital Gavin Phelps, Bath Abbey

TUESDAY 15 OCTOBER

5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Boys and Lay Clerks*

Introit Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake *Farrant* Responses *Clucas*
Canticles *Howells* in B minor Psalm 135 v1-12
Anthem They that go down to the sea in ships *Sumsion*

THURSDAY 17 OCTOBER

5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Girls*

Introit Lift thine eyes *Mendelssohn* Responses *Malcolm Archer*
Canticles *Sumsion* in D Psalm 140
Anthem Psalm 23 *Schubert*

SUNDAY 20 OCTOBER

21st Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Church Family Communion *Led by the Abbey Boys*

Anthems The Call *Vaughan Williams*
Jesu joy of man's desiring *J S Bach*

Hymns 619, (omit v4&5), 700, 827, NEH 358, 433, 497

11.30am Sung Eucharist *Sung by the Abbey Boys and Lay Clerks*

Introit O taste and see *Vaughan Williams*
Setting Mass for Four Voices *Byrd*
Communion Ave verum *Mary Badarak*
Hymns 593ii, 569i, 663, 612

3.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Girls and Lay Clerks*

Introit Lift thine eyes *Mendelssohn* Responses *Leighton*
Canticles *Gray* in F minor Psalm 141
Anthem Give unto the Lord *Elgar* Hymns REH 510, 505

6.30pm Informal Service

MONDAY 21 OCTOBER

The Abbey Boys Choir and Lay Clerks are singing Evensong
at St Paul's Cathedral at 5.00pm.

All are welcome.

TUESDAY 22 OCTOBER @1.00pm Organ Recital Dewi Rees, Bath Abbey

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5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Chamber Choir*

Introit	Give almes of thy goods <i>Tye</i>	Responses <i>Ayleward</i>
Canticles	<i>Wood</i> in E flat No.2	Psalm 9
Anthem	I saw the Lord <i>Stainer</i>	

THURSDAY 24 OCTOBER

5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Girls and Lay Clerks*

Introit	Before the ending of the day <i>Plainsong</i>	Responses <i>Leighton</i>
Canticles	<i>Stanford</i> in G	Psalm 18 v1-15
Anthem	Selig sind die da leid Toten <i>Brahms</i>	

SATURDAY 26 OCTOBER

5.00pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Oriana Singers*

Canticles	<i>Bairstow</i> in D	Responses <i>Bertalot</i>
Anthem	Christus factus est <i>Bruckner</i>	Psalm 24

SUNDAY 27 OCTOBER**Bible Sunday (22nd Sunday after Trinity)**

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Church Family Communion *Led by the Chamber Choir*Anthems Give almes of thy goods *Tye*
O salutaris hostia *Elgar*

Hymns 507, 388, 598, 383, 146, 595

11.30am Sung Eucharist *Sung by the Oriana Singers*Setting *Stanford* in C & FCommunion Open thou mine eyes *Rutter*

Hymns

3.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Oriana Singers*Introit Jesu, the very thought of thee *Bairstow* Responses *Bertalot*Canticles St Paul's Service *Howells* Psalm 119 v1-16Anthem How beauteous are their feet *Stanford* Hymns REH 503, 486

6.30pm Informal Service

TUESDAY 29 OCTOBER @1.00pm Organ Recital Asher Oliver, Guildford Cathedral**SATURDAY 2 NOVEMBER**5.00pm Choral Evensong *Sung by a visiting choir*

Canticles Responses

Anthem Psalm 46

SUNDAY 3 NOVEMBER**All Saints**

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Church Family Communion *Led by the Music Group*

Hymns 296, 373, 557, 308, 804, 683

11.30am Sung Eucharist *Sung by a visiting choir*

Introit

Setting

Communion

Hymns 296, 602, 312, 308

3.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by a visiting choir*

Introit

Responses

Canticles

Psalm 148

Anthem

Hymns REH 254, 490

6.30pm Informal Service

TUESDAY 5 NOVEMBER

5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Lay Clerks and Choral Scholars*

Introit Justorum animae *Matthew Martin*

Responses *Tallis*

Canticles *Sumsion* in G

Psalm 98

Anthem Russian Kontakion *Anon*

THURSDAY 7 NOVEMBER

5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Chamber Choir*

Introit Hide not thou thy face *Farrant*

Responses *Ayleward*

Canticles Magnificat *Plainsong*

Psalm 118

Nunc dimittis *Wood* in B flat

Anthem Versa est in luctum *Victoria*

Brahms' A German Requiem *by candlelight*

Music for Remembrance, Peace and Reconciliation

Saturday 9 November 7.00pm

The critically acclaimed Abbey Choirs present Brahms' A German Requiem on this Remembrance weekend. It is one of the most beautiful and poignant choral works ever written. Many believe it was inspired by the death of the composer's mother in 1865 as the fifth movement has a beautiful and serene soprano solo '*And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again*' followed by the chorus singing words from *As one whom his mother comforts, so will I comfort you*.

