

# **CHORAL EVENSONG**

# ON THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

with the Installation of the Surveyor of the Fabric, an Honorary Minor Canon and a Cathedral Reader

Sunday 26 September 2021 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.

#### Introit

#### **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* Philip Moore (b. 1943)

Please sit for the Installations and Presentation.

#### The Installations

The Presenting Canons say:

Mr Dean, we present to you Oliver Caroe, Surveyor of the Fabric, Catherine Reid, University Chaplain and Honorary Minor Canon and Peter Collier, Chancellor of the Diocese of York and Cathedral Reader, to be installed by you into the stalls assigned to their offices.

Placing the Surveyor of the Fabric in his stall, the Dean says:

In the name of God, Amen.

I, Jonathan Frost, Dean, install you, Oliver, into the stall of assigned to your office as Surveyor of the Fabric.

Placing the Honorary Minor Canon in her stall, the Dean says:

I, Jonathan Frost, Dean, install you, Catherine, into the stall of assigned to your office as Honorary Minor Canon.

Placing the Cathedral Reader in his stall, the Dean says:

I, Jonathan Frost, Dean, install you, Peter, into the stall of assigned to your office as Cathedral Reader.

The Lord give each of you wisdom, fidelity, courtesy and love in your heart and in your deeds. **Amen.** 

A Canon says:

Let us pray.

We pray for this Cathedral, and for Oliver, Catherine and Peter as they join us in their new roles, that all who share the responsibility and the privileges of the stewardship of this Minster, the offering of its worship, and the furtherance of its mission, may work together as a sign of the kingdom of God and a witness to the world.

This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### The Dean says:

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, rest upon you and remain with you always.

Amen.

# Presentation to James Digger, Stonemason

After the presentation, the choir sings the psalm. Please remain seated for the singing of the psalm but stand for the final Gloria.

#### **Psalm**

The Lord is my shepherd ♦ therefore can I lack nothing.

He shall feed me in a green pasture • and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

He shall convert my soul ♦ and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.

Yea, thou I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil ◆ for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me ♦ thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life • and I will dwell in the house of the Lord 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.

PSALM 23

#### First Lesson

The First Lesson is from the Book Exodus.

Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Come up to the Lord, you and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel, and worship at a distance. Moses alone shall come near the Lord; but the others shall not come near, and the people shall not come up with him.'

Moses came and told the people all the words of the Lord and all the ordinances; and all the people answered with one voice, and said, 'All the words that the Lord has spoken we will do.' And Moses wrote down all the words of the Lord. He rose early in the morning, and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and set up twelve pillars, corresponding to the twelve tribes of Israel. He sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt-offerings and sacrificed oxen as offerings of well-being to the Lord. Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he dashed against the altar. Then he took the book of the covenant, and read it in the hearing of the people; and they said, 'All that the Lord has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient.' Moses took the blood and dashed it on the people, and said, 'See the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you in accordance with all these words.'

Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, and they saw the God of Israel. Under his feet there was something like a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. God did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; also they beheld God, and they ate and drank.

The Lord said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.'

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.'

Here ends the First Lesson.

Exodus 24

### 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

#### Second Lesson

The Second Lesson is from the Gospel of Matthew.

And after getting into a boat Jesus crossed the water and came to his own town.

And just then some people were carrying a paralysed man lying on a bed. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, 'Take heart, son; your sins are forgiven.' Then some of the scribes said to themselves, 'This man is blaspheming.' But Jesus, perceiving their thoughts, said, 'Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say, "Your sins are forgiven", or to say, "Stand up and walk"? But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins'—he then said to the paralytic—'Stand up, take your bed and go to your home.' And he stood up and went to his home. When the crowds saw it, they were filled with awe, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to human beings.

Here ends the second lesson.

MATTHEW 9.1-8

#### **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

# 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.

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

Lord, we pray thee that thy grace may always prevent and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; 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 Philip Moore

### **Anthem**

#### Sermon

The Revd Michael Smith, Canon Pastor

### Hymn



God of mercy, God of grace, show the brightness of thy face; shine upon us, Saviour, shine, fill thy Church with light divine; and thy saving health extend unto earth's remotest end.

Let the people praise thee, Lord; be by all that live adored; let the nations shout and sing glory to their Saviour King; at thy feet their tribute pay, and thy holy will obey.

Let the people praise thee, Lord; earth shall then her fruits afford; God to man his blessing give, man to God devoted live; all below, and all above, one in joy and light and love.

Words Henry Francis Lyte (1793–1847)
Tune HEATHLANDS, CP 449, Henry Smart (1813–79)

# The Blessing

# Voluntary

Prelude in B minor, BWV 544

J S Bach

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