

# Choral Evensong

with the Installation  
of Honorary Canons  
and the Licensing  
of a Minor Canon

Sunday 19th November 2023  
5.30 pm

## **Welcome**

Welcome to Manchester Cathedral for this special Choral Evensong with the Installation of Honorary Canons, an Ecumenical Canon and the Ven Rachel Mann as a Supernumerary Canon.

Before the Diocese of Manchester was founded in 1847, the Cathedral was the Parish Church of Manchester with Collegiate status conferred in 1421 by Henry V. Having been dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary for around four hundred years before then, the Collegiate Church was additionally dedicated to the patron saints of France and England, St Denys and St George. The new Foundation thus celebrated the ending of the Hundred Years' War and the uniting of the two kingdoms.

Honorary Canons, are members of the clergy and laity whose service to the diocese it is desired to honour. They will become members of the Greater Chapter which meets to discuss and advise upon matters connected to the Cathedral. More widely, the honorary canons seek to contribute to the corporate life of the Cathedral and to promote its mission and service in the diocese and city. The Cathedral's statutes also provide for Minor Canons who will be clergy serving in parishes or chaplaincies but who also take a part in the Cathedral's liturgical life.

*During the service today the following are to be installed*

### **Honorary Canons**

**The Rev'd Paul Hutchins**

*Rector of the Church of the Holy Family, Failsworth & Most Holy Trinity Blackley  
& St Luke's Lightbowne, Failsworth*

**The Rev'd Ellie Trimble**

*Rector of the Church of the Apostles Manchester  
with St Cuthbert's Miles Platting*

### **Minor Canon**

**The Rev'd Amy-Elizabeth Sheridan**

*Vicar of St Hilda's and St Stephen's Audenshaw*

## **Live streaming**

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## **Have you turned off your mobile phone?**

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## **Ministers Leading the Service**

The service is conducted by the Very Revd Rogers Govender, Dean, who also installs the new Canons.

The Rt Revd Dr David Walker, Bishop of Manchester, collates the new Canons and licensing and gives the blessing.

The Revd Grace Thomas, Cathedral Missioner is the Preacher.

The Ven David Sharples, Archdeacon of Rochdale, says the Prayers of Intercession.

## **Musicians**

The Manchester Cathedral Voluntary Choir is directed by Geoffrey Woollatt, Sub-Organist. The organ is played by Christopher Stokes, Organist and Master of the Choristers.

## **Music Before the Service**

Fantasia in four parts

*Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)*

# Order of Service

*Please stand as the ministers enter. The service begins with the opening hymn*

## Hymn

O worship the King all glorious above;  
O gratefully sing his power and his love;  
our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,  
pavilioned in splendour and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,  
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;  
his chariots of wrath the deep thunder clouds form,  
and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

The earth with its store of wonders untold,  
Almighty, thy power hath founded of old;  
hath 'stablished it fast by a changeless decree,  
and round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;  
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
and sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust and feeble as frail,  
in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;  
thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end!  
Our maker, defender, Redeemer, and friend.

O measureless might, ineffable love,  
while angels delight to hymn thee above,  
thy humbler creation, though feeble their lays,  
with true adoration shall sing to thy praise.

*Hanover* NEH 433  
Melody & bass by William Croft (1678-1727)

Robert Grant (1779-1838)  
cf Psalm 104

*Please remain standing*

## The Welcome

*The congregation is welcomed by the Dean.*

## The Presentation

*The Bishop greets the congregation*

Bishop      Grace, mercy and peace  
                 from God our Father  
                 and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all,  
All            **and also with you.**

*The congregation sits. The Bishop introduces the service.*

*A verger leads the Honorary Canons-designate to the Bishop, accompanied by the Ven David Sharples, Sub-Dean.*

Sub            Right Reverend Father in God, I present to you  
Dean          the Revd Paul Hutchins and the Revd Eleanor Trimble  
                 to be admitted and installed as Honorary Canons.

Bishop      Thank you for your presentations.

