



THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST ANDREW, EPSOM

A mid-winter service of Evensong
Sunday July 7, 2020 – 5pm.

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This Choral Evensong Order of Service comes from the Book of Common Prayer. It has been in use for well over 400 years, in Cathedrals, Parish Churches, and Collegiate Chapels. As these places of worship lay empty across the world during the COVID-19 global pandemic, we began to gather in a new way, to proclaim the wonderful works of God in history, and in the life and death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We do so again tonight to offer our praise, penitence, and prayer to God. Tonight's service incorporates recorded video from both St Andrew's Choir, and Holy Trinity Cathedral, Mary's Singers (by agreement with Anita Banbury (Director) and the Dean, Precentor and Music Team at Holy Trinity Cathedral). It includes the inaugural performance (recorded on the 3rd Sunday after Epiphany, 2020) of a new setting of the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis composed by Elizabeth Salmon, a former assistant organist and member of the choir of Holy Trinity Cathedral under the late Prof. Peter Godfrey (1922-2017). Members of the congregation will be muted throughout the service. You are invited to join in the words in bold and hymns from home.

WELCOME

The Reverend Sarah Stevens-Cross, Vicar

INTROIT: Alleluia

Music - W. Boyce. St Andrew's Choir, N. Shroff (Director); from 'Praise Be' recorded by TVNZ for 'Praise Be' at Pitt St Methodist Church (2011)

HYMN:

Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true, the only Light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise,
Triumph o'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high, be near;
Daystar, in my heart appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn
Unaccompanied by thee;
Joyless is the day's return,
'Til thy mercy's beams I see;
'Til they inward light impart,
Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine;
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
Fill me, radiancy divine,
Scatter all my unbelief;
More and more thyself display,
Shining to the perfect day.

Words – C. Wesley; Tune – ‘Ratisbon’ (J. Werner)

Nicholas Sutcliffe (Organ), Neil Shroff (Director)

*Choir of St Andrew’s, Epsom, recorded in St Luke’s Presbyterian Church, Remuera
(24 May 2009) for the CD ‘King of Glory – Great Hymns for the Seasons of the
Church, Vol. 2’*

THE PREPARATION

Brothers and sisters in Christ, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God and of the whole company of heaven to offer through our Lord Jesus Christ, our worship and praise and thanksgiving; to make confession of our sins; to pray, as well for others, as for ourselves, that we may know more truly the greatness of God’s love and show forth in our lives the fruits of his grace; and to ask on behalf of all people such things as their well-being doth require. Wherefore in silence we remember God’s presence with us now.

Silence

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

O God, our Father,

We have sinned against thee in thought word and deed:

We have not loved thee with all our heart;

We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

Have mercy upon us, we beseech thee;

Cleanse us from our sins; and help us to overcome our faults;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

May the Almighty and merciful Lord
grant unto you pardon and remission of all your sins,
time for amendment of life,
and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, which art in heaven
hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done;
in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power,
and the glory. For ever and ever. Amen.**

PRECES

Priest: O Lord, open thou our lips;
Choir: And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
Priest: O God, make speed to save us;
Choir: O Lord to haste to help us.
Priest: 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.
Priest: Praise ye the Lord.
Choir: The Lord's name be praised.

*Music – P Nardone (composed 2000); Words – Book of Common Prayer (1662)
Cantor: Rev I Gregurec – Precentor, Holy Trinity Cathedral, Auckland
St Mary's Singers (dir. A Banbury), recorded live at Holy Trinity Cathedral,
Auckland, on 26 January, 2020*

PSALM 33:

Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous:
for it becometh well the just to be thankful.
Praise the Lord with harp:
sing praises unto him with the lute, and instrument of ten strings.
Sing unto the Lord a new song:
sing praises lustily unto him with a good courage.

For the word of the Lord is true:

and all his works are faithful.

He loveth righteousness and judgment:

the earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

By the word of the Lord were the heavens made:

and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth.

He gathereth the waters of the sea together, as it were upon an heap:

and layeth up the deep, as in a treasure-house.

Let all the earth fear the Lord:

stand in awe of him, all ye that dwell in the world.

For he spake, and it was done:

he commanded, and it stood fast.

The Lord bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought:

and maketh the devices of the people to be of none effect, and casteth out the counsels of princes.

The counsel of the Lord shall endure for ever:

and the thoughts of his heart from generation to generation.

Blessed are the people whose God is the Lord Jehovah:

and blessed are the folk that he hath chosen to him, to be his inheritance.

The Lord looketh down from heaven,

and beholdeth all the children of men:

from the habitation of his dwelling,

he considereth all them that dwell on the earth.

He fashioneth all the hearts of them:

and understandeth all their works.

There is no king that can be saved by the multitude of an host:

neither is any mighty man delivered by much strength.