Brahms chose the text from the Lutheran Bible and it is the first Requiem in the vernacular and not adopting the Catholic liturgy, leading many to nickname it the first protestant Requiem. The work was first performed in 1868 on Good Friday in Bremen Cathedral, Germany. The most famous movement setting psalm 84 'How lovely is thy dwelling place' is the central movement and has captivated audiences and singers alike since its first performance. This performance will feature the piano duet accompaniment making the music more affecting and intimate. The piano is played by Dewi Rees and Katrine Reimers with poignant readings chosen by Jeremy Key-Pugh.

*Tickets £25, £20, £15 from Bath Box Office bathboxoffice.org
16 and under half price*

SUNDAY 10 NOVEMBER

Remembrance Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Parish Communion for Remembrance Day *Sung by the Abbey
Girls and Lay Clerks*

Introit	Requiem aeterna <i>Durufié</i>
Setting	Requiem <i>Durufié</i>
Communion	Lux aeterna <i>Durufié</i>
Hymns	746, 579, 683

2.00pm Civic Service of Remembrance *Sung by the Abbey Boys & Lay Clerks*

Anthems/Motets Selig sind die da Leid tragen *Brahms*
Turn back, O man *Holst*
Set me as a seal *Walton*

Psalm 121

Hymns 746, 623, 579

6.30pm Informal Service

TUESDAY 12 NOVEMBER

5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Boys and Lay Clerks*

Introit God be in my head *John Rutter* Responses *Rose*

Canticles *Stanford* in B flat Psalm 74

Anthem Greater love *Ireland*

THURSDAY 14 NOVEMBER

5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Girls*

Introit Litanei Alle Seelen *Schubert* Responses *Malcolm Archer*

Canticles Fauxbourdon Service *Philip Moore* Psalm 42, 43

Anthem For the fallen *Mark Blatchly*

SUNDAY 17 NOVEMBER

2nd Sunday before Advent

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Church Family Communion *Led by the Melody Makers*

Anthems

Hymns 362, 592, 588, 146, 153, 39

11.30am Sung Eucharist *Sung by the Abbey Boys and Lay Clerks*

Introit O Lord, increase my faith *Loosemore*

Setting Missa Brevis in B flat K 275 *Mozart*

Communion O salutaris hostia *Rossini*

Hymns 2, 569, 641, 795

3.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Girls and Lay Clerks*
 Introit Svete tihy sviattiya slavi (O Gladsome light) *Rachmaninov*
 Responses *Radcliffe*
 Canticles The Second Service *Leighton* Psalm 95
 Anthem Hymn to the Creator of light *John Rutter* Hymns REH 622, 549

6.30pm Informal Service

TUESDAY 19 NOVEMBER

5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Boys*

Introit Before the ending of the day *Plainsong* Responses *Plainsong*
 Canticles *Dyson* in C minor Psalm 67
 Anthem The Call *Vaughan Williams*

Bach 275

Tuesday 19 November 7.00pm

To mark the 275th anniversary of J S. Bach's death in 1750 Huw Williams will be playing the complete organ works of J S Bach at the Abbey. This opening recital features the works for Advent.

There will be pre-concert drinks available from 6.30pm.

Admission free with donations to the Bath Abbey Music Society Music 175 fund.

