

Choral Evensong

Celebrating Our Deaneries

Deanery of
Salford & Leigh



Sunday 19 June 2022
5.30pm

Welcome to Manchester Cathedral

Welcome to Evensong at the Cathedral and Collegiate Church of St Mary, St Denys and St George in the heart of the City of Manchester. The building is the old mediaeval parish Church of Manchester. King Henry V first granted it Collegiate status in 1421 and it became Manchester's Cathedral on the creation of the Diocese of Manchester in 1847. It is believed that there has been a church on or near this site for over a thousand years.

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Officiant

The Ven David Sharples

Preacher

The Rev'd Colin Pearson

Musicians

The Cathedral Voluntary Choir is conducted by Geoffrey Woollatt, Sub-Organist
The organ is played by Alexander Wilton, Sydney Nicholson Organ Scholar.

Large-print copies of this booklet are also available.

Music before the service

Siciliano

John Stanley (1712-86)

Hymn

Immortal love for ever full,
For ever flowing free,
For ever shared, for ever whole,
A never-ebbing sea!

Our outward lips confess the name,
All other names above;
Love only knoweth whence it came
And comprehendeth love.

We may not climb the heavenly steps
To bring the Lord Christ down;
In vain we search the lowest deeps,
For him no depths can drown;

But warm, sweet, tender, even yet
A present help is he;
And faith has still its Olivet,
And love its Galilee.

The healing of his seamless dress
Is by our beds of pain;
We touch him in life's throng and press,
And we are whole again.

Through him the first fond prayers are said
Our lips of childhood frame;
The last low whispers of our dead
Are burdened with his name.

Alone, O Love ineffable,
Thy saving name is given;
To turn aside from thee is hell,
To walk with thee is heaven.

Bishopthorpe (St Paul's) NEH 378
Jeremiah Clarke (c1673-1707)

John Whittier (1807-92)

Preces

sung by the Choir

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.

Geoffrey Woollatt (b 1990)

The Ven David Sharples, Archdeacon of Rochdale welcomes the congregation, and introduces the Psalm

The congregation sits

Psalm 57

sung by the Choir
Chants by James Turle (1802-82)
Joseph Barnby (1838-96)
John Jones (1728-96)

Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me, for my
soul trusteth in thee: and under the shadow of thy wings
shall be my refuge, until this tyranny be over-past.

I will call unto the most high God: even unto the God that
shall perform the cause which I have in hand.

He shall send from heaven: and save me from the reproof of
him that would eat me up.

God shall send forth his mercy and truth: my soul is among
lions.

And I lie even among the children of men, that are set on
fire: whose teeth are spears and arrows, and their tongue
a sharp sword

Set up thyself, O God, above the heavens: and thy glory
above all the earth.

They have laid a net for my feet, and pressed down my soul:
they have digged a pit before me, and are fallen into the
midst of it themselves.

My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed: I will sing, and
give praise.

Awake up, my glory; awake, lute and harp: I myself will awake
right early.

I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the people: and I
will sing unto thee among the nations.

For the greatness of thy mercy reacheth unto the heavens:
and thy truth unto the clouds.

Set up thyself, O God, above the heavens: and thy glory
above all the earth.

All 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.

All sit

First Lesson

Genesis 24. 1-27
read by Tony Wood

The First Lesson is written in the twenty fourth chapter of the Book of Genesis, beginning to read at the first verse.

Now Abraham was old, advanced in years, and the Lord had blessed Abraham in all things. Abraham said to his servant, the oldest of his house, who had charge of all that he had, "Put your hand under my thigh, and I will make you swear by the Lord, the God of heaven and earth, that you will not get a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I live, but will go to my country and to my kindred and get a wife for my son Isaac." The servant said to him, "Perhaps the woman may not be willing to follow me to this land; must I then take your son back to the land from which you came?" Abraham said to him, "See to it that you do not take my son back there. The Lord, the God of heaven, who took me from my father's house and from the land of my birth and who spoke to me and swore to me, 'To your offspring I will give this land,' he will send his angel before you, and you shall take a wife for my son from there. But if the woman is not willing to follow you, then you will be free from this oath of mine; only you must not take my son back there." So the servant put his hand under the thigh of Abraham his master and swore to him concerning this matter.

