MERTON COLLEGE CHAPEL is open to all as a place of worship and quiet reflection. Members of the College, as well as visitors, are welcome to join us at all our services. The Chapel is part of the Church of England but the daily offering of worship is sustained by people 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 schools across Oxford. This term’s Services Booklet contains details of the music. It can be found on the Chapel and Choir pages of the College website.

WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS The main service of the week is at 5.45pm on Sundays. Alternating between Choral Evensong and Choral Eucharist (Holy Communion), the College Choir sings at this service, which is followed by drinks and 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 given to Christian Aid (www.christianaid.org.uk).

WEEKDAY SERVICES

- **8.15am**  Morning Prayer  (Monday - Friday)
- **12.30pm**  Eucharist  (Tuesday)
- **6.00pm**  Choral Vespers  (Monday)
- **6.15pm**  Choral Evensong  (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday)

ASCENSION DAY

- **Wednesday 8 May** 6.15pm  Choral Evensong
- **Thursday 9 May** 12 noon  Singing from the Tower
- **(3rd week)** 6.00pm  Choral Eucharist  *attended by members of the congregation of the University Church*

CORPUS CHRISTI (Day of Thanksgiving for the Institution of the Eucharist)

- **Wednesday 29 May** 6.15pm  Choral Evensong & Benediction
- **Thursday 30 May** 6.00pm  Choral Eucharist  *(6th week)*
SERVICES AND PREACHERS - SUNDAYS AT 5.45PM

21 April
Easter 4
Choral Eucharist
The Revd Canon Dr Simon Jones
Chaplain

28 April
Easter 5
Choral Evensong
The Very Revd Michael Tavinor
Dean Emeritus of Hereford

5 May
Easter 6
Choral Eucharist
The Revd Dr
Melanie Harrington-Haynes
Vicar, St Philip & All Saints and St Luke’s, Kew

12 May
Easter 7
Choral Evensong
The Revd Canon Prof Mark Chapman
Vice-Principal & Academic Dean,
Ripon College, Cuddesdon

19 May
Pentecost
Choral Eucharist
The Rt Revd Dr Steven Croft
Bishop of Oxford

26 May
Trinity Sunday
Choral Evensong
The Revd Canon Leanne Roberts
Dean of Clergy Well-being,
Diocese of Southwark

2 June
Trinity 1
Choral Eucharist
The Revd Lyndon Webb
Associate Chaplain

9 June
Trinity 2
Leavers’ Service
The Revd Canon Dr Simon Jones
Chaplain

FAITH DISCUSSION GROUP
Do you have questions about faith and what happens in Chapel? Are you interested in baptism and/or confirmation? If so, you are welcome to join the informal discussion group, meeting at 10am every Friday in Holywell Street. For more information, or to sign up, email lyndon.webb@merton.ox.ac.uk.

CHRISTIAN UNION & CATHSOC This term’s CU rep is Annabel Philp. Carl Haller is the RC rep. The termly RC Mass is at 6.00pm on Friday 24 May (5th week).

To join the Chapel email list, send a message to jennifer.crompton@merton.ox.ac.uk
LYNDON’S BOOK GROUP  This term we will be reading Victory City, the most recent work by Salman Rushdie. This novel traces the rise of a fictional empire at the hands of a goddess seeking to create a society where women are empowered and patriarchy turned on its head, but whose creation soon grows beyond her control. The group will meet in weeks 1-7 at 3pm on Fridays in the Hawkins Room, and of course there will be cake! For more information, or to order your free copy of the novel, email lyndon.webb@merton.ox.ac.uk. All welcome!

CHAPEL TEAM

Student Chapel Officers

George Adams  Alexandre Guilloteau  Gregory Middleton
Tom Allen  Georgia Hall  Camilo Mosquera
Antonia Anstatt  Carl Haller  Jana Nedelkoska
Benjamin Atkinson  Wilfred Lamont  Oscar Patton
Alex Brown  Asha Levy  Lucia Ross
Eleanor Clark  Jared Martin  Lukas Ruediger
Sacha Fairweather  Harmony Matheson  Cara Treacy
Marcus Gamble  Kelly McClinton  Dylan Turner
Ellie Garrigan Mattar  Ella McLoughlin  Zoe Wilkinson

Reed Rubin Organist  Benjamin Nicholas  Verger  Jen Crompton
and Director of Music

Chapel Office &  Lizzie Casey  Livestreaming  Sebastian Dows-Miller
Choir Manager

Organ Scholars  Owen Chan
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THE CHAPLAINS

The College Chaplain, the Revd Canon Dr Simon Jones (Fellows’ 3.2, simon.jones@merton.ox.ac.uk), is happy to speak in confidence with any member of College (regardless of religious affiliation) concerning any matter. As well as being responsible for the Chapel, Simon also co-ordinates the welfare provision in College and chairs the Student Support Committee.

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.

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