MERTON COLLEGE CHAPEL is open to all members of the College community as a place of worship and quiet reflection. The Chapel is part of the Church of England but the daily offering of worship is sustained by Christians from many different traditions. If you would like to read or serve in the Chapel, please contact one of the Chaplains or another member of the Chapel Team.

CHORAL FOUNDATION The College Choir sings on Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and our Choristers sing on Mondays and Wednesdays. The Choristers are drawn from a number of local schools across Oxford. This term’s music can be found on the Chapel and Choir pages of the College website.

WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS The main service of the week is normally at 5.45pm on Sunday. Alternating between Choral Evensong and a Choral Eucharist (Holy Communion), the College Choir sings at this candlelit service, which finishes in time for Formal Hall. The Sunday morning service begins at 9.00am and lasts about half an hour. This quieter, more reflective service alternates between the Eucharist and Morning Prayer, and is followed by breakfast. Our Chapel collections this term will be donated to Asylum Welcome, a charity offering information, advice and practical support to asylum seekers, refugees and vulnerable migrants living in Oxfordshire.

WEEKDAY SERVICES

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LIVESTREAMING A selection of our choral services and the Thursday lunchtime organ recital are livestreamed on the College Choir’s YouTube channel.

ALL SOULS’ At 5.30pm on Sunday 5 November (5th week) the College Choir will sing the Mozart Requiem as we commemorate the departed. Please email the Associate Chaplain with the names of anyone you would like to be remembered.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY In addition to the 9.00am and 5.45pm services on 12 November (6th week), there will be a short Act of Remembrance at 10.50am at the College War Memorial under the Fitzjames Arch. This will include the laying of wreaths and two minutes’ silence.

BAPTISM and CONFIRMATION If you would like to discuss the possibility of being baptized and / or confirmed in the Chapel, have a word with one of the Chaplains.
SERVICES AND PREACHERS
SUNDAYS AT 5.45PM

8 October
Trinity 18
Freshers’ Service
The Revd Lyndon Webb
Associate Chaplain

15 October
Trinity 19
Eucharist
The Revd Canon Dr Victoria Johnson
Acting Chaplain

22 October
Trinity 20
Evensong and Commemoration of Benefactors
Dr Alice Brooke
Fellow & Tutor in Spanish, Merton College

29 October
Last Sunday after Trinity
Evensong
Lydia Reese
Ordinand at Sarum College, Salisbury, & former project co-ordinator at A Rocha UK

5 November
4 before Advent (5.30pm)
Evensong
Mozart Requiem

12 November
Remembrance Sunday
Evensong
Dr Michael Hahn
Tutor at Sarum College, Salisbury

19 November
2 before Advent
Eucharist
The Revd Canon Dr Victoria Johnson
Acting Chaplain

26 November
Christ the King
Advent Carol Service
(5.30pm)

CAROL SERVICES This year’s candlelit Advent Carol Services will take place at 5.30pm on Saturday 25 November and Sunday 26 November. There will also be a traditional Christmas Carol Service at 8.30pm on Thursday 30 November.

COFFEE, CAKE & CONVERSATION
A chance to start the week with relaxed conversation and put things in perspective over coffee and cake. Hosted by the Acting Chaplain in the Hawkins Room on Mondays at 11am.

LYNDON’S BOOK GROUP If you can’t get enough of books and baked goods, join us from 3pm to 4pm on Fridays in the Hawkins Room for free-wheeling discussion and plenty of refreshments. This term’s book is ‘Wolf Hall’ by Hilary Mantel, a stunning exploration of the life of Thomas Cromwell and the court of Henry VIII, combining close historicity with exquisite poetry. Free copies are available for anyone interested; contact Lyndon for more information. All welcome!
CHRISTIAN UNION & CATHSOC This term’s CU rep is Charis Patterson. Carl Haller is this term’s RC rep. The termly RC Mass is at 6.00pm on Friday 17 November (6th week).

CHAPEL TEAM

Student Chapel Officers

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Livestreaming

- Sebastian Dows-Miller
- Hope Clarke

Technicians

- Joe Clarke
- Finn Emmens-Green
- Mattie Sutton

Reed Rubin Organist and Director of Music

- Benjamin Nicholas
- Organ
- Owen Chan
- Scholars
- François Cloete

Chapel Office & Choir Manager

- Lizzie Casey
- Verger
- Jen Crompton

Pastoral Assistant

- William Allen

THE CHAPLAINS

Whilst Simon Jones is away, this term’s Acting Chaplain is the Revd Canon Dr Victoria Johnson (Fellows’ 3.2, victoria.johnson@merton.ox.ac.uk), and she is happy to speak in confidence with any member of College (regardless of religious affiliation) concerning any matter. Victoria is on Extended Study Leave from York Minster where she is Canon Precentor. A scientist and musician, she is currently writing on the theology of voice and researching models of evangelism mediated through liturgy and prayer.

The Revd Lyndon Webb (Fellows’ 3.9, lyndon.webb@merton.ox.ac.uk) is the Associate Chaplain. Lyndon has particular responsibility for pastoral care within the Chapel community, for leading the discussion groups, and developing new initiatives.

To join the Chapel email list, send a message to

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