



ELY CATHEDRAL

Festal Evensong

with Procession and
Commemoration of Founders
and Benefactors
and
Admission and Installation of
Canons and Members of Chapter

Monday 17 October 2022
5.30pm

*The Translation of Saint Etheldreda
Queen, Foundress and First Abbess of Ely*



Honorary Canons

The Venerable Richard John St Clair Harlow
Archdeacon of Huntingdon and Wisbech

The Revd Joan Anne Horan
Rector of Grimshoe and Rural Dean for the Fincham and Feltwell Deanery

The Revd Anne Fiona Maclaurin
Vicar St Barnabas, Cambridge

The Revd David James Maher
Vicar of The Good Shepherd, Chesterton

Lay Canons and Members of Chapter

Mr Francis Burkitt
Dr Mary Felicity Cooke

When the bell rings, please stand

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*The Procession moves via the South Choir Aisle to St Etheldreda's Chapel
where a station is made*



For all the Saints who from their labours rest,
Who thee by faith before the world confest.
Thy name O Jesus, be for ever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress, and their Might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well fought fight;
Thou in the darkness drear their one true Light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
And win, with them, the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

O blest communion! fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Precentor Thou hast been my hope, O Lord;
and a strong tower for me against the enemy.

COLLECT

Precentor Let us pray.

O God who sees that we fail through the weakness
of our mortal nature.
Mercifully renew us by thy love,
that we may give ourselves to thy service
after the example of Etheldreda;
through Jesus Christ, thy Son,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The Procession moves via the North Choir Aisle through the gates into the Choir
where the members of the Foundation take their seats.*

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;
Sweet is the calm of Paradise the blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
The Saints triumphant rise in bright array:
The King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Words: W. Walsham How 1823-97
Tune: *Sine Nomine* NEH 197 R Vaughan Williams 18472-1958

THE COLLATION AND INSTALLATION OF CANONS AND MEMBERS OF CHAPTER

The Bishop welcomes the congregation and introduces the service

He invites the Canons Designate to be verged forward

Bishop My brothers and sisters in Christ, we have come together to welcome new Honorary and Lay Canons and members of Chapter to the College of Canons of this Cathedral Church, in recognition of their work and ministry for Church and society.

The Bishop has always called canons to join him in working together for the building up of the Kingdom of God. The Apostle Paul tells us of the gifts of the Spirit, given to build the Church into a single body: there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activity, but in all of them and in everyone the same God is active. In each of us the Spirit is seen to be at work for the common good.

The new Canons are introduced and presented to the Bishop

Bishop Thank you for your presentations.

I invite the Registrar to confirm that the Canons Designate have taken the necessary oaths or declarations.

Registrar They have duly taken the oaths and made the declarations appropriate to their office. They have pledged their commitment to the work and ministry of this place.

The Bishop addresses the Canons Designate

Bishop You have taken the necessary Oaths and made the customary Declarations. It is now my duty to lay before you the responsibilities of your office. As a Canon you will defend at all times the honour and dignity of the Cathedral Church, and be an ambassador for the Cathedral in the Diocese and throughout the Church. It is your responsibility at regular meetings and at other times to give of your prayerful advice, your talents and honesty in supporting the Bishop, the Chapter and Cathedral Council in their specific responsibilities in this place. In the event of a Vacancy in See the College of Canons must elect a Bishop in the manner laid down by the Appointment of Bishops Act, 1533.
Are you willing to accept these responsibilities?

Canons I am.

The Bishop addresses Canons Burkitt and Cooke

Bishop The principal duties of the Cathedral Chapter are to direct and oversee the administration of all the affairs of the Cathedral; to order the worship and promote the mission of the Cathedral; to manage all property vested in the Cathedral; to prepare an annual report, budget, and audited accounts; to keep under review the constitution and statutes of the Cathedral; and to hold the Common Seal.
In partnership with your colleagues on the Chapter are you willing to accept these responsibilities?

Canons I am.

The Bishop delivers the Deeds of Collation

Bishop The God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Bishop Mr Dean, I present these new Canons and I ask you to place them in the seat in Choir assigned to them.

The Dean conducts the Canons to their stalls and they are installed

Dean I assign to you this Stall in our Cathedral Church; may the Lord preserve your going out and your coming in; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit rest upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

WELCOME

Precentor O praise the Lord of heaven: Praise him in the height.
Praise him, all ye angels of his: praise him, all his host. Psalm 148.1,2

PRECES

Precentor O Lord, open thou our lips.
Choir And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
Precentor O God, make speed to save us.
Choir O Lord, make haste to help us.
Precentor Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
Choir As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.
Precentor Praise ye the Lord.
Choir The Lord's Name be praised.

Music: Bernard Rose 1916-1996

PSALMS 45 & 84 *sung by the choir. Please sit*

PSALM 45

- 1 My heart is inditing of a good matter : I speak of the things which I have made unto the King.
- 2 My tongue is the pen : of a ready writer.
- 3 Thou art fairer than the children of men : full of grace are thy lips, because God hath blessed thee for ever.
- 4 Gird thee with thy sword upon thy thigh, O thou most Mighty : according to thy worship and renown.

