



THE CATHEDRAL AND METROPOLITICAL CHURCH OF CHRIST, CANTERBURY

Choral Evensong

with Admission of Choir Members



Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

10th September 2022

5.30pm

Quire

Welcome to Canterbury Cathedral for this Service

Canterbury Cathedral is the seat of the Archbishop of Canterbury, the cathedral church of the Diocese of Canterbury, the mother church of the Anglican Communion, and a place of pilgrimage welcoming visitors from across the world.

For over fourteen hundred years God has been worshipped here. With its roots in the Benedictine tradition, the ongoing daily pattern of morning and evening prayer and Eucharist (or Holy Communion) continues the prayers and praises of countless generations in this Cathedral. We welcome you today to share in this continuing rhythm of worship in this service of Choral Evensong.



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ORDER OF SERVICE

All stand as the choir and clergy enter the Quire

*The Cantor and choir sing the **Preces***

O Lord, open thou our lips
and our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us.
O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
*as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.*

Praise ye the Lord.
The Lord's name be praised.

Music: Sarah MacDonald (b. 1968)

Sit as the choir sings

Psalm 108

O God, my heart is ready, my heart is ready :
I will sing and give praise with the best member that I have.

Awake, thou lute, and harp :
I myself will awake right early.

I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the people :
I will sing praises unto thee among the nations.

For thy mercy is greater than the heavens :
and thy truth reacheth unto the clouds.

Set up thyself, O God, above the heavens :
and thy glory above all the earth.

That thy beloved may be delivered :
let thy right hand save them, and hear thou me.

God hath spoken in his holiness :
I will rejoice therefore, and divide Sichem, and mete out the valley of Succoth.

Gilead is mine, and Manasses is mine :
Ephraim also is the strength of my head. Judah is my law-giver.

Moab is my wash-pot; over Edom will I cast out my shoe :
upon Philistia will I triumph.

Who will lead me into the strong city :
and who will bring me into Edom?

Hast not thou forsaken us, O God :
and wilt not thou, O God, go forth with our hosts?

O help us against the enemy :
for vain is the help of man.

Through God we shall do great acts :
and it is he that shall tread down our enemies.

Stand

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :
world without end. Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading *Ezekiel 12.21-13.16*

Admission of Choir Members

The Vice Dean and those to be admitted leave their stalls as the members of the Foundation stand

The Director of Music says

Madam Vice Dean, I present to you

Anaïs Andrews, Amelia Catto, and Thalia Larkins

to be admitted as Choristers of this Cathedral and Metropolitan Church, and

Lauren McQuire and Adelaide Thorpe

to be made Senior Choristers of this Cathedral and Metropolitan Church

The Vice Dean says to the new Choristers

I admit you as Choristers of this Cathedral and Metropolitan Church.

The new Choristers then kneel at the west end of the stalls and the Vice Dean says the following prayer

May the Lord enable you to use to his glory the gifts that he has given you and may he watch over your going out and your coming in from this time forth and for evermore. Amen.

The Director of Music calls the names of the Senior Choristers and hands the badge of office to the Vice Dean, who places it over the candidate's head, saying

I admit you as a Senior Chorister of this Cathedral and Metropolitan Church.

She says to them all

May God bless you in all your work and worship done in his name, now and for evermore. Amen.

The Senior Choristers return to their places

The Vice Dean invites members of the Foundation say the Foundation Prayer

Eternal God, you have brought us together into a noble company. We pray for one another and for the holy Church of Canterbury; that in this house of our most blessed Saviour, dignity of worship, preaching the faith and holiness of life may for ever abound and thence be spread through all the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Director of Music bows to the Vice Dean

Stand as the choir sings

Magnificat

My soul doth magnify the Lord :
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded :
the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold, from henceforth :
all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me :
and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him :
throughout all generations.
He hath shewed strength with his arm :
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat :
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things :
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel :
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :
world without end. Amen.

Music: Herbert Howells (1892-1983), Westminster Service

Sit

New Testament Reading

Acts 13.1-12

Stand as the choir sings

Nunc Dimittis

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace :
according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen : thy salvation;
Which thou hast prepared : before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles :
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :
world without end. Amen.

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Turn East and say together the

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth:
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

The Cantor and choir sing the **Versicles and Responses**

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

Sit or kneel

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil. Amen.*

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the King.
And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy ministers with righteousness.
And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people.
And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord.
*Because there is none other that fighteth for us,
but only thou, O God.*

O God, make clean our hearts within us.
And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

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The Collects

Almighty and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both, our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that, by thee, we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Sit as the choir sings

Anthem How lovely are thy dwellings

How lovely are Thy dwellings fair, O Lord of Hosts.
My soul ever longeth and fainteth sore for the blest courts of the Lord:
My heart and flesh do cry to the living God.
O blest are they that in Thy house are dwelling:
They ever praise Thee, O Lord, for evermore.

Words: Psalm 84

Music: Johannes Brahms (1833-97)

Sit

Homily Nicky Orr, regular member of the Cathedral congregation

Sit or Kneel

Prayers *concluding with*

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with us all evermore. Amen.** *Stand to sing*

Hymn *during which a collection is received*



All praise to Christ, our Lord and king divine,
yielding your glory in your love's design,
that in our darkened hearts your grace might shine:
Alleluia!

²You came to us in lowliness of thought;
by you the outcast and the poor were sought;
and by your death was our redemption bought:
Alleluia!

³The mind of Christ is as our minds should be:
he was a servant that we might be free,
humbling himself to death on Calvary:
Alleluia!

⁴And so we see in God's great purpose, how
Christ has been raised above all creatures now;
and at his name shall every nation bow:
Alleluia!

⁵Let every tongue confess with one accord,
in heaven and earth that Jesus Christ is Lord,
and God the Father be by all adored:
Alleluia!

Words: Francis Bland Tucker (1895-1984)

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Remain standing for

The Blessing

All remain standing as the choir and clergy depart

Organ Voluntary