



SAINT MARK'S  
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

# CHORAL EVENSONG

OBSERVING THE FEAST OF  
ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

October 6, 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.*



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*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.*

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*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 & Rector of Saint Mark's Cathedral, *Officiant*

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

**HYMN IN PROCESSION** *Christ, the fair glory of the holy angels ♦ sung by all, as indicated, standing*

WORDS: *Christe, sanctorum decus Angelorum*, attr. Hrabanus Maurus (c. 776–856)  
translation after J. Athelstan Riley (1858–1945) & Percy Dearmer (1867–1936)

TUNE: *Caelites plaudant*, from the Rouen Antiphoner (1728)  
harmonized by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)



*All 1.* Christ, the fair glo - ry of the ho - ly an - gels,  
*All 2.* Send thine arch - an - gel Mi - chael to our suc - cor;  
*high voices only 3.* Send thine arch - an - gel Ga - bri - el, the might - y;  
*low voices only 4.* Send from the hea - vens Ra - phael thine arch - an - gel,  
*Choir alone 5.* May the blest mo - ther of our God and Sa - vior,  
*All 6.* Fa - ther Al - might - y, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit,



1. mak - er of all things, rul - er of all na - tions,  
 2. peace - mak - er bless - ed, may he ban - ish from us  
 3. he - rald of hea - ven, may he, from us mor - tals,  
 4. health - bring - er bless - ed, aid - ing ev - ery suf - ferer,  
 5. may the ce - les - tial com - pa - ny of an - gels,  
 6. God ev - er bless - ed, hear our thank - ful prais - es;



1. grant of thy mer - cy un - to us thy ser - vants  
 2. striv - ing and ha - tred, so that for the peace - ful  
 3. drive ev - ery e - vil, watch - ing o'er the tem - ples  
 4. that, in thy ser - vice, he may wise - ly guide us,  
 5. may the as - sem - bly of the saints in hea - ven  
 6. thine is the glo - ry which from all cre - a - tion



1. steps up to hea - ven.  
 2. all things may pros - per.  
 3. where thou art wor - shipped.  
 4. heal - ing and bless - ing.  
 5. help us to praise thee.  
 6. ev - er a - scen - deth.

# THE INVITATORY & PSALTER

**PRECES** *sung by the Officiant and Choir*

setting by William Smith (c. 1603–1645)

*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 Robert Seymour Bridges (1844–1930)

TUNE: *Le Cantique de Siméon*, Loÿs Bourgeois (c. 1510–1559)

1. O gladsome Light, O grace of God the Father's face, the e - ter - nal splen - dor wear - ing;  
 2. Now, ere day fad - eth quite, we see the eve - ning light, our wont - ed hymn out - pour - ing;  
 3. To thee of right be - longs all praise of ho - ly songs, O Son of God, Life - giv - er;

ce - les - tial, ho - ly, blest, our Sa - vior Je - sus Christ, joy - ful in thine ap - pear - ing.  
 Fa - ther of might un - known, thee, his in - car - nate Son, and Ho - ly Spirit a - dor - ing.  
 thee, therefore, O Most High, the world doth glo - ri - fy, and shall ex - alt for ev - er.

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*Please be seated.*

**PSALMODY** *Psalm 103* ♦ *chanted by the Choir*

*Benedic, anima mea*

- B**LESS the LORD, O my soul, \*  
and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.
- 2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, \*  
and forget not all his benefits.
- 3 He forgives all your sins \*  
and heals all your infirmities;
- 4 He redeems your life from the grave \*  
and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;
- 5 He satisfies you with good things, \*  
and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.
- 6 The LORD executes righteousness \*  
and judgment for all who are oppressed.
- 7 He made his ways known to Moses \*  
and his works to the children of Israel.
- 8 The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, \*  
slow to anger and of great kindness.
- 9 He will not always accuse us, \*  
nor will he keep his anger for ever.
- 10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, \*  
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.
- 11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, \*  
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.
- 12 As far as the east is from the west, \*  
so far has he removed our sins from us.
- 13 As a father cares for his children, \*  
so does the LORD care for those who fear him.

