



**CHORAL EVENSONG**

**ON PALM SUNDAY**

**SUNDAY 10 APRIL 2022**

**AT 4.00PM**

## Welcome

A warm welcome to York Minster and to this service of Choral Evensong. Welcome if you are a regular worshipper and know the Minster well, and welcome if you are experiencing this building and this form of worship for the first time today.

Today's service will be live streamed from the Minster. We hope that this regular provision of choral worship will help us through the months ahead and the challenges of different restrictions due to the pandemic.

In this service we are immersed in the words of scripture, spoken and sung, and we are given time and space to lose ourselves in prayer and come closer to God.

# Order of Service

*A bell is rung and these prayers are sung:*

O praise the Lord, all ye servants of the Lord.

Let us pray.

O Lord, open thou our lips and purify our hearts, that we may worthily magnify thy holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O praise the Lord with me, and let us magnify his name together.

*Please stand as the procession enters.*

## Introit

Hear my prayer, O Lord: and let my crying come unto thee.

*Words* Psalm 102.1 ♦ *Music* Henry Purcell (1659–95)

## Preces

O Lord, open thou our lips;  
And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us;  
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.  
The Lord's name be praised.

*Music* William Smith (1603–45)

*Please sit for the singing of the psalm but stand for the final Gloria.*

## Psalmody

Save me, O God ♦ for the waters are come in, even unto my soul.

I stick fast in the deep mire, where no ground is ♦ I am come into deep waters, so that the floods run over me.

I am weary of crying; my throat is dry ♦ my sight faileth me for waiting so long upon my God.

They that hate me without a cause are more than the hairs of my head ♦ they that are mine enemies, and would destroy me guiltless, are mighty.

I paid them the things that I never took ♦ God, thou knowest my simpleness, and my faults are not hid from thee.

Let not them that trust in thee, O Lord God of hosts, be ashamed for my cause ♦ let not those that seek thee be confounded through me, O Lord God of Israel.

And why? for thy sake have I suffered reproof ♦ shame hath covered my face.

I am become a stranger unto my brethren ♦ even an alien unto my mother's children.

For the zeal of thine house hath even eaten me ♦ and the rebukes of them that rebuked thee are fallen upon me.

I wept, and chastened myself with fasting ♦ and that was turned to my reproof.

I put on sackcloth also ♦ and they jested upon me.

They that sit in the gate speak against me ♦ and the drunkards make songs upon me.

But, Lord, I make my prayer unto thee ♦ in an acceptable time.

Hear me, O God, in the multitude of thy mercy ♦ even in the truth of thy salvation.

Take me out of the mire, that I sink not ♦ O let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters.

Let not the water-flood drown me, neither let the deep swallow me up ♦ and let not the pit shut her mouth upon me.

Hear me, O Lord, for thy loving-kindness is comfortable ♦ turn thee unto me according to the multitude of thy mercies.

And hide not thy face from thy servant, for I am in trouble ♦ O haste thee, and hear me.

Draw nigh unto my soul, and save it ♦ O deliver me, because of mine enemies.

Thou hast known my reproof, my shame, and my dishonour ♦ mine adversaries are all in thy sight.

*Please stand.*

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 69.1-20

*Please sit.*

## **First Lesson**

The First Lesson is from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Let me sing for my beloved  
my love-song concerning his vineyard:  
My beloved had a vineyard  
on a very fertile hill.  
He dug it and cleared it of stones,  
and planted it with choice vines;  
he built a watch-tower in the midst of it,  
and hewed out a wine vat in it;  
he expected it to yield grapes,  
but it yielded wild grapes.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem  
and people of Judah,  
judge between me  
and my vineyard.  
What more was there to do for my vineyard  
that I have not done in it?  
When I expected it to yield grapes,  
why did it yield wild grapes?

And now I will tell you  
what I will do to my vineyard.  
I will remove its hedge,  
and it shall be devoured;  
I will break down its wall,  
and it shall be trampled down.  
I will make it a waste;  
it shall not be pruned or hoed,  
and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns;

I will also command the clouds  
that they rain no rain upon it.

For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts  
is the house of Israel,  
and the people of Judah  
are his pleasant planting;  
he expected justice,  
but saw bloodshed;  
righteousness,  
but heard a cry!

Here ends the First Lesson.

