

CHORAL EVENSONG

ATTENDED BY

THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY THE MOST REVEREND JUSTIN WELBY

Sunday 6th March 2022 at 3.00pm

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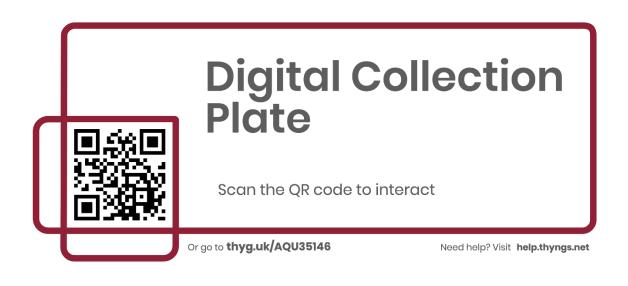
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Before the service, the organist plays

PRAELUDIUM IN G MINOR BuxWV163 PRAELUDIUM IN C MAJOR BuxWV137 PRAELUDIUM IN D MAJOR BuxWV139 Dieterich Buxtehude (c. 1637-1707)

ALLEGRO MAESTOSO from ORGAN SONATA NO. 5 Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

BEFORE THE SERVICE

At 2.50pm, the following are escorted to their seats:

THE MAYOR AND MAYORESS OF CHICHESTER Cllr John Hughes and Cllr Cherry Hughes

THE CHAIRMAN OF CHICHESTER DISTRICT COUNCIL Cllr Elizabeth Hamilton, and Mr Robin Hamilton

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN OF WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL Cllr Sujan Wickremaratchi, and Mrs Zadeeka Wickremaratchi

At 2.55pm, the following are escorted to their seats:

THE HIGH SHERIFF OF EAST SUSSEX Mr Miles Jenner DL, and Mrs Sally Jenner

THE HIGH SHERIFF OF WEST SUSSEX Mr Neil Hart DL, and Mrs Ros Hart

Immediately before the service, please stand as the organ sounds and the Dean escorts to their seats:

THE VICE LORD-LIEUTENANT OF EAST SUSSEX Mrs Sara Stonor DL

HM LORD-LIEUTENANT OF WEST SUSSEX Mrs Susan Pyper, and Mr Jonathan Pyper

ORDER OF SERVICE

Please remain standing. From the west end of the Cathedral the choir sings the Introit:

O HOW AMIABLE ARE THY DWELLINGS

O how amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts!My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.O Lord God of hosts: blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee. Amen.

Psalm 84: 1-2, 13

Thomas Weelkes (1576-1623)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN



All my hope on God is founded; he doth still my trust renew.Me through change and chance he guideth, only good and only true. God unknown, he alone calls my heart to be his own. Pride of man and earthly glory, sword and crown betray his trust; what with care and toil he buildeth, tower and temple, fall to dust; but God's power, hour by hour, is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness aye endureth, deep his wisdom, passing thought: splendour, light and life attend him, beauty springeth out of naught. Evermore from his store new-born worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth th'Almighty giver bounteous gifts on us bestow; his desire our soul delighteth, pleasure leads us where we go. Love doth stand at his hand; joy doth wait on his command.

Still from man to God eternal sacrifice of praise be done, high above all praises praising for the gift of Christ his Son. Christ doth call one and all: ye who follow shall not fall.

NEH 333 Robert Bridges (1844-1930) based on Joachim Neander (1650-1680) Michael Herbert Howells (1892-1983) Please remain standing. 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.

Thomas Morley (1557-1602)

Please sit. The choir sings

PSALM 119: 73-88

- Thy hands have made me and fashioned me: O give me understanding, that I may learn thy commandments.
- They that fear thee will be glad when they see me: because I have put my trust in thy word.
- I know, O Lord, that thy judgements are right: and that thou of very faithfulness hast caused me to be troubled.
- O let thy merciful kindness be my comfort: according to thy word unto thy servant.
- O let thy loving mercies come unto me, that I may live: for thy law is my delight.
- Let the proud be confounded, for they go wickedly about to destroy me: but I will be occupied in thy commandments.

- Let such as fear thee, and have known thy testimonies: be turned unto me.
- O let my heart be sound in thy statutes: that I be not ashamed.
- My soul hath longed for thy salvation: and I have a good hope because of thy word.
- Mine eyes long sore for thy word: saying, O when wilt thou comfort me?
- For I am become like a bottle in the smoke: yet do I not forget thy statutes.
- How many are the days of thy servant: when wilt thou be avenged of them that persecute me?
- The proud have digged pits for me: which are not after thy law.
- All thy commandments are true: they persecute me falsely; O be thou my help.
- They had almost made an end of me upon earth: but I forsook not thy commandments.
- O quicken me after thy loving-kindness: and so shall I keep the testimonies of thy mouth.

Please 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.

Please sit.

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, 'Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.' So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, 'Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!' And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

When the news reached the king of Nineveh, he rose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. Then he had a proclamation made in Nineveh: 'By the decree of the king and his nobles: No human being or animal, no herd or flock, shall taste anything. They shall not feed, nor shall they drink water. Human beings and animals shall be covered with sackcloth, and they shall cry mightily to God. All shall turn from their evil ways and from the violence that is in their hands. Who knows? God may relent and change his mind; he may turn from his fierce anger, so that we do not perish.'

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

Jonah 3

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.

Luke 1: 46-55

Bryan Kelly (b. 1934) in C

Please sit.

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Jesus also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: 'Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax-collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, "God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax-collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income." But the taxcollector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.'

Luke 18: 9-14

Please stand. 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.

Luke 2: 29-32

Bryan Kelly (b. 1934) in C

Please remain standing to 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 RESPONSES

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

Please 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 Queen. 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.

THE COLLECTS

O Lord,

who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights: give us grace to use such abstinence, that, our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey thy godly motions in righteousness and true holiness, to thy honour and glory, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Choir:* Amen.

Almighty and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Choir:* 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. *Choir:* 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. *Choir:* Amen.

Please sit. The choir sings

A NEW SONG

- O sing unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.
- Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name: be telling of his salvation from day to day.
- For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: and with righteousness to judge the world, and the people with his truth.

Psalm 96: 1-2, 13

James MacMillan (b. 1959)

SERMON

The Most Reverend Justin Welby Archbishop of Canterbury HYMN



Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet thy tribute bring.Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who like me his praise should sing? Praise him! Praise him! praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour to our fathers in distress; praise him still the same for ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless. Praise him! Praise him! glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows; in his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes. Praise him! Praise him! widely as his mercy flows. Angels, help us to adore him; ye behold him face to face; sun and moon, bow down before him; dwellers all in time and space. Praise him! Praise him! praise with us the God of grace.

NEH 436 H. F. Lyte (1793-1847) Praise, my soul John Goss (1800-1880)

THE BLESSING

The Archbishop says

The love of the Lord Jesus draw you to himself; the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen you in his service; the joy of the Lord Jesus fill your hearts; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

To conclude the service, the organist plays

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT Op. 65, No. 59 Sigrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

Please remain standing as the procession departs.

All are welcome to join us for refreshments after the service served from the north aisle of the nave.

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