## The Collation

*The new Canons stand before the Bishop who reads the Deeds of Collation and then prays for them*

Bishop      Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
                 who inspires men and women in the service of your Church;  
                 give to these your servants grace and power  
                 to serve you faithfully on the Greater Chapter  
   of this Cathedral Church,  
                 that your kingdom may be advanced  
                 and your love may be proclaimed,  
                 in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
All            **Amen.**

*The Bishop then invites the Dean to proceed with the Installations.*

*The congregation remains seated as the Chapter of Manchester Cathedral and new Canons move into the Quire.*

*The new canons stand in their assigned stalls.*

## **The Installation of Honorary Canons**

Sub Dean            Mr Dean, on behalf of the Chapter, I, David Sharples, Canon Residentiary of this Cathedral Church, present to you these candidates to be installed as as Honorary Canons of this Cathedral Church of St Mary, St Denys and St George in Manchester.

*The Dean installs the new canons and says*

Dean                In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, following the lawful mandate of the Bishop of this Diocese, and with the assent of the Chapter of this Cathedral, I, Rogers Morgan Govender, Dean of this Cathedral Church, assign you, the Revd Paul Hutchins and the Revd Eleanor Trimble a stall in this Quire.

I induct you into the possession of an Honorary Canonry in this Cathedral Church.

*The Dean prays for the newly-installed Canons*

Dean                The Lord preserve your going out and your coming in from this time forth and evermore.  
May God the Father enlighten you with the radiance of his truth.  
May the good Spirit of God fill you with reverence, strength and tranquility.  
May our Lord Jesus, who walks with his disciples, be the guide of your journey, both now and for ever.

All                  **Amen.**

*The congregation stands as the Cathedral Chapter and newly installed Canons return to the Nave.*

## The Licensing of a Minor Canon

*A verger leads the Minor Canon-designate to the Bishop, accompanied by the Dean.*

Dean           Right Reverend Father in God, I present to you  
                  the Revd Amy-Elizabeth Sheridan  
                  to be licensed as Minor Canon of this Cathedral Church.

Bishop        I thank you for your presentation.

*The Bishop proceeds with the licensing.*

*The new Minor Canon kneels before the Bishop, who prays for her*

Bishop        Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
                  who inspires men and women in the service of your Church;  
                  give to this your servant grace and power  
                  to serve you faithfully as a Minor Canon  
                  of this Cathedral Church,  
                  that your kingdom may be advanced  
                  and your love may be proclaimed,  
                  in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All            **Amen.**

*The ministers return to their places.*

## The Preces

The Choir  
*Roger Wilkes*

Cantor       O Lord, open thou our lips.  
Choir        **And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.**

Cantor       O God, make speed to save us.  
Choir        **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Cantor       Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
Choir        **As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
                  world without end. Amen.**

Cantor       Praise ye the Lord.  
Choir        **The Lord's Name be praised.**

*Please sit*

**Psalm 89. 19-29**

The Choir

For the Lord is our defence:  
the Holy One of Israel is our King.

Thou spakest sometime in visions unto thy saints, and saidst:  
I have laid help upon one that is mighty; I have exalted one  
chosen out of the people.

I have found David my servant:  
with my holy oil have I anointed him.

My hand shall hold him fast:  
and my arm shall strengthen him.

The enemy shall not be able to do him violence:  
the son of wickedness shall not hurt him.

I will smite down his foes before his face:  
and plague them that hate him.

My truth also and my mercy shall be with him:  
and in my Name shall his horn be exalted.

I will set his dominion also in the sea:  
and his right hand in the floods.

He shall call me, Thou art my Father:  
my God, and my strong salvation.

And I will make him my first-born:  
higher than the kings of the earth.

My mercy will I keep for him for evermore:  
and my covenant shall stand fast with him.

*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.

*Percy Buck (1871-1947)*

*Please sit*



Reader     A reading from the First Book of the Kings:

Bathsheba went to the king in his room. The king was very old; Abishag the Shunammite was attending the king. Bathsheba bowed and did obeisance to the king, and the king said, 'What do you wish?' She said to him, 'My lord, you swore to your servant by the Lord your God, saying: Your son Solomon shall succeed me as king, and he shall sit on my throne. But now suddenly Adonijah has become king, though you, my lord the king, do not know it. He has sacrificed oxen, fatted cattle, and sheep in abundance, and has invited all the children of the king, the priest Abiathar, and Joab the commander of the army; but your servant Solomon he has not invited. But you, my lord the king—the eyes of all Israel are on you to tell them who shall sit on the throne of my lord the king after him. Otherwise it will come to pass, when my lord the king sleeps with his ancestors, that my son Solomon and I will be counted offenders.'

