



SAINT MARK'S  
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

# CHORAL EVENSONG

## THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

April 7, 2019

4:30 PM

**C**HORAL EVENSONG in this cathedral is a tiny fragment of something else: it is part of the worship which is offered to God by Christian people every hour of the day and night, in every part of the world.

When you come to Evensong here, it is as if you were dropping in on a conversation already in progress—a conversation between God and his people which began long before you were born and which will continue long after your death. So, do not be surprised or disturbed if there are some things which you do not understand straight away. For a brief moment, you step into the continual stream of worship which is being offered today and which will be offered to the end of time. You are one with those who worship here on earth and in heaven.

*—adapted from the Evensong bulletin of Saint Paul's Cathedral, London.*

Welcome to this celebration of Choral Evensong. Please be aware that incense will be used. Out of respect for the liturgy we are about to celebrate, please turn off all cell phones and audible devices. Please, no photography during the liturgy. A basket is available to make a goodwill offering as you leave; your generosity helps support the ministry of this Cathedral.

As part of our effort to serve those who cannot attend worship, this service will be livestreamed on the internet. We are grateful for your presence and participation in this community.

The Very Reverend Steven L. Thomason, Dean and Rector of Saint Mark's Cathedral, *Officiant*

**PRELUDE** *Herzliebster Jesu*, Op. 122, No. 2 Johannes Brahms (1833–1897)  
[tune of Hymn #158: "Ah, holy Jesus"]

*A bell bids all to stand as they are able.*

**ENTRANCE** Organ Improvisation

## THE INVITATORY & PSALTER

**PRECES** *sung by the Officiant and Choir* setting by Richard Ayleward (1626–1669)

*Officiant* O Lord, open thou our lips.

*Choir* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

*Officiant* O God, make speed to save us.

*Choir* 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.

**PHOS HILARON** *O gladsome light ♦ sung by all, standing*

WORDS: Φῶς Ἰλαρόν, Greek, 3<sup>rd</sup> century  
paraphrase by F. Bland Tucker (1895–1984)  
TUNE: *The Eighth Tune*, Thomas Tallis (c. 1505–1585)

*All are invited to sing this hymn in a round, high voices starting, low voices following one measure later*



1. O gra-cious Light, Lord Je - sus Christ, in you the Fa - ther's glo - ry shone.  
2. Now sun - set comes, but light shines forth, the lamps are lit to pierce the night.  
3. Wor - thy are you of end - less praise, O Son of God, Life - giv - ing Lord;



Im - mor - tal, ho - ly, blest is he, and blest are you, his ho - ly Son.  
Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit: God who dwells in the e - ter - nal light.  
where - fore you are through all the earth and in the high - est heav'n a - dored.

*Please be seated.*

**PSALMODY** *Psalm 145 ♦ chanted by the Choir*

Anglican Chant by Joseph Barnby (1838–1896)

*Exaltabo te, Deus*

- I**WILL exalt you, O God my King, \*  
and bless your Name for ever and ever.
- 2 Every day will I bless you \*  
and praise your Name for ever and ever.
- 3 Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; \*  
there is no end to his greatness.
- 4 One generation shall praise your works to another \*  
and shall declare your power.
- 5 I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty \*  
and all your marvelous works.
- 6 They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, \*  
and I will tell of your greatness.
- 7 They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; \*  
they shall sing of your righteous deeds.
- 8 The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, \*  
slow to anger and of great kindness.
- 9 The LORD is loving to everyone \*  
and his compassion is over all his works.
- 10 All your works praise you, O LORD, \*  
and your faithful servants bless you.
- 11 They make known the glory of your kingdom \*  
and speak of your power;
- 12 That the peoples may know of your power \*  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
- 13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; \*  
your dominion endures throughout all ages.
- 14 The LORD is faithful in all his words \*  
and merciful in all his deeds.
- 15 The LORD upholds all those who fall; \*  
he lifts up those who are bowed down.
- 16 The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, \*  
and you give them their food in due season.
- 17 You open wide your hand \*  
and satisfy the needs of every living creature.
- 18 The LORD is righteous in all his ways \*  
and loving in all his works.
- 19 The LORD is near to those who call upon him, \*  
to all who call upon him faithfully.
- 20 He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; \*  
he hears their cry and helps them.
- 21 The LORD preserves all those who love him, \*  
but he destroys all the wicked.
- 22 My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD; \*  
let all flesh bless his holy Name for ever and ever.
- Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

# THE LESSONS

*Please remain seated.*

**READING** *Jeremiah 23:16–32*

**T**HUS says the LORD of hosts: Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you; they are deluding you. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the LORD. They keep saying to those who despise the word of the LORD, “It shall be well with you”; and to all who stubbornly follow their own stubborn hearts, they say, “No calamity shall come upon you.”

