



EVENSONG  
ON  
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

SUNDAY 8 NOVEMBER 2020

## Welcome

A warm welcome to York Minster and to this online expression 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 our service, on this Remembrance Sunday, comes from St John's Chapel in York Minster, our Memorial Chapel to the Armed forces, and our service is led by the Reverend David Barrett, Assistant Chaplain General to the 1st (United Kingdom) Division, and the Revd Richard Hall, Chaplain to the 2nd Signals Regiment, both based at Imphal Barracks in York.

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. We remember with thanksgiving those who gave their lives in the service of peace during the first and second world wars and in conflicts since.

We now keep a moment of silence to rest in God's presence before the service begins.

## Order of Service

*A bell is rung and this prayer is sung:*

Peace be to this house ♦ And to all that dwell in it.

This is the day which the Lord hath made ♦ We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Let us pray.

O Lord, our God, who knowest all hearts, be merciful to us sinners and graciously assist us in our ministry before thee, that so we may offer a service and sacrifice well-pleasing in thy sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

This is none other than the house of God ♦ This is the gate of heaven.

### 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.**

### Psalm 121

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.

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.**

## First Lesson

Micah 4.1–5

In days to come

the mountain of the Lord's house  
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,  
and shall be raised up above the hills.

Peoples shall stream to it,

and many nations shall come and say:  
'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,  
to the house of the God of Jacob;  
that he may teach us his ways  
and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,  
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

He shall judge between many peoples,  
and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away;  
they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,  
and their spears into pruning-hooks;  
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,  
neither shall they learn war any more;  
but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees,  
and no one shall make them afraid;  
for the mouth of the Lord of hosts has spoken.

For all the peoples walk,  
each in the name of its god,  
but we will walk in the name of the Lord our God  
for ever and ever.

## 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 (*In memoriam Lionel Dakers*), Richard Shephard (*b.* 1949)

## Second Lesson

John 15. 9–17

Jesus said: ‘As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

‘This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

## 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* PLAINCHANT

## 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, Responses and Collects

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.

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in thy beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**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.**

## **Anthem**

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 122.6–7 ♦ *Music* Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

## **Prayers**

## **Voluntary**

Wenn wir in höchsten Nöten sein, BWV 641

J S Bach

*played by Benjamin Morris*