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CATHEDRAL



CHORAL EVENSONG

WITH THE INSTALLATION OF

THE VENERABLE RUSSELL DEWHURST
AS ARCHDEACON OF HASTINGS

SATURDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 2025
5.30PM

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THE VENERABLE RUSSELL DEWHURST



Russell Dewhurst studied physics in Oxford and, following work as an IT consultant, trained for ordination at Westcott House, Cambridge.

After a rural curacy on the Oxfordshire / Berkshire border he ministered in the city of Oxford and in Ewell, Surrey. He has lived in Chichester diocese for the past four years while working on a doctorate in Anglican canon law and assisting in local parishes.

During the past year he has worked as an Acting Archdeacon in the diocese. He is very much looking forward to his new ministry in the Archdeaconry of Hastings, and to getting to know the people, parishes, and places of East Sussex.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Please stand as the procession enters.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN



Hills of the North, rejoice,
echoing songs arise,
hail with united voice
him who made earth and skies:
he comes in righteousness and love,
he brings salvation from above.

Isles of the Southern seas,
sing to the listening earth,
carry on every breeze
hope of a world's new birth:
in Christ shall all be made anew,
his word is sure, his promise true.

Lands of the East, arise,
he is your brightest morn,
greet him with joyous eyes,
praise shall his path adorn:
the God whom you have longed to know
in Christ draws near, and calls you now.

Shores of the utmost West,
lands of the setting sun,
welcome the heavenly guest
in whom the dawn has come:
he brings a never-ending light
who triumphed o'er our darkest night.

Shout, as you journey on,
songs be in every mouth,
lo, from the North they come,
from East and West and South:
in Jesus all shall find their rest,
in him the sons of earth be blest.

NEH 7
Based on Charles E. Oakley (1832-1865)

Little Cornard
Martin Shaw (1875-1958)

Please sit.

INSTALLATION OF THE ARCHDEACON OF HASTINGS

The Dean presents the Archdeacon, having already been collated to the role, to the Bishop, who reads the mandate for the Dean to install the new Archdeacon.

The Dean leads the new Archdeacon to the Quire as the choir sings

PSALM 133

Behold, how good and joyful a thing it is: brethren, to dwell together
in unity!

It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down unto
the beard: even unto Aaron's beard, and went down to the skirts
of his clothing.

Like as the dew of Hermon: which fell upon the hill of Sion.

For there the Lord promised his blessing: and life for evermore.

The Dean addresses the new Archdeacon:

Will you promise and swear due fealty to the Cathedral, obedience
to the Chapter according to the Constitution and Statutes, and will
you observe the ancient customs of this Cathedral?

Archdeacon: I will.

The Dean presents the new Archdeacon with a prayer book, a copy of the Constitution and Statutes of the Cathedral, which govern the Chapter and are symbolised by a rod or 'rule', together with a loaf of common bread symbolising the Prebend from which in the past the Prebendary obtained his daily bread, saying:

In the name and on behalf of the Chapter of this Cathedral Church, I receive and admit you, RUSSELL JAMES EDWARD DEWHURST, to be Canon of this Cathedral Church and invest you in this Office by this Book as to Spirituals, and this Bread as to Temporals. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

Being thus constituted, the new Archdeacon lays hands upon a book of the Gospels from the Cathedral Library, saying:

I promise and swear upon the Holy Gospels of God that I will observe inviolate the articles proposed: So help me God and these Holy Gospels.

The Dean leads the following responses:

 O Lord, save this thy servant;
All **who puts his trust in thee.**

 Send him help from thy holy place;
All **and evermore defend him.**

 Lord, hear our prayer;
All **and let our cry come unto thee.**

Almighty and everlasting God,
look graciously upon thy servant RUSSELL,
and according to thy mercy
lead him in the way of everlasting life;
that he, desiring those things which are acceptable in thy sight,
may daily proceed in all virtue and godliness of living;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Go before us, O Lord, in all our doings
with thy most gracious favour,
and further us with thy continual help;
that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee,
we may glorify thy holy name,
and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Please stand. *The Dean installs the new Archdeacon, saying*

By virtue of the mandate of the Lord Bishop, I, ROBERT EDWARD
MACKENZIE DOWLER, Dean of this Cathedral Church, assign you,
RUSSELL JAMES EDWARD DEWHURST, the Stall in this Quire due of old
and by custom belonging to the Office of the ARCHDEACON OF
HASTINGS.

The Lord preserve your going out and your coming in
from this time forth for evermore.