ISAIAH 5.1-7

*Please stand.*

## Magnificat

My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.  
For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his hand-maiden.  
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 A FLAT, Edmund Rubbra (1901-86)

*Please sit.*

## Second Lesson

The Second Lesson is from the Gospel of Luke.

Jesus began to tell the people this parable: 'A man planted a vineyard, and leased it to tenants, and went to another country for a long time. When the season came, he sent a slave to the tenants in order that they might give him his share of the produce of the vineyard; but the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. Next he sent another slave; that one also they beat and insulted and sent away empty-handed. And he sent yet a third; this one also they wounded and threw out. Then the owner of the vineyard said, "What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him." But when the tenants saw him, they discussed it among themselves and said, "This is the heir; let us kill him so that the inheritance may be ours." So they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others.' When they heard this, they said, 'Heaven forbid!' But he looked at them and said, 'What then does this text mean:

"The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone"?

Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.' When the scribes and chief priests realized that he had told this parable against them, they wanted to lay hands on him at that very hour, but they feared the people.

Here ends the Second Lesson.

LUKE 20.9-19

*Please stand.*

## 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.  
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 A FLAT, Edmund Rubbra

*Please remain standing.*

## 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 catholic Church;  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. Amen.



# The Lesser Litany and Responses

The Lord be with you;  
and with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

*Please sit or kneel.*

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

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.  
Amen.

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;  
And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the Queen;  
And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy ministers with righteousness;  
And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people;  
And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord;  
Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us;  
And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

## The Collects

Almighty and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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* William Byrd

*Please sit.*

## Anthem

Hosanna to the Son of David: blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Blessed be the King of Israel.  
Blessed be the Kingdom that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest places.  
Hosanna in the highest heavens.

*Words* Matthew 21.9, Luke 19.38, Mark 11.10  
*Music* Orlando Gibbons (1583–1625)

# Sermon

The Reverend Michael Smith, Acting Dean and Canon Pastor

*Please stand.*

# Hymn



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| 1. When I survey the wondrous Cross,<br>on which the Prince of glory died,<br>my richest gain I count but loss,<br>and pour contempt on all my pride.       | 3. See from his head, his hands, his feet,<br>sorrow and love flow mingled down;<br>did e'er such love and sorrow meet,<br>or thorns compose so rich a crown? |
| 2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast<br>save in the death of Christ my God;<br>all the vain things that charm me most,<br>I sacrifice them to his blood. | 4. His dying crimson like a robe,<br>spreads o'er his body on the Tree;<br>then am I dead to all the globe,<br>and all the globe is dead to me.               |
| 5. Were the whole realm of nature mine,<br>that were a present far too small;<br>love so amazing, so divine,<br>demands my soul, my life, my all.           |   |

*Words* Isaac Watts (1674–1748)  
*Tune* ROCKINGHAM, NEH 95, adapted Edward Miller (1731–1807)

*Please remain standing.*

# The Blessing

# Voluntary

Valet will ich dir geben, BWV 736 J S Bach

## Chorister Recruitment

York Minster and St Peter's School York, are searching for a school girl, currently in Year 3, to audition for the world famous Choir of York Minster and the chance to receive an outstanding education at St Peter's School, York starting in September. Formal singing experience is not required for the auditions: a love of singing is all that is needed.

The auditions held earlier this year resulted in a full complement of boy choristers but one role remains unfilled for the girls.

In addition to developing their musical skills, training as a chorister helps children to develop lifelong skills such as self-discipline, being organised, concentration, poise and attention to detail. This is a unique opportunity for a girl to have a superb education and to play a part in the life of one of the most important and beautiful cathedrals in the world.

York Minster's choristers receive an excellent education at St Peter's School, which, like York Minster, was founded in 627AD. It is the fourth oldest school in the world. The Chapter of York provides a bursary for each chorister worth 60% of their school fees with means-tested funding potentially increasing the level of funding to 100%.

For more information about the chorister audition process and to apply online go to: [www.stpetersyork.org.uk/admissions/chorister-admissions](http://www.stpetersyork.org.uk/admissions/chorister-admissions).

For an application pack and more details, contact Sara Bath, Master's PA, on 01904 527391 or email [s.bath@stpetersyork.org.uk](mailto:s.bath@stpetersyork.org.uk).