- 5 Good luck have thou with thine honour : ride on, because of the word of truth, of meekness, and righteousness; and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things.
- 6 Thy arrows are very sharp, and the people shall be subdued unto thee : even in the midst among the King's enemies.
- 7 Thy seat, O God, endureth for ever : the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre.
- 8 Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity : wherefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.
- 9 All thy garments smell of myrrh, aloes, and cassia : out of the ivory palaces, whereby they have made thee glad.
- 10 Kings' daughters were among thy honourable women : upon thy right hand did stand the queen in a vesture of gold, wrought about with divers colours.
- 11 Hearken, O daughter, and consider, incline thine ear : forget also thine own people, and thy father's house.
- 12 So shall the King have pleasure in thy beauty : for he is thy Lord God, and worship thou him.
- 13 And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift : like as the rich also among the people shall make their supplication before thee.
- 14 The King's daughter is all glorious within : her clothing is of wrought gold.
- 15 She shall be brought unto the King in raiment of needle-work : the virgins that be her fellows shall bear her company, and shall be brought unto thee.
- 16 With joy and gladness shall they be brought : and shall enter into the King's palace.
- 17 Instead of thy fathers thou shalt have children : whom thou mayest make princes in all lands.
- 18 I will remember thy Name from one generation to another : therefore shall the people give thanks unto thee, world without end.

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.

PSALM 84

- 1 O how amiable are thy dwellings : thou Lord of hosts!
- 2 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.

- 3 Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young : even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
- 4 Blessed are they that dwell in thy house : they will be alway praising thee.
- 5 Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee : in whose heart are thy ways.
- 6 Who going through the vale of misery use it for a well : and the pools are filled with water.
- 7 They will go from strength to strength : and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.
- 8 O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer : hearken, O God of Jacob.
- 9 Behold, O God our defender : and look upon the face of thine Anointed.
- 10 For one day in thy courts : is better than a thousand.
- 11 I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God : than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.
- 12 For the Lord God is a light and defence : the Lord will give grace and worship, and no good thing shall he withhold from them that live a godly life.
- 13 O Lord God of hosts : blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee.

Please stand for the final 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

FIRST LESSON
Genesis 28.10-17

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went towards Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, 'I am the Lord the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall

spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.' Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, 'Surely the Lord is in this place – and I did not know it!' And he was afraid, and said, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.'

Here endeth the Lesson.

SEQUENCE FOR SAINT ETHELDREDA *Please stand*

Cantor Now our hymn to God upraising,
Full Sing we of a Queen's amazing
 lowliness of mind today;
Cantor Who her royal state rejected
 And, impell'd by love elected
 In Christ's holy rule to stay.
Full See as man her way impedeth,
 As she follows where God leadeth
 Lo her staff breaks out in flower;
Cantor Far aside all hindrance thrusting,
 Loving God, Him only trusting
 She is strengthened in that hour.
Full See the flood the Saint protecteth;
 God the plans of men correcteth;
 She is safe from strife at last;
Cantor Bound to prayer for man's salvation
 And to daily adoration,
 To her Lord alone held fast.
Full So by God to Ely called,
 O'er his virgin flock installed
 Mother by St. Wilfred's hand;
Cantor Now thro' work and word she teacheth
 Of the blessed way that reacheth
 Unto life's eternal land.
Full Ely's shrine of wondrous beauty
 Kept by men of faith and duty,
 Through long years of change and strife;
Cantor Still is here to tell the story
 Of how grace leads on to glory,
 And to everlasting life.

Full Etheldreda's holy living
 Urgeth us to heartfelt giving,
 Of ourselves to God today;
Cantor May her prayers for us ascending
 Gain us joys that know no ending
 With the saints on high for ay.
Full Amen. Alleluya.

Words and Music: Ely Trad.

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 showed 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.

Words: Luke 1.46-55
Music: Collegium Regale - Joanna Forbes L'Estrange

Please sit

SECOND LESSON

Luke 22.24-27

A dispute also arose among the disciples as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But Jesus said to them, 'The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

Here endeth the Lesson.

NUNC DIMITTIS *Please stand*

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.

Words: Luke 2.29-32
Music: Collegium Regale - Joanna Forbes L'Estrange

THE APOSTLES' CREED *Please remain standing and turn to face east*

Precentor I believe in God

All 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.

LESSER LITANY, RESPONSES AND COLLECTS *sung by the choir*

Precentor The Lord be with you.

Choir And with thy spirit.

Precentor Let us pray.

Please sit kneel

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

The choir sings the Lord's Prayer

Precentor O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
Choir And grant us thy salvation.
Precentor O Lord, save the King.
Choir And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
Precentor Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.
Choir And make thy chosen people joyful.
Precentor O Lord, save thy people.
Choir And bless thine inheritance.
Precentor Give peace in our time, O Lord.
Choir Because there is none other that fighteth for us,
but only thou, O God.
Precentor O God, make clean our hearts within us.
Choir And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The First Collect, of the day.

