



# CHORAL EVENSONG

ON THE FOURTH SUNDAY  
BEFORE LENT

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THE ACCESSION OF  
QUEEN ELIZABETH II 1952

SUNDAY 6 FEBRUARY 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

O Lord, make thy servant Elizabeth our Queen to rejoice in thy strength;  
give her her heart's desire, and deny not the request of her lips;  
but prevent her with thine everlasting blessing,  
and give her a long life, even for ever and ever. Amen.

*Words adapted from Psalm 21 ♦ Music William Byrd (1539/40–1623)*

## 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 Francis Jackson (1917–2022)*

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

## **Psalmody**

The Lord hear thee in the day of trouble ♦ the Name of the God of Jacob defend thee;

Send thee help from the sanctuary ♦ and strengthen thee out of Sion;

Remember all thy offerings ♦ and accept thy burnt sacrifice;

Grant thee thy heart's desire ♦ and fulfil all thy mind.

We will rejoice in thy salvation, and triumph in the Name of the Lord our God ♦ the Lord perform all thy petitions.

Now know I that the Lord helpeth his Anointed, and will hear him from his holy heaven ♦ even with the wholesome strength of his right hand.

Some put their trust in chariots, and some in horses ♦ but we will remember the Name of the Lord our God.

They are brought down, and fallen ♦ but we are risen, and stand upright.

Save, Lord and hear us, O King of heaven ♦ when we call upon 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.

PSALM 20

My song shall be of mercy and judgement ♦ unto thee, O Lord, will I sing.

O let me have understanding ♦ in the way of godliness.

When wilt thou come unto me ♦ I will walk in my house with a perfect heart.

I will take no wicked thing in hand; I hate the sins of unfaithfulness ♦ there shall no such cleave unto me.

A froward heart shall depart from me ♦ I will not know a wicked person.

Whoso privily slandereth his neighbour ♦ him will I destroy.

Whoso hath also a proud look and high stomach ♦ I will not suffer him.

Mine eyes look upon such as are faithful in the land ♦ that they may dwell with me.

Whoso leadeth a godly life ♦ he shall be my servant.

There shall no deceitful person dwell in my house ♦ he that telleth lies shall not tarry in my sight.

I shall soon destroy all the ungodly that are in the land ♦ that I may root out all wicked doers from the city of the Lord.

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 101

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills ♦ from whence cometh my help.  
My help cometh even from the Lord ♦ who hath made heaven and earth.  
He will not suffer thy foot to be moved ♦ and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.  
Behold, he that keepeth Israel ♦ shall neither slumber nor sleep.  
The Lord himself is thy keeper ♦ the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand.  
So that the sun shall not burn thee by day ♦ neither the moon by night.  
The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil ♦ yea, it is even he that shall keep thy  
soul.  
The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in ♦ from this time forth  
for evermore.

*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 121

*Please sit.*

## **First Lesson**

The First Lesson is from the Book of Joshua.

After the death of Moses the servant of the Lord, the Lord spoke to Joshua son of Nun, Moses' assistant, saying, 'My servant Moses is dead. Now proceed to cross the Jordan, you and all this people, into the land that I am giving to them, to the Israelites. Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given to you, as I promised to Moses. From the wilderness and the Lebanon as far as the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, to the Great Sea in the west shall be your territory. No one shall be able to stand against you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will not fail you or forsake you. Be strong and courageous; for you shall put this people in possession of the land that I swore to their ancestors to give them. Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to act in accordance with all the law that my servant

Moses commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, so that you may be successful wherever you go. This book of the law shall not depart out of your mouth; you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to act in accordance with all that is written in it. For then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall be successful. I hereby command you: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.'

Here ends the First Lesson.