THURSDAY 21 NOVEMBER

5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Girls and Lay Clerks*

Introit Svete tihy sviattiya slavi (O Gladsome light) *Rachmaninov*
 Responses *Radcliffe*
 Canticles *Walmisley* in D minor Psalm 94
 Anthem And I saw a new heaven *Bainton*

SUNDAY 24 NOVEMBER

Christ the King Stewardship Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Church Family Communion *Led by the Abbey Girls*

Anthems King of glory *Harris*

Hymns SOF 289, 193, 728, 736, SOF 1498, 754 (omit v3)

11.30am Sung Eucharist *Sung by the Abbey Girls and Lay Clerks*

Introit Let all mortal flesh *Bairstow*

Setting Mass in D *Dvorak*

Communion Christus vincit *James MacMillan*

Hymns 227, 769, 612, 453

3.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Boys and Lay Clerks*

Introit Blessed are the pure in heart *Walford Davies* Responses *Rose*

Canticles *Dyson* in D Psalm 72

Anthem Let all the world *Vaughan Williams* Hymns REH 200, 483

6.30pm Informal Service

TUESDAY 26 NOVEMBER

5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Boys and Lay Clerks*

Introit Peace be to you *Paul Manz* Responses *Rose*

Canticles *Dyson* in F Psalm 99

Anthem Hymn of St Columba *Britten*

THURSDAY 28 NOVEMBER

5.30pm Choral Evensong *Sung by the Abbey Girls and Lay Clerks*

Introit God be in my head *Walford Davies* Responses *Radcliffe*

Canticles The Fifth Service *Tomkins* Psalm 132

Anthem And the glory of the Lord *Handel*

A Christmas Celebration Saturday 14 December 7.00pm

Capture the joy and the excitement of the Nativity in words and music in the glorious setting of Bath Abbey. Join all the Abbey choirs – Boys, Girls and Lay Clerks, and including the young Melody Makers in their Christmas celebrations. Music, readings and audience carols..there will be something for everyone!

Interval Bar

*Tickets from Bath Box Office bathboxoffice.org
Tickets on sale from 16th September: £25, £20, £15
16 and under half price*

Bach Christmas Oratorio Saturday 21 December 7.00pm

In this festive season enjoy the glory of Bach's celebratory music in the inspiring setting of Bath Abbey. The critically acclaimed Bath Abbey Girls and Lay Clerks are joined by the outstanding baroque instrumentalists of *Rejouissance*.

Originally written for Christmas in 1734, from the festive opening 'Jauchzet frolocket' the music captures the joy and excitement of the Nativity in words and music. The music is uplifting and dance-like with experienced soloists drawn from within the choir as we begin the celebrations of the 275th anniversary of J S Bach's death.

Interval Bar

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16 and under half price*

Bach 275 – the complete organ works of J S Bach at Bath.

As we celebrate the 275th anniversary of possibly the greatest composer of all time, Johann Sebastian Bach, Huw Williams plays the complete works of Bach on the magnificent Klais organ.

This will be a once in a lifetime opportunity to hear these famous works presented by one player in one city. This inspiring and wonderful music, in a wide variety of styles from the sunny optimism of the Italian influenced Trio Sonatas and concerti, to the more majestic mature preludes and fugues, will be presented across 16 concerts between November 2024 and September 2025.

As a church musician throughout his career, Bach's works were based around the liturgy and this series will mostly, where possible, present the music at the most appropriate liturgical season across the year.

Recitals will be in Bath Abbey on:

- # 1 Tuesday November 19th 7.00-8.15pm (drinks from 6.30pm) *Advent music*
- # 2 Saturday 28th December 5.00- 6.15pm *Christmas music*
- # 3 Saturday 18th January 6.30-7.45 *Featuring Epiphany and New Year music*
- # 4 Friday February 7th 6.30-7.45 *including music for Candlemas*

Lenten Series – The Way of the Cross

- # 5 Tuesday 4th March 1.00-1.45
- # 6 Tuesday 11th March 1.00-1.45
- # 7 Tuesday 18th March 1.00-1.45
- # 8 Tuesday 25th March 1.00-1.45
- # 9 Tuesday 1st April 1.00-1.45
- # 10 Tuesday 20th May 1.00-1.45 *with music for Eastertide and Ascension*
- # 11 Tuesday 10th June 1.00-1.45 *with music for Pentecost*
- # 12 Tuesday 24th June 1.00-1.45
- # 13 Saturday 28th June 6.30-7.45
- # 14 Tuesday 8th July 1.00-1.45
- # 15 Saturday 30th August 7.00-8.15
- # 16 Friday 19th September 7.00-8.15

To celebrate the final concert in this series join us for drinks at 6.30pm

Programme details will be available on the Abbey's website shortly

Free admission – collection or donation to Music 175 fund