O God, who didst bestow such grace upon St Etheldreda, that she gave herself wholly to the service of thy true religion: mercifully grant that we who commemorate her faith and constancy make likewise serve thee faithfully all our days and finally, by thy guiding may come unto the glorious fellowship of thy saints; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

The Second Collect, for Benefactors.

Almighty and everlasting God, who art Lord alike of the living and the dead, and shewest pity upon them, whom both in faith and works thou fore-knowest to be thine own: We humbly entreat thee for all the Benefactors of this place, whether the present world still hold them in the flesh, or whether delivered from the body, they be already received into the world to come, that through thy gracious goodness and mercy they may obtain forgiveness of their sins, and be made partakers of thy eternal joy. Amen.

The Third Collect, for the Foundation.

Almighty and everliving God, who art builder and watchman of new Jerusalem, the heavenly city: By day and night keep watch, we pray thee, over this Church and College, and over all that serve and labour in the same, that it may ever continue before thee a dwelling of pure religion and peace; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

The Fourth Collect, for Aid against all Perils.

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.

Music: Bernard Rose 1916-1996

ANTHEM

And when the builders laid the foundations of the temple of the Lord,
They set the priests in their apparel with trumpets,
And the Levites the sons of Asaph with cymbals, to praise the Lord,
After the ordinance of David king of Israel.

And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel came from the east:
and his voice was like the sound of many waters:
and the earth shin'd with his glory.

And behold, the glory of the Lord fill'd the house.
And I heard him speaking to me out of the house.

This saith the Lord of hosts;

Yet once, a little while, and I will shake the heav'ns, and the earth,
and the sea, and the dry land:

and the desire of all nations shall come:

and I will fill this house with glory, saith the Lord of hosts.

The silver is mine,
And the gold is mine.

And when the builders laid the foundations of the temple of the Lord,
They sang together in praising the Lord.

And all the people shouted with a great shout,
Because the foundations of the temple were laid.

Words selected from Ezra, Ezekiel and Haggai by Michael Sadgrove b.1950
Music: Richard Shephard 1949 - 2021

Please sit or kneel

COMMEMORATION OF THE FOUNDER AND BENEFACTORS OF THE CHURCH OF ELY

Let us remember, with praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God, the Founders and Benefactors of this place:

Most chiefly our patroness, ST ETHELDREDA, Princess of East Anglia, Queen of Northumbria, by whom the Monastery of Ely was founded, and who governed it as first Abbess; and next after her, EDGAR, King of England, ST DUNSTAN, Archbishop of Canterbury, and ST ETHELWOLD, Bishop of Winchester, through whose liberality, protection and labour the Monastery was founded a second time, and constituted under the Benedictine Rule.

Let us praise God also for the kings and princes, the abbots, bishops, priors and deans, and many others, by whose works and munificence the former Church was furnished, and the present Church built, repaired, and beautified: and herein let us remember particularly HUGH NORTHWOLD, Bishop, who built the Presbytery; JOHN HOTHAM, Bishop, who built the Choir; ALAN OF WALSINGHAM, Sacrist and Prior, who built the Octagon and Lantern; JOHN OF WISBECH, Monk, by whose solicitude the Lady Chapel was founded and erected; BOWYER EDWARD SPARKE, Bishop, who gave the East window and GEORGE PEACOCK, Dean, through whose exertions this Church was preserved from decay, and its restoration begun. We remember WILLIAM PATTERSON, Dean, and all who gathered together to secure the restoration of more recent times.

Likewise let us glorify God's holy name for the innumerable and ever increasing company of those by whose continuous generosity our Church has been maintained, its worship adorned, and its good report upheld. And as we remember our material inheritance, so forget we not our spiritual; but let us give humble thanks to God for the bishops, priests, religious, and all other devout persons, who by serving him faithfully here in their several degrees, have set forward the purpose of this Foundation, and have been lights of God's Church in successive generations.

Finally, let us offer our prayer to Almighty God that he will grant unto all our Benefactors departed a place of rest, refreshment, light and peace, mercy in the judgement, and a part and lot in the fellowship of his Saints in the joyful resurrection at the last day. **Amen.**

HYMN *Please stand*



Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
And publish abroad his wonderful name:
The name all-victorious of Jesus extol:
His kingdom is glorious, and rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save;
And still he is nigh, his presence we have:
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,
Ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

Salvation to God who sits on the throne!
Let all cry aloud, and honour the Son:
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
Fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give him his right:
All glory and power, all wisdom and might,
All honour and blessing, with angels above,
And thanks never-ceasing, and infinite love.

Words: Charles Wesley 1707-88
Music: *Paderborn* NEH 476 *Paderborn Gesangbuch* 1765

BLESSING

God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, give you the spirit of wisdom and revelation. To know the hope to which he has called you.

Amen.

God who has shown you a pattern of holy living and holy dying in the lives of the saints,

Bring you to share their glorious inheritance.

Amen.

God, who calls you no longer strangers

but fellow citizens with Mary, Etheldreda, the Saints of Ely and all the saints,

Set your hearts and minds on things above,

Where Christ is seated at God's right hand.

Amen.

and the blessing of God almighty,

✠ the Father, ✠ the Son, and ✠ the Holy Spirit,

be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*The Chapter invite you to join them
for refreshments after the service*