CHRIST’S COLLEGE

Chapel Services

Lent Term 2024
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Choral Services
Our main service of the week is at 6pm on Sunday evening. This is a service of Choral Evensong with an address, and is followed by drinks in the ante-chapel. Choral Evensong is also sung by the choir on Thursdays at 6.45pm.

Contemplative Services
On most Tuesday nights in term we hold a contemplative service. This may be traditional Compline, a contemporary Soulscape, or a reflective service of Holy Communion. These services are followed by port and hot chocolate in A1.

Said Services
From Monday to Friday, morning prayer is said in the chapel at 8.30am. On Monday and Friday evening prayer is said at 5.45pm.

Special Services this Term

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| Tuesdays 23 Jan and 20 Feb | **Compline** (9.15pm)  
A peaceful candlelit service, sung by the choir. |
| Thursday 1 Feb   | **Choral Eucharist for Candlemas** (6.15pm)  
A festal service, followed by refreshments.  |
| Tuesday 6 Feb    | **Soulscape** (9.15pm)  
Space to reflect and be yourself. Meditative music, silence, and contemplative words, all by candlelight. |
| Wednesday 14 Feb | **Choral Eucharist for Ash Wednesday** (6.15pm)  
We begin our journey through Lent to Easter with traditional ‘ashing’ within a service of Holy Communion. |
| Tuesday 27 Feb   | **Early Evening Eucharist** (6.15pm)  
An opportunity to pause between afternoon and evening to recharge and be nourished. |
| Tuesday 5 March  | **Contemplative Communion** (9.15pm)  
A short candlelit service using a range of musical styles. |
| Thursday 14 March| **Alumni Choral Evensong** (6.45pm)  
We welcome back alumni for our final Evensong of term. |
Sunday Evensong Sermon Series

Polyglot Poets, Prophets and Peacemakers

From the confusion of language at the tower of Babel (מִגְדַּל בָּבֶל) to the restoration of multi-lingual comprehension at Pentecost (Πεντηκοστή), the Bible teems with stories about the creativity and chaos caused by the diversity of human language. We celebrate that diversity this term by including over twenty different mother tongues in our readings and music, and hearing addresses from those who’ve reflected on the role of language in politics and education, spirituality, poetry and drama.

21 January
Epiphany 3
The Chaplain

28 January
Septuagesima
The Revd Maria Fihl
Præst i Folkekirken for Internations, Eliaskirken
Vesterbro, København Danmark

4 February
Sexagesima
Fr Paul Fletcher SJ
National Chaplain, Catholic Deaf Association
This service will be interpreted by Dr Ros Hunt

11 February
Quinquagesima
Qinglan Du
Songwriter, Performer and Law Student
Christ’s College

18 February
Lent 1
The Revd Canon Professor Jack McDonald
Chaplain-Président
Comité Central du Culte Anglican en Belgique

25 February
Lent 2
Dr Farbod Akhlaghi
Junior Research Fellow in Philosophy, Christ’s College
Reciter of جلال الدين محمد رومي (poet Jalāl al-Dīn Muḥammad Rūmī)

3 March
Lent 3
Dr Mary Franklin-Brown
Fellow in Modern Languages, Christ’s College
University Assoc. Professor of Medieval French and Occitan

10 March
Lent 4
Service of Music and Readings for Lent and Passiontide
Lectio in Lent

study • reflect • discern

As we move into Lent this term there will be the opportunity to come together and look more closely at some Biblical texts. We’ll consider background and context, discuss content and also use them in prayer via the method of Lectio Divina. The sessions will run on Wednesdays in Lent from 8-9pm beginning on 21 Feb. Held in A1, with refreshments provided.

Chapel Contacts

The Chaplain is The Reverend Dr Helen Orchard. Helen is readily available to speak in confidence with any member of the college (irrespective of religious belief) concerning any matter. She can be contacted in her rooms (Second Court, A1) or by email (hco23).

All members of the college community – students, fellows or staff – are welcome to read the lesson or assist with clerking at a service. Please contact the Chaplain for more details.

Chapel Music is organised by the Director of Music, Prof David Rowland (der26). If you would like to sing in the choir, please contact him, or the Choir Administrator, Tom Baarda (thb37).

Christian Groups
For information about the Roman Catholic Chaplaincy, contact Jeremy Lee (jhjl2). For information about the College Christian Union, contact Lois Turner (lt542). For details of the Student Christian Movement, see cambridgescm.wordpress.com

Faith Contacts
The Chaplain has contacts with representatives from a range of religions and denominations. If you would like to be put in touch with members of a particular faith, please get in touch with her.

The Sacraments

All who customarily receive the Eucharist (Holy Communion) are welcome to receive it in the College Chapel, regardless of denomination. Also available for college members and staff are preparation for Baptism and Confirmation, the Sacrament of Reconciliation (sometimes called Confession), and prayer with Anointing for Healing. Please contact the Chaplain for further details.