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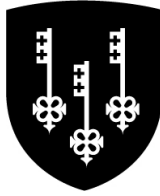
Choral Evensong

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 18 August 2024

4pm

sung by Cantus



We are delighted to welcome you and our visiting choir, Cantus, to Ely Cathedral and to this service of sung Evensong.

Today's service is livestreamed and can be viewed on the Cathedral YouTube page or via our website. If you would prefer to sit out of sight of the cameras, please ask a steward to direct you.

There is an Induction Loop in both the North and South Transepts, the Choir and the Presbytery, for those using a hearing aid, and large copies of the service sheet are available on request.

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When the bell rings, please stand

WELCOME

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

PSALM 92

- 1 It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord :
and to sing praises unto thy Name, O most Highest;
- 2 To tell of thy loving-kindness early in the morning :
and of thy truth in the night-season;
- 3 Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon the lute :
upon a loud instrument, and upon the harp.
- 4 For thou, Lord, hast made me glad through thy works :
and I will rejoice in giving praise for the operations of thy hands.
- 5 O Lord, how glorious are thy works :
thy thoughts are very deep.
- 6 An unwise man doth not well consider this :
and a fool doth not understand it.
- 7 When the ungodly are green as the grass, and when all the
workers of wickedness do flourish : then shall they be destroyed
for ever; but thou, Lord, art the most Highest for evermore.
- 8 For lo, thine enemies, O Lord, lo, thine enemies shall perish :
and all the workers of wickedness shall be destroyed.
- 9 But mine horn shall be exalted like the horn of an unicorn :
for I am anointed with fresh oil.
- 10 Mine eye also shall see his lust of mine enemies : and mine ear
shall hear his desire of the wicked that arise up against me.
- 11 The righteous shall flourish like a palm-tree :
and shall spread abroad like a cedar in Libanus.
- 12 Such as are planted in the house of the Lord :
shall flourish in the courts of the house of our God.
- 13 They also shall bring forth more fruit in their age :
and shall be fat and well-liking.
- 14 That they may shew how true the Lord my strength is :
and that there is no unrighteousness in him.

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.

- 1 O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands : serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.
- 2 Be ye sure that the Lord he is God :
it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
- 3 O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise :
be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.
- 4 For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting :
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

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.

FIRST LESSON *Please sit*
Exodus 2.23-3.10

After a long time the king of Egypt died. The Israelites groaned under their slavery, and cried out. Out of the slavery their cry for help rose up to God. God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. God looked upon the Israelites, and God took notice of them.

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, 'I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.' When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!' And he said, 'Here I am.' Then he said, 'Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.' He said further, 'I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the Lord said, 'I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed,

I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.'

Here endeth the Lesson.

OFFICE HYMN 202 *sung by all. Please stand*



1
O blest Creator of the light,
Who makest day with radiance bright,
And o'er the forming world didst call
The light from chaos first of all;

2
Whose wisdom joined in meet array
The morn and eve, and named them Day:
Night comes with all its darkling fears;
Regard thy people's prayers and tears:

5
O Father, that we ask be done,
Through Jesus Christ, thine only Son,
Who with the Spirit and with thee
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

3
Lest, sunk in sin and whelm'd with strife,
They lose the gift of endless life;
While, thinking but the thoughts of time,
They weave them chains of guilt and crime.

4
But grant them grace that they may strain
The heavenly gate and prize to gain:
Each harmful lure aside to cast,
And purge away each error past.

Words: Latin, 8th century or earlier Tr Percy Dearmer 1867-1936
Music: *Deus tuorum militum* NEH 101ii Grenoble Church Melody

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.

Words: Luke 1.46-55
Music: *Evening Service in C* Sir Charles Villiers Stanford 1852-1924

SECOND LESSON *Please sit* Hebrews 13.1-15

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honour by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.' So we can say with confidence, 'The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?'

Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teachings; for it is well for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by regulations about food, which have not benefited those who observe them. We have an altar from which those who officiate in the tent have no right to eat. For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. Therefore Jesus also suffered

outside the city gate in order to sanctify the people by his own blood. Let us then go to him outside the camp and bear the abuse he endured. For here we have no lasting city, but we are looking for the city that is to come. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name.

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: *Evening Service in C* Sir Charles Villiers Stanford 1852-1924

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.**

The choir sings the Lesser Litany and Responses

Precentor The Lord be with you.
Choir And with thy spirit.
Precentor Let us pray.

Please sit

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.

Almighty and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy, forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. 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.

Music: Bernard Rose 1916-1996

ANTHEM *Please sit*

Hail, gladdening Light, of his pure glory poured
who is th'immortal Father, heav'nly blest.
Holiest of holies Jesus our Lord.
Now we are come to the sun's hour of rest,
the lights of evening round us shine.
We hymn the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit divine.
Worthiest art Thou at all times to be sung with undefiled tongue,
Son of our God, giver of life, alone:
therefore in all the world thy glories, Lord, they own.