All **Amen.**

The new Archdeacon is greeted with applause.

Remain standing as the cantor and choir sing

THE PRECES AND RESPONSES

○ Lord, open thou our lips.
And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

○ God, make speed to save us.
○ 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.

The Book of Common Prayer

John Reading (c. 1645-1692)

Please sit.

The choir sings

PSALM 142

I cried unto the Lord with my voice: yea, even unto the Lord did I
make my supplication.

I poured out my complaints before him: and shewed him of my
trouble.

When my spirit was in heaviness thou knewest my path: in the way
wherein I walked have they privily laid a snare for me.

I looked also upon my right hand: and saw there was no man that
would know me.

I had no place to flee unto: and no man cared for my soul.

I cried unto thee, O Lord, and said: Thou art my hope, and my
portion in the land of the living.

Consider my complaint: for I am brought very low.

O deliver me from my persecutors: for they are too strong for me.

Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks unto thy Name:
which thing if thou wilt grant me, then shall the righteous resort
unto my company.

Please stand as the choir sings the Gloria:

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

Rouse yourself, rouse yourself! Stand up, O Jerusalem, you who have drunk at the hand of the Lord the cup of his wrath, who have drunk to the dregs the bowl of staggering. There is no one to guide her among all the children she has borne; there is no one to take her by the hand among all the children she has brought up. These two things have befallen you – who will grieve with you? – devastation and destruction, famine and sword – who will comfort you? Your children have fainted, they lie at the head of every street like an antelope in a net; they are full of the wrath of the Lord, the rebuke of your God.

Therefore hear this, you who are wounded, who are drunk, but not with wine: Thus says your Sovereign, the Lord, your God who pleads the cause of his people: See, I have taken from your hand the cup of staggering; you shall drink no more from the bowl of my wrath. And I will put it into the hand of your tormentors, who have said to you, 'Bow down, that we may walk on you'; and you have made your back like the ground and like the street for them to walk on.

Awake, awake, put on your strength, O Zion! Put on your beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city; for the uncircumcised and the unclean shall enter you no more. Shake yourself from the dust, rise up, O captive Jerusalem; loose the bonds from your neck, O captive daughter Zion!

Isaiah 51: 17–52: 2

Please stand. The choir sings the canticle

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

Bernard Rose (1916-1996) in C minor

Please sit.

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

But fornication and impurity of any kind, or greed, must not even be mentioned among you, as is proper among saints. Entirely out of place is obscene, silly, and vulgar talk; but instead, let there be thanksgiving. Be sure of this, that no fornicator or impure person, or one who is greedy (that is, an idolater), has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.

Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes on those who are disobedient. Therefore do not be associated with them. For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light – for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, ‘Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.’

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Ephesians 5: 1-20

Please stand. The choir sings the canticle

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

Bernard Rose (1916-1996) in C minor

Remain standing to say together

THE APOSTLES' CREED

All **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 PRECES AND RESPONSES

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Please sit or kneel.

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.

THE COLLECTS

Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,
may of thee be plenteously rewarded;
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

THE ANTHEM

We wait for thy loving-kindness, O God:
in the midst of thy temple. Alleluia.
O God, according to thy Name,
so is thy praise unto the world's end:
thy right hand is full of righteousness. Alleluia.
We wait for thy loving-kindness, O God:
in the midst of thy temple.
O Lord, send us now prosperity. Amen.

Psalms 48: 8-9, 118: 25

William McKie (1901-1984)

THE PRAYERS

Please sit or kneel. The Prayers conclude with the Grace:

All **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.**

Please stand.

HYMN



O gladsome light, O grace
of God the Father's face,
the eternal splendour wearing,
celestial, holy, blest,
our Saviour Jesus Christ,
joyful in thine appearing.

Now, ere day fadeth quite,
we see the evening light,
our wonted hymn outpouring;
Father of might unknown,
thee, his incarnate Son,
and Holy Sp'rit adoring.

To thee of right belongs
all praise of holy songs,
O Son of God, Lifegiver;
thee, therefore, O Most High,
the world doth glorify,
and shall exalt forever.

NEH 247
pre-4th century Greek,
tr. Robert Bridges (1844-1930)

Nunc Dimittis
Genevan Psalter (1549)

THE BLESSING

Christ our King make you faithful and strong to do his will,
that you may reign with him in glory;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

CLOSING MUSIC

GOTTES SOHN IST KOMMEN
BWV 600

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Please remain standing as the procession departs. All are invited to join us for refreshments after the service, which will be served in the South Transept.

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