Anglican Chant by Kellow John Pye (1812–1901)

- 14 For he himself knows whereof we are made; \*  
he remembers that we are but dust.
- 15 Our days are like the grass; \*  
we flourish like a flower of the field;
- 16 When the wind goes over it, it is gone, \*  
and its place shall know it no more.
- 17 But the merciful goodness of the LORD endures  
for ever on those who fear him, \*  
and his righteousness on children's children;
- 18 On those who keep his covenant \*  
and remember his commandments and do them.
- 19 The LORD has set his throne in heaven, \*  
and his kingship has dominion over all.
- 20 Bless the LORD, you angels of his,  
you mighty ones who do his bidding, \*  
and hearken to the voice of his word.
- 21 Bless the LORD, all you his hosts, \*  
you ministers of his who do his will.
- 22 Bless the LORD, all you works of his,  
in all places of his dominion; \*  
bless the LORD, O my soul.
- 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**     *2 Kings 6:8–17*

ONCE when the king of Aram was at war with Israel, he took counsel with his officers. He said, “At such and such a place shall be my camp.” But the man of God sent word to the king of Israel, “Take care not to pass this place, because the Arameans are going down there.” The king of Israel sent word to the place of which the man of God spoke. More than once or twice he warned such a place so that it was on the alert.

The mind of the king of Aram was greatly perturbed because of this; he called his officers and said to them, “Now tell me who among us sides with the king of Israel?” Then one of his officers said, “No one, my lord king. It is Elisha, the prophet in Israel, who tells the king of Israel the words that you speak in your bedchamber.” He said, “Go and find where he is; I will send and seize him.” He was told, “He is in Dothan.” So he sent horses and chariots there and a great army; they came by night, and surrounded the city.

When an attendant of the man of God rose early in the morning and went out, an army with horses and chariots was all around the city. His servant said, “Alas, master! What shall we do?” He replied, “Do not be afraid, for there are more with us than there are with them.” Then Elisha prayed: “O LORD, please open his eyes that he may see.” So the LORD opened the eyes of the servant, and he saw; the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha. ♦

*Please stand as you are able.*

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

setting by Herbert Brewer (1865–1928)  
*Evening Service in D*

**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**     *Revelation 12:7–12*

**A**ND war broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming,

“Now have come the salvation and the power  
and the kingdom of our God  
and the authority of his Messiah,  
for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down,  
who accuses them day and night before our God.  
But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb  
and by the word of their testimony,  
for they did not cling to life even in the face of death.  
Rejoice then, you heavens  
and those who dwell in them!  
But woe to the earth and the sea,  
for the devil has come down to you  
with great wrath,  
because he knows that his time is short!” ♦

*Please stand as you are able.*

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

Brewer in D

**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 William Smith

*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**

*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 FEAST OF SAINT MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS**

*Officiant* **E**VERLASTING God, you have ordained and constituted in a wonderful order the ministries of angels and mortals: Mercifully grant that, as your holy angels always serve and worship you in heaven, so by your appointment they may help and defend us here on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*Choir* Amen.

**A COLLECT FOR PEACE**

*Officiant* **M**OST 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* **K**EEP 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***Factum est silentium*

WORDS: Michaelmas antiphon,  
 based on Revelation 8:1, 12:7, 5:11  
 MUSIC: Richard Dering (c. 1580–1630)

*Factum est silentium in caelo,  
 dum committeret bellum draco  
 cum Michaelae Archangelo.*

There was silence in heaven  
 When the dragon fought  
 with the Archangel Michael.

*Audita est vox millia millium dicentium:  
 Salus, honor et virtus omnipotenti Deo.  
 Alleluia.*

The voice of a thousand thousand was heard saying:  
 “Salvation, honor and power be to almighty God.”  
 Alleluia.

*Please stand as you are able.*

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*The Officiant offers prayers for the Church and the world.*

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

*Officiant* Almighty God, Father of all mercies,

**All** we you unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
 for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
 to us and to all whom you have made.

We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
 and all the blessings of this life;

but above all for your immeasurable love  
 in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
 for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
 that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,

not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
 by giving up our selves to your service,  
 and by walking before you

in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,

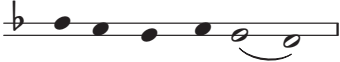
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
 be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

*sung by all, standing*

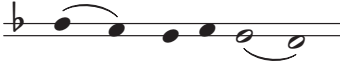
**HYMN 625** *Ye holy angels bright* ♦ *The Hymnal 1982 #625*

TUNE: *Darwell's 148th*

**DISMISSAL**



*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.



*Assembly* Thanks be to God.

**THE GRACE**

*Officiant* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and 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.*

**AT THE PROCESSION** *Evening Song*

Edward C. Bairstow (1874–1946)



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