Then the servant took ten of his master's camels and departed, taking all kinds of choice gifts from his master, and he set out and went to Aram-naharaim, to the city of Nahor. He made the camels kneel down outside the city by the well of water; it was toward evening, the time when women go out to draw water. And he said, "O Lord, God of my master Abraham, please grant me success today and show steadfast love to my master Abraham. I am standing here by the spring of water, and the daughters of the townspeople are coming out to draw water. Let the young woman to whom I shall say, 'Please offer your jar that I may drink,' and who shall say, 'Drink, and I will water your camels'—let her be the one whom you have appointed for your servant Isaac. By this I shall know that you have shown steadfast love to my master."

Before he had finished speaking, there was Rebekah, who was born to Bethuel son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, coming out with her water jar on her shoulder. The young woman was very fair to look upon, a virgin, whom no man had known. She went down to the spring, filled her jar, and came up.

Then the servant ran to meet her and said, "Please let me sip a little water from your jar." "Drink, my lord," she said and quickly lowered her jar upon her hand and gave him a drink. When she had finished giving him a drink, she said, "I will draw for your camels also, until they have finished drinking." So she quickly emptied her jar into the trough and ran again to the well to draw, and she drew for all his camels. The man gazed at her in silence to learn whether or not the Lord had made his journey successful.

When the camels had finished drinking, the man took a gold nose ring weighing a half shekel and two bracelets for her arms weighing ten gold shekels and said, "Tell me whose daughter you are. Is there room in your father's house for us to spend the night?" She said to him, "I am the daughter of Bethuel son of Milcah, whom she bore to Nahor." She added, "We have plenty of straw and fodder and a place to spend the night." The man bowed his head and worshiped the Lord and said, "Blessed be the Lord, the God of my master Abraham, who has not forsaken his steadfast love and his faithfulness toward my master. As for me, the Lord has led me on the way to the house of my master's kin."

At the end

Here ends the first lesson.

The lesson is followed by a moment of silence for prayerful reflection

All stand with the Choir

Magnificat

sung by the Choir

Magnificat, anima mea, Dominum
et exultavit spiritus meus in Deo, salutari meo.
Quia respexit humilitatem ancillæ suæ:
ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent omnes generationes.
Quia fecit mihi magna, qui potens est,
et sanctum nomen eius,
et misericordia eius a progenie in progenies timentibus eum.
Fecit potentiam in brachio suo,
dispersit superbos mente cordis sui.
Deposuit potentes de sede et exultavit humiles;
esurientes implevit bonis et divites dimisit inanes.
Suscepit Israel puerum suum recordatus misericordiæ suæ,
sicut locutus est ad patres nostros, Abraham et semini
eius in sæcula.

Gloria Patri, et Filio,
et Spiritui Sancto:
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper,
et in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

*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.*

*Magnificat sexti toni
Orazio Vecchi (1550-1605)*

All sit

Second Lesson

Mark 5. 21-end
read by The Rev'd Colin Pearson

The Second Lesson is written in the fifth chapter of the Gospel according to Mark, beginning to read at verse twenty one.

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him, and he was by the sea.

Then one of the leaders of the synagogue, named Jairus, came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him repeatedly, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live.” So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians and had spent all that she had, and she was no better but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, “If I but touch his cloak, I will be made well.” Immediately her flow of blood stopped, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched my cloak?” And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, ‘Who touched me?’ ” He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”

While he was still speaking, some people came from the synagogue leader’s house to say, “Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?” But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the synagogue leader, “Do not be afraid; only believe.” He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the synagogue leader’s house, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, “Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside and took the child’s father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was. Taking her by the hand, he said to her, “Talitha koum,” which means, “Little girl, get up!” And immediately the girl stood up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this and told them to give her something to eat.