Words: John Keble 1792-1866
Music: Charles Wood 1866-1926

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The prayers end with The Grace

**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.**

HYMN *please stand*



1
Fill your hearts with joy and gladness,
sing and praise your God and mine!
Great the Lord in love and wisdom,
might and majesty divine!
He who framed the starry heavens
knows and names them as they shine

2
Praise the Lord, his people, praise him!
Wounded souls his comfort know.
Those who fear him find his mercies,
peace for pain and joy for woe;
humble hearts are high exalted,
human pride and power laid low.

3
Praise the Lord for times and seasons,
cloud and sunshine, wind and rain;
spring to melt the snows of winter
till the waters flow again;
grass upon the mountain pastures,
golden valleys thick with grain.

4
Fill your hearts with joy and gladness,
peace and plenty crown your days!
Love his laws, declare his judgements,
walk in all his words and ways;
he the Lord and we his children,
praise the Lord, all people, praise!

Words: Bishop Timothy Dudley-Smith 1926-2024 based on Psalm 147
Music: *Regent Square* NEH 265 Henry Smart 1813-1879

BLESSING

ORGAN Finale - Kevin Duggan

ORGAN RECITAL

5.15pm

Eva Belmas - Music from Harry Potter

Summer Organ Recital Series

All recitals start at 5.15pm

25 August - Organ Lollipops - the Cathedral organists play requests!

email your requests to Glen.Dempsey@elycathedral.org

1 September - Stanley Godfrey - Graduate Organ Scholar, Ely Cathedral

8 September - Sarah MacDonald - Director of the Girl Choristers,
Ely Cathedral

NOTICES

Please send notice requests to notices@elycathedral.org by 9.00am on the Tuesday before the Sunday you wish them to appear.

Congregational Forum

The Forum is always pleased to hear from members of the Congregation. If you have any observations or suggestions for improvement, in relation to Worship or any other element of the Cathedral, please send an email to Rosie.LeCheminant@elycathedral.org Please send your comments by Monday 2nd September 2024. We look forward to hearing from you.

Men's Breakfast

The next men's breakfast will be held in the Lighthouse Centre on Saturday 7 September at 08.30 for 08.45 until 10.00. The speaker will be John Buttifant, whose chosen subject is Volunteering at Ely Cathedral. Members of the congregation and friends are warmly invited. For more information please contact John Buttifant (01353 654195, buttifant222@btinternet.com) or John Marshall (01353 664927, jandrmarshall68@yahoo.co.uk).

Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust

The Trust is a charity which awards grants and interest-free loans to Cambridgeshire churches to help them with repairs and other building works they wish to undertake, often enabling the church to be more widely used by the community.

We have our Ride & Stride event taking place on 14 September. The challenge is for people to be sponsored to cycle, walk or car ride between as many churches as possible on that day. We hope most churches will be open and some will be providing refreshments. The money raised is distributed between the CHCT and your local church. If you wish more information and would like to take part, please go to our website camhct.uk or contact Sue Holgate on smholgate@outlook.com

Mothers' Union

The Cathedral branch of the Mothers' Union are pleased to be welcoming Rev. Ann Williams to speak to us on Wednesday 4th September in Powcher's Hall at 2.30pm. She will be talking about her visits to Rwanda and Zambia. Friends and Visitors are very welcome.

Weekday Evensongs

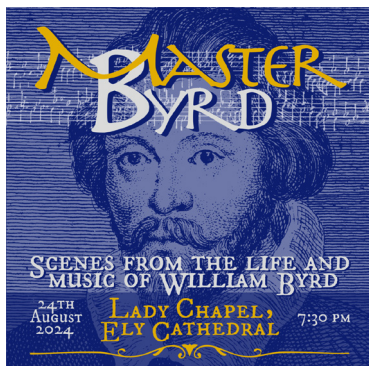
There will be a change to Evensong on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from the start of September. The choristers will continue to sing every Tuesday, with a pattern alternating between boy and girl choristers, who will occasionally sing all together. Wednesday Evensong will now be either sung by a visiting choir, or a said service of Evening Prayer. As the age range of the girl choristers gradually lowers, this new arrangement responds to the evolving nature of their school timetable. We also hope that it will allow a wider variety of choirs to enhance our worship during termtime. All other choral services remain unchanged.

Master Byrd - Scenes from the life and music of William Byrd Lady Chapel, 24 August 2024, 7:30pm

*Written and acted by Brean Hammond. Music performed by Cantica Viva.
Conducted by Deborah Davies. Soloists Mark Hacking (Gamba), Drew Dennis
(Tenor) and Rosemary Field (Organ)*

The year is 1611. William Byrd rehearses a makeshift choir in his patron's house in Ingatestone, Essex. In a series of 6 short monologues, Byrd reflects on his life, his music, his marriage and his religion. He ponders on the difficulty of writing Catholic music in extreme Protestant times. He muses on his relationship with the Queen. He relives the terror of persecution and of the aftermath of the Gunpowder Plot. He thinks also about great contemporary figures and writers, above all the dramatist whose work intrigues him, Shakespeare. We watch Byrd struggling to understand the mystery that is his music and what lies at its heart.

Ticket £15 available from the Cathedral box office. Cantica Viva will donate all profits from this performance to the maintenance of the Cathedral.



A retiring collection is taken to support the ministry of the Cathedral. You may also give using the QR code here, or when you leave, by using the Tap and Give machines at the west end and south door. Thank you for your support.