While she was still speaking with the king, the prophet Nathan came in. The king was told, 'Here is the prophet Nathan.' When he came in before the king, he did obeisance to the king, with his face to the ground. Nathan said, 'My lord the king, have you said, "Adonijah shall succeed me as king, and he shall sit on my throne"? For today he has gone down and has sacrificed oxen, fatted cattle, and sheep in abundance, and has invited all the king's children, Joab the commander of the army, and the priest Abiathar, who are now eating and drinking before him, and saying, "Long live King Adonijah!" But he did not invite me, your servant, and the priest Zadok, and Benaiah son of Jehoiada, and your servant Solomon. Has this thing been brought about by my lord the king and you have not let your servants know who should sit on the throne of my lord the king after him?'

King David answered, 'Summon Bathsheba to me.' So she came into the king's presence, and stood before the king. The king swore, saying, 'As the Lord lives, who has saved my life from every adversity, as I swore to you by the Lord, the God of Israel, "Your son Solomon shall succeed me as king, and he shall sit on my throne in my place", so will I do this day.' Then

Bathsheba bowed with her face to the ground, and did obeisance to the king, and said, 'May my lord King David live for ever!' King David said, 'Summon to me the priest Zadok, the prophet Nathan, and Benaiah son of Jehoiada.' When they came before the king, the king said to them, 'Take with you the servants of your lord, and have my son Solomon ride on my own mule, and bring him down to Gihon. There let the priest Zadok and the prophet Nathan anoint him king over Israel; then blow the trumpet, and say, "Long live King Solomon!" You shall go up following him. Let him enter and sit on my throne; he shall be king in my place; for I have appointed him to be ruler over Israel and over Judah.' Benaiah son of Jehoiada answered the king, 'Amen! May the Lord, the God of my lord the king, so ordain. As the Lord has been with my lord the king, so may he be with Solomon, and make his throne greater than the throne of my lord King David.'

So the priest Zadok, the prophet Nathan, and Benaiah son of Jehoiada, and the Cherethites and the Pelethites, went down and had Solomon ride on King David's mule, and led him to Gihon. There the priest Zadok took the horn of oil from the tent and anointed Solomon. Then they blew the trumpet, and all the people said, 'Long live King Solomon!' And all the people went up following him, playing on pipes and rejoicing with great joy, so that the earth quaked at their noise.

Here ends the Lesson.

*Please stand*

## **Magnificat**

The Choir

*Service in C, Maurice Greene (1696-1755)*

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.

*Please sit*

## **New Testament Lesson**

Revelation 1.4-18

Reader     A reading from the Revelation to John:

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

I, John, your brother who share with you in Jesus the persecution and the kingdom and the patient endurance, was on the island called Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. I was in the spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet saying, 'Write in a book what you see and send it to the seven churches, to

Ephesus, to Smyrna, to Pergamum, to Thyatira, to Sardis, to Philadelphia, and to Laodicea.'

Then I turned to see whose voice it was that spoke to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, and in the midst of the lampstands I saw one like the Son of Man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash across his chest. His head and his hair were white as white wool, white as snow; his eyes were like a flame of fire, his feet were like burnished bronze, refined as in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of many waters. In his right hand he held seven stars, and from his mouth came a sharp, two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining with full force. When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he placed his right hand on me, saying, 'Do not be afraid; I am the first and the last, and the living one. I was dead, and see, I am alive for ever and ever; and I have the keys of Death and of Hades. Now write what you have seen, what is, and what is to take place after this. As for the mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

Here ends the Lesson.

*Please stand*

**Nunc Dimittis**

The Choir

*Service in C, Maurice Greene (1696-1755)*

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.