A horse is counted but a vain thing to save a man:

neither shall he deliver any man by his great strength.

Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear him:

and upon them that put their trust in his mercy;

To deliver their soul from death:

and to feed them in the time of dearth.

Our soul hath patiently tarried for the Lord;

for he is our help and our shield.

For our heart shall rejoice in him:

because we have hoped in his holy Name.

Let thy merciful kindness, O Lord, be upon us:
like as we do put our trust in thee.

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.

*Chant – K Pye; Words – Book of Common Prayer (1662)
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THE FIRST LESSON: 2 Samuel 2: 1-7 *Graeme Johansen*
After the Reading: Here ends the first lesson.
 Thanks be to God.

HYMN: Ye holy angels bright,
 Who wait at God's right hand,
Or through the realms of light
 Fly at your Lord's command,
 Assist our song,
 For else the theme
 Too high doth seem
 For mortal tongue.

Ye blessèd souls at rest,
 Who ran this earthly race,
And now, from sin released,
 Behold the Saviour's face,
 His praises sound,
 As in his sight
 With sweet delight
 Ye do abound.

Ye saints, who toil below,
 Adore your heavenly King,
And onward as ye go
 Some joyful anthem sing;
 Take what he gives
 And praise him still,
 Through good and ill,
 Who ever lives!

My soul, bear thou thy part,
Triumph in God above:
And with a well-tuned heart
Sing thou the songs of love!
Let all thy days
Till life shall end,
Whate'er he send,
Be filled with praise.

Words – R Baxter, J Gurney; Tune – ‘Darwall’s 148th’ – (J. Darwall)

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THE 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 imaginations 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 forever.

Luke 1:46

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.

THE SECOND LESSON:

Luke 18: 35-43

Margaret Tracey

After the Reading:

Here ends the first lesson.

Thanks be to God.

THE 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.

Luke 2:29

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 – E Salmon (2019) – first performance; Words – Book of Common Prayer (1662) St Mary’s Singers (dir. A Banbury), recorded live at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Auckland, on 26 January, 2020

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 Catholick Church;
the communion of Saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

RESPONSES

Priest: The Lord be with you;
Choir: And with thy spirit.
Priest: Let us pray:
Choir: Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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A COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God,
mercifully look upon our infirmities,
and in all our dangers and necessities
stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE SECOND COLLECT AT EVENING PRAYER

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.

THE THIRD 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.

ANTHEM:

At the round earth's imagin'd corners, blow
Your trumpets, Angels, and arise, arise
From death, you numberless infinities
Of souls, and to your scattered bodies go,
All whom the flood did, and fire shall o'erthrow,
All whom war, dearth, age, agues, tyrannies,
Despair, law, chance, hath slain, and you whose eyes,
Shall behold God, and never taste death's woe.

But let them sleep, Lord, and me mourn a space,
For, if above all these, my sins abound,
'Tis late to ask abundance of thy grace,
When we are there; here on this lowly ground,
Teach me how to repent; for that's as good
As if thou hadst seal'd my pardon, with thy blood.

Music – M. Archer (2010); Words – J. Donne (1609)

Choir of St Andrew's, Epsom (dir. N Shroff)

Recorded live at St Luke's Presbyterian Church, Remuera, on 14 May 2017

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The Reverend Julian Morris

HYMN: The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended,
 The darkness falls at thy behest;
 To thee our morning hymns ascended,
 Thy praise shall sanctify our rest.
 We thank thee that thy Church unsleeping,
 While earth rolls onward into light,
 Through all the world her watch is keeping,
 And rests not now by day or night.
 As o'er each continent and island
 The dawn leads on another day,
 The voice of prayer is never silent,
 Nor dies the strain of praise away.
 The sun that bids us rest is waking
 Our brethren 'neath the western sky,
 And hour by hour fresh lips are making
 Thy wondrous doings heard on high.
 So be it, Lord; thy throne shall never,
 Like earth's proud empires, pass away;
 Thy kingdom stands, and grows for ever,
 Till all thy creatures own thy sway.

*Words – J. Ellerton; Tune – 'St Clement' (C. Scholefield); Descant – C. Gower
Brendon Packard (Trumpet), Nicholas Sutcliffe (Organ), Neil Shroff (Director)
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THE GRACE AND BLESSING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost,
be with us all evermore. Amen.

The peace of God which passes all understanding
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord
and may the blessing of God,
Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life be amongst you
today and always. Amen.

FINAL RESPONSES

Priest: The Lord be with you

Choir: And with thy spirit

Priest: The Lord grant us his grace.

Choir: And peace eternal. Amen.

*Words and music: E Naylor (for King's College, Cambridge, 1920's)
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ORGAN SORTIE

*Te Deum, from 'Six Paraphrases grégoriennes' (Bédard)
Dr Philip Smith (Cathedral organist), recorded live at Holy Trinity Cathedral,
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