JOSHUA 1.1-9

*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 G, Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

*Please sit.*

## Second Lesson

The Second Lesson is from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Let every person be subject to the governing authorities; for there is no authority except from God, and those authorities that exist have been instituted by God. Therefore whoever resists authority resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgement. For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Do you wish to have no fear of the authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive its approval; for it is God's servant for your good. But if you do what is wrong, you should be afraid, for the authority does not bear the sword in vain! It is the servant of God to execute wrath on the wrongdoer. Therefore one must be subject, not only because of wrath but also because of conscience. For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, busy with this very thing. Pay to all what is due to them—taxes to whom taxes are due, revenue to whom revenue is due, respect to whom respect is due, honour to whom honour is due.

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Here ends the Second Lesson.

ROMANS 13.1-10

*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 G, Herbert Howells

*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;  
Who putteth her trust in thee.

Send her help from thy holy place.  
And evermore mightily defend her.

Be unto her, O Lord, a strong tower;  
From the face of her enemies.

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

O Lord, we beseech thee to keep thy Church and household continually in thy true religion; that they who do lean only upon the hope of thy heavenly grace may evermore be defended by thy mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O God, who providest for thy people by thy power, and rulest over them in love: Vouchsafe so to bless thy Servant our Queen, that under her this nation may be wisely governed, and thy Church may serve thee in all godly quietness; and grant that she being devoted to thee with her whole heart, and persevering in good works unto the end, may, by thy guidance, come to thine everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. 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* Francis Jackson

*Please sit.*

## Anthem

I was glad when they said unto me: we will go into the house of the Lord.  
Our feet shall stand in thy gates: O Jerusalem.  
Jerusalem is builded as a city: that is at unity in itself.  
O pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee.  
Peace be within thy walls: and plenteousness within thy palaces.

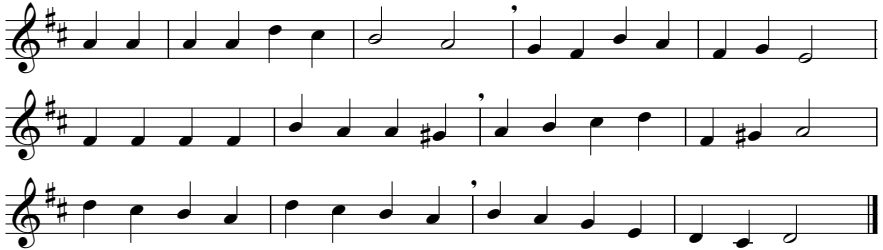
*Words* Psalm 122. 1–3, 6, 7 ♦ *Music* Hubert Parry (1848–1918)

# Sermon

The Revd Dr Victoria Johnson, Canon Precentor

*Please stand.*

## Hymn



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| 1. Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven;<br>to his feet thy tribute bring.<br>Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,<br>who like me his praise should sing?<br>Praise him! Praise him!<br>Praise the everlasting King. | 3. Father-like, he tends and spares us;<br>well our feeble frame he knows;<br>in his hands he gently bears us,<br>rescues us from all our foes.<br>Praise him! Praise him!<br>Widely as his mercy flows. |
| 2. Praise him for his grace and favour<br>to our fathers in distress;<br>praise him still the same for ever,<br>slow to chide, and swift to bless.<br>Praise him! Praise him!<br>Glorious in his faithfulness.       | 4. Angels, help us to adore him;<br>ye behold him face to face;<br>sun and moon, bow down before him;<br>dwellers all in time and space.<br>Praise him! Praise him!<br>Praise with us the God of grace.  |

*Words* Henry Francis Lyte (1793–1847)

*Tune* PRAISE, MY SOUL, NEH 436, John Goss (1800–80)

*Please remain standing.*

## The Blessing

## National Anthem



God save our gracious Queen,  
long live our noble Queen,  
    God save the Queen!  
Send her victorious,  
happy and glorious,  
long to reign over us,  
    God save the Queen!

*Words* Anonymous and W E Hickson (1803–70)

*Tune* National Anthem, NEH 489, Thomas Arne (1710–78)

## Voluntary

Orb and Sceptre

William Walton