About the University Church

Since 1209, Great St Mary's has been the University Church at the heart of Cambridge, providing pastoral care and spiritual formation for everyone at the University of Cambridge. We are an open and inclusive community, and we encourage all who come to explore the Christian faith — and to discover what difference faith makes. We are open every day to welcome visitors from Cambridge and around the world looking to discover this historic house of prayer.

There are worship services open to everyone Sunday through Friday both in Great St Mary's (across from the Senate House) and in Michaelhouse, our chapel, café, and art & performance space on Trinity Street. Contact information for our clergy team is on the back of this Term Card, and the most up-to-date information about services and special events can be found at gsm.cam.ac.uk, and on social media @GreatStMarys.

Sunday Services

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<td>BCP Communion</td>
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<td>Holy Communion</td>
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<td>A welcoming service of Holy Communion, with choir, hymns, &amp; Children's Church, followed by coffee at Michaelhouse</td>
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<td>Choral Mattins</td>
<td>11.15am</td>
<td>A beautiful &amp; traditional choral service of Morning Prayer</td>
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<td>Choral Evensong</td>
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<td>A candlelit service sung by one of the University Church choirs</td>
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<td>A service of scripture and prayer, in Great St Mary's</td>
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<td>In Michaelhouse, informal worship, prayer &amp; coffee</td>
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<td>The Ark</td>
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<td>In Michaelhouse, Holy Communion for families</td>
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<td>Well of Stillness</td>
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<td>In Michaelhouse, meditative prayer and Scripture</td>
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<td>Holy Communion</td>
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<td>In Michaelhouse, Holy Communion and Bible Study</td>
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<td>Trinity Forum</td>
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<td>7.45am</td>
<td>In Michaelhouse, last Friday of the month during Term</td>
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University Sermons

The practice of Sermons in the University Church of Great St Mary's dates back to at least 1300 and is recognised in the earliest University Statutes. Each year prominent women and men from many different traditions deliver Sermons on a wide range of topics of particular interest to students. The services are very simple, last about an hour, and are open to everyone.

Members of the University are reminded that they should wear academical dress if attending. All are welcome and those present are invited to take refreshments with the Preacher at Michaelhouse after the Sermon.

14 October 11.15am The Revd Dr Andrew Davison, Fellow of Corpus Christi College, Starbridge Lecturer in Theology and Natural Sciences.

4 November 11.15am The Revd Professor Judith Brown, formerly Fellow of Girton College, Beit Professor of the History of the British Commonwealth Emerita, University of Oxford (Lady Margaret’s Preacher at Commemoration)
**Volunteer & Ministry Opportunities**

**Cambridge Churches Homelessness Project**
Please contact a member of the clergy team to find out how to train and volunteer for this wintertime shelter for homeless residents of Cambridge.

**Ministries at the University Church**
If you would like to read the lessons at church, serve at the altar, sing in the choir, become a guide or a greeter, please do be in touch. There is a place for your gifts and talents at the University Church!

**Bell Ringing**
Society of Cambridge Youths (scy.org.uk), and the Cambridge University Guild of Change Ringers (cugcr.org.uk)

**Confirmation Classes & Bible Study**
Please contact a member of the clergy team to find out about upcoming confirmation classes and to learn about our Bible study evenings and retreats.

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**SPECIAL SERVICES & CONCERTS IN MICHAELMAS**

22 September **Academy of Great St Mary’s** (7.30pm) Symphonic music in the heart of Cambridge

23 September **Blessing of the Animals** (11.15am) Celebrating Creation and welcoming all creatures great and small into the University Church, as well as photos of pets and even teddy bears

29 September **Ordination of Andrew Day to the Diaconate** (6pm)

30 September **Harvest Sunday** (9.30am) With the Mayor and City Council of Cambridge

7 October **High Sheriff’s Justice Service for Her Majesty’s Judiciary** (11.15am) This is a Scarlet Day, and members of the University are encouraged to wear academical dress.

14 October **Blessing of the Bikes** (5.15pm) Prayers for all cyclists, followed by Choral Evensong

20 October **Dept. of Anatomy Memorial Service** (2pm)

4 November **All Saints’** (9.30am) and **All Souls’** (5.30pm in Michaelhouse)

11 November **Remembrance Sunday** (11am) Address by General The Lord Dannatt GCB CBE MC, former Chief of the General Staff. Please arrive early. 9.30am Communion will be at Michaelhouse.

18 November **Road Victims Remembrance Service** (11.15am)

25 November **Blessing of the Artist** (2pm, Michaelhouse)

2 December **Advent Carol Service** (5.30pm) Music for Advent, the holy season of anticipation

8 December **Blue Christmas** (4pm, Michaelhouse). For those who find the holiday season not so merry

9 December **Academy of Great St Mary’s** (7.30pm) Orchestral & choral music

11 December **University Staff Christmas Carols** (3.30pm)

15 December **Christmas Carols** (3pm & 4pm, Michaelhouse)

23 December **Carols by Candlelight** (6.30pm) Please arrive early for this special service

24 December **Christmas Eve** 4pm Children’s Service; 11.30pm Choral Communion

25 December **Christmas Day** 8am BCP Communion; 9.30am Holy Communion; 11.15am Mattins


**Our Ministry Team**

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Visit our website to find out more about the whole ministry team – from vergers to children's ministers and more – who make the University Church such a very special place to worship, learn, and grow in faith. And stop by to visit: we’re open every day from 9am!

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**Music at the University Church**

Great St Mary's has a long and rich tradition of music, and is blessed to have two pipe organs, six choirs, and an orchestra. There are regular free lunchtime concerts and recitals throughout the year. Visit our website to find out about upcoming concerts and recitals. Enquiries about joining one of our choirs or giving a recital may be directed to Emma Dunn, Music Administrator, at music@gsm.cam.ac.uk.

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