For who has stood in the council of the LORD  
so as to see and to hear his word?  
Who has given heed to his word so as to proclaim it?  
Look, the storm of the LORD!  
Wrath has gone forth,  
a whirling tempest;  
it will burst upon the head of the wicked.  
The anger of the LORD will not turn back  
until he has executed and accomplished  
the intents of his mind.  
In the latter days you will understand it clearly.  
I did not send the prophets,  
yet they ran;  
I did not speak to them,  
yet they prophesied.  
But if they had stood in my council,  
then they would have proclaimed my words to my people,  
and they would have turned them from their evil way,  
and from the evil of their doings.

Am I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, “I have dreamed, I have dreamed!” How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces? See, therefore, I am against the prophets, says the LORD, who steal my words from one another. See, I am against the prophets, says the LORD, who use their own tongues and say, “Says the LORD.” See, I am against those who prophesy lying dreams, says the LORD, and who tell them, and who lead my people astray by their lies and their recklessness, when I did not send them or appoint them; so they do not profit this people at all, says the LORD. ♦

*Please stand as you are able.*

**CANTICLE** *Luke 1:46–55 [The Song of Mary] ♦ sung by the Choir*  
*Magnificat*

setting by Gabriel Jackson (b. 1962)  
*Evening Service for Truro Cathedral*

**M**Y SOUL doth magnify the Lord, \*  
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.

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.

*Please be seated.*

**READING** *John 12:24–32*

**T**HEN he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.” And he said to them, “Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see that the kingdom of God has come with power.” ♦

*Please stand as you are able.*

**CANTICLE** *Luke 2:29–32 [The Song of Simeon] ♦ sung by the Choir*

Jackson, *The Truro Service*

*Nunc dimittis*

**L**ORD, 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.

**THE APOSTLES' CREED** *chanted by all, standing*

*Officiant* I believe in God,

**All** the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS

**SALUTATION & LESSER LITANY** *sung by the Officiant and Choir*

setting by Richard Ayleward

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*Choir* And with thy spirit.

*Officiant* Let us pray.

*Choir* Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** *chanted by all on a monotone, standing or kneeling*

*Officiant* Our Father,

**All** 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.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.

#### SUFFRAGES

Ayleward

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

#### COLLECT FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

*Officiant* ALMIGHTY God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  
*Choir* Amen.

#### A COLLECT FOR PEACE

*Officiant* MOST holy God, the source of all good desires, all right judgments, and all just works: Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, so that our minds may be fixed on the doing of your will, and that we, being delivered from the fear of all enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through the mercies of Christ Jesus our Savior.  
*Choir* Amen.

#### A COLLECT FOR MISSION

*Officiant* KEEP watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake.  
*Choir* Amen.

*Please be seated for the anthem.*

**ANTHEM***Jesu, the very thought of thee*WORDS: *Jesu dulcis memoria*, 12<sup>th</sup>-cen. Latin Hymn  
trans. Edward Caswall (1814–1878)MUSIC: Paul Halley (b. 1952), after the hymn tune *St. Botolph*

Jesu, the very thought of thee  
With sweetness fills the breast;  
But sweeter far thy face to see,  
And in thy presence rest.

No voice can sing, no heart can frame,  
Nor can the memory find  
A sweeter sound than Jesus' name,  
The saviour of mankind.

*Please stand as you are able.*

O hope of every contrite heart,  
O joy of all the meek,  
To those who ask how kind thou art,  
How good to those who seek.

But what to those who find? Ah! this  
Nor tongue nor pen can show;  
The love of Jesus, what it is  
None but his loved ones know.

Jesu, our only joy be thou,  
As thou our prize wilt be;  
In thee be all our glory now,  
And through eternity.

**A PRAYER OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM**

*Presider* **A**LMIGHTY GOD, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

*sung by all, standing***HYMN 662** *Abide with me* ♦ *The Hymnal 1982 #662*TUNE: *Eventide***DISMISSAL***Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.*Assembly* Thanks be to God.**THE GRACE**

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

**All** Amen.*Please remain standing as you are able for the procession.***VOLUNTARY** Meditation on *Eventide*  
[tune of Hymn #662: "Abide with me"]

C. Hubert H. Parry (1848–1918)

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