*Remain standing, facing East*

## 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 Catholick Church;**  
                  **the Communion of Saints;**  
                  **the forgiveness of sins;**  
                  **the Resurrection of the body,**  
                  **and the life everlasting.**  
                  **Amen.**

## Lesser Litany and the Lord's Prayer

The Choir  
*Roger Wilkes*

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

*Please sit or kneel*

Cantor      Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Choir        **Christ, have mercy upon us.**  
Cantor      Lord, have mercy upon us.

Choir      **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.**

### **The Responses**

Cantor      O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

Choir      **And grant us thy salvation.**

Cantor      O Lord, save the King.

Choir      **And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**

Cantor      Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

Choir      **And make thy chosen people joyful.**

Cantor      O Lord, save thy people.

Choir      **And bless thine inheritance.**

Cantor      Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Choir      **Because there is none other that fighteth for us,  
but only thou, O God.**

Cantor      O God, make clean our hearts within us.

Choir      **And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

### **The Collects**

#### ***for the second Sunday before Advent***

Cantor      O Lord, we beseech thee, absolve thy people from their offences; that through thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour.

Choir      **Amen.**

**for Peace**

Cantor     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.

Choir       **Amen.**

**for Aid against all Perils**

Cantor     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.

Choir       **Amen.**

*Please remain seated*

**Anthem**

The Choir

O clap your hands together, all ye people: O sing unto God  
with the voice of melody. For the Lord is high, and to be  
feared: he is the great King upon all the earth.  
He shall subdue the people under us: and the nations under  
our feet. He shall choose out an heritage for us: even the  
worship of Jacob, whom he loved.  
God is gone up with a merry noise: and the Lord with the  
sound of the trumpet. O sing praises, sing praises unto our God:  
O sing praises, sing praises unto our King. For God is the King  
of all the earth: sing ye praises with understanding.  
God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon his holy seat.  
For God, which is very high exalted, doth defend the earth, as  
it were with a shield.

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.

## Sermon

The Revd Grace Thomas

*A period of reflection is held after the Sermon.*

*Please stand*

## Hymn

Sun of my soul, thou Saviour dear,  
it is not night if thou be near;  
O may no earth-born cloud arise,  
to hide thee from thy servant's eyes.

When the soft dews of kindly sleep  
my weary eyelids gently steep,  
be my last thought how sweet to rest  
forever on my Saviour's breast.

Abide with me from morn till eve,  
for without thee I cannot live;  
abide with me when night is nigh,  
for without thee I dare not die.

If some poor wand'ring child of thine  
has spurned today the voice divine,  
now, Lord, the gracious work begin;  
let him no more lie down in sin.

Watch by the sick; enrich the poor  
with blessings from thy boundless store;  
be every mourner's sleep tonight  
like infant's slumbers, pure and light.

Come near and bless us when we wake,  
ere through the world our way we take,  
till in the ocean of thy love  
we lose ourselves in heaven above.

*Abends NEH 251*  
*Herbert Oakley (1830-1903)*

*John Keble (1792-1866)*

*Please sit or kneel*



## Prayers of Intercession

The Venerable David Sharples

*Prayers of Intercession are said by the Ven David Sharples, closing with The Grace*

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.**

*Please stand for the final hymn. During the hymn a collection in support of the work of the Cathedral will be taken.*

## Hymn

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,  
and publish abroad his wonderful Name;  
the Name all-victorious of Jesus extol:  
his kingdom is glorious; and rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save;  
and still he is nigh: his presence we have.  
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,  
ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

Salvation to God who sits on the throne!  
Let all cry aloud, and honour the Son.  
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,  
fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give him his right:  
All glory and power, all wisdom and might,  
all honour and blessing, with angels above,  
and thanks never ceasing and infinite love.

*Paderborn NEH 476  
Paderborn Gesangbuch 1765*

*Charles Wesley (1707-1788)*

## **The Blessing**

Bishop      The Lord bless you and keep you,  
                 the Lord make his face to shine upon you  
                 and be gracious unto you,  
                 the Lord lift up the light of his countenance up on you,  
                 and give you peace;  
                 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**

Allegro, from Concerto in D minor

*George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)*

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

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