At the end

Here ends the second lesson.

The lesson is followed by a moment of silence for prayerful reflection

All stand with the Choir

Nunc Dimittis

sung by the Choir

Nunc dimittis servum tuum, Domine,
secundum verbum tuum in pace:
Quia viderunt oculi mei salutare tuum
Quod parasti ante faciem omnium populorum:
Lumen ad revelationem gentium,
et gloriam plebis tuae Israel.

Gloria Patri, et Filio,
et Spiritui Sancto:
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper,
et in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

*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.*

Nunc Dimittis tertii toni

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-94)

The Apostles' Creed

All **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.**

Lesser Litany, Lord's Prayer, Responses and Collects

sung by the Choir

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.
Let us pray.

All sit

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.

○ Lord, show thy mercy upon us.
And grant us thy salvation.

○ 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.

Collect for the First Sunday after Trinity

O God, the strength of all them that put their trust in thee, mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without thee, grant us the help of thy grace, that in keeping of thy commandments we may please thee, both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Collect for Peace

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.*

Collect for Aid against all Perils

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

sung by the Choir

Te lucis ante terminum,
Rerum Creator, poscimus,
Ut pro tua clementia,
Sis praesul et custodia.

Procul recedant somnia,
Et noctium phantasmata:
Hostemque nostrum comprime,
Ne pollutur corpora.

Praesta, Pater piissime,
Patrique compar Unice,
Cum Spiritu Paraclito,
Regnans per omne saeculum. Amen.

*Before the ending of the day,
Creator of the world, we pray,
that with thy wonted favour thou
wouldst be our guard and keeper now.*

*From all ill dreams defend our eyes,
from nightly fears and fantasies;
tread under foot our ghostly foe,
that no pollution we may know.*

*O Father, that we ask be done,
through Jesus Christ thine only Son,
who, with the Holy Ghost and thee,
doth live and reign eternally. Amen.*

Thomas Tallis (1505-85)

Latin, tr J M Neale (1818-66)

Sermon

The Rev'd Colin Pearson

Hymn

Round me falls the night;
Saviour, be my light:
Through the hours in darkness shrouded
Let me see thy face unclouded:
Let thy glory shine
In this heart of mine.

Earthly work is done,
Earthly sounds are none;
Rest in sleep and silence seeking,
Let me hear thee softly speaking;
In my spirit's ear
Whisper, 'I am near.'

Blessèd, heavenly light,
Shining through earth's night;
Voice, that oft of love hast told me;
Arms, so strong to clasp and hold me;
Thou thy watch wilt keep,
Saviour, o'er my sleep.

Arnstadt (Seelenbräutigam) NEH 249
Melody contributed to
Geistliches Gesangbuch Darmstadt 1698 by
A Drese (1620-1710)

William Romanis (1824-99)

All sit

The Prayers

led by Richard Lewis
Lay Chair

The prayers conclude with the following

All **The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all evermore.
Amen.**

All stand

Hymn

O Strength and Stay upholding all creation,
Who ever dost thyself unmoved abide,
Yet day by day the light in due gradation
From hour to hour through all its changes guide;

Grant to life's day a calm unclouded ending,
An eve untouched by shadows of decay,
The brightness of a holy death-bed blending
With dawning glories of the eternal day.

Hear us, O Father, gracious and forgiving,
Through Jesus Christ thy co-eternal Word,
Who, with the Holy Ghost, by all things living
Now and to endless ages art adored.

Strength and Stay NEH 248
J B Dykes (1823-76)

Latin, St Ambrose (340-397)
Tr J Ellerton (1826-93)
and F J A Hort (1828-92)

All remain standing

The Blessing

The love of the Lord Jesus draw you to himself,
the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen you in his service,
the joy of the Lord Jesus fill your hearts;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

Music after the service

Prelude and Fugue in A minor, BWV 559

J S Bach (1685-1750)

Please take this order of service away with you to reflect upon the readings, music and prayers, and as a reminder of your visit this evening.

