



DURHAM CATHEDRAL

THE SHRINE OF ST CUTHBERT

Evensong

on the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 6 September 2020

3.30 p.m.

Organ Voluntaries played by Keith Wright and James Lancelot
Canticles directed by Richard Lloyd
Psalm and Anthem directed by James Lancelot
Hymns specially recorded for this service by Daniel Cook,
Master of the Choristers and Organist, and the Choral Scholars

Voluntary Fancy for two to play

Thomas Tomkins

Welcome and Introduction

The Reverend Canon Michael Everitt

All

Almighty and most merciful Father; We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

The minister pronounces the absolution

Hymn

City of God

City of God, how broad and far
 Outspread thy walls sublime!
The true thy chartered freemen are
 Of every age and clime:

One holy Church, one army strong,
 One steadfast, high intent;
One working band, one harvest-song,
 One King omnipotent.

How purely hath thy speech come down
 From man's primaeval youth!
How grandly hath thine empire grown
 Of freedom, love, and truth!

How gleam thy watch-fires through the night
With never-fainting ray!
How rise thy towers, serene and bright,
To meet the dawning day!

In vain the surge's angry shock,
In vain the drifting sands:
Unharmed upon the eternal Rock
The eternal city stands.

Samuel Johnson

*Melody by Thomas Haweis
Harmony by S Webbe the younger*

Preces

Francis Grier

Cantor O Lord, open thou our lips.
Choir 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 146

Praise the Lord, O my soul; while I live will I praise the
Lord : yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises
unto my God.

O put not your trust in princes, nor in any child of man : for
there is no help in them.

For when the breath of man goeth forth he shall turn again
to his earth : and then all his thoughts perish.

Blessed is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help : and
whose hope is in the Lord his God;

Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein
is : who keepeth his promise for ever.

Who helpeth them to right that suffer wrong : who feedeth
the hungry.

The Lord looseth men out of prison : the Lord giveth sight
to the blind.

The Lord helpeth them that are fallen : the Lord careth for
the righteous.

The Lord careth for the strangers; he defendeth the
fatherless and widow : as for the way of the ungodly, he
turneth it upside down.

The Lord thy God, O Sion, shall be King for evermore : and
throughout all generations.

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.

The word of the LORD came to me: Mortal, what is this proverb of yours about the land of Israel, which says, 'The days are prolonged, and every vision comes to nothing'? Tell them therefore, 'Thus says the Lord God: I will put an end to this proverb, and they shall use it no more as a proverb in Israel.' But say to them, The days are near, and the fulfilment of every vision. For there shall no longer be any false vision or flattering divination within the house of Israel. But I the LORD will speak the word that I speak, and it will be fulfilled. It will no longer be delayed; but in your days, O rebellious house, I will speak the word and fulfil it, says the Lord God.

The word of the LORD came to me: Mortal, the house of Israel is saying, 'The vision that he sees is for many years ahead; he prophesies for distant times.' Therefore say to them, Thus says the Lord God: None of my words will be delayed any longer, but the word that I speak will be fulfilled, says the Lord God.

The word of the LORD came to me: Mortal, prophesy against the prophets of Israel who are prophesying; say to those who prophesy out of their own imagination: 'Hear the word of the LORD!' Thus says the Lord God, Alas for the senseless prophets who follow their own spirit, and have seen nothing! Your prophets have been like jackals among ruins, O Israel. You have not gone up into the breaches, or repaired a wall for the house of Israel, so that it might stand in battle on the day of the LORD. They have prophesied falsehood and lying divination; they say, 'Says the LORD', when the LORD has not sent them, and yet they wait for the fulfilment of their word! Have you not seen a false vision or uttered a lying divination, when you have said, 'Says the LORD', even though I did not speak? Therefore thus says the Lord God: Because you have uttered falsehood and prophesied lies, I am against you, says the Lord God. My hand will be against the prophets who see false visions and utter lying divinations; they shall not be in the council of my people, nor be enrolled in the register of the house of Israel, nor shall they enter the land of Israel; and you shall know that I am the Lord God. Because, in truth, because they have misled my people, saying, 'Peace', when there is no peace; and because, when the people build a wall, these prophets smear whitewash on it. Say to those who smear whitewash on it that it shall fall. There will be a deluge of rain, great hailstones will fall, and a stormy wind will break out. When the wall falls, will it not be said to you, 'Where is the whitewash you smeared on it?' Therefore thus says the Lord God: In my wrath I will make a stormy

wind break out, and in my anger there shall be a deluge of rain, and hailstones in wrath to destroy it. I will break down the wall that you have smeared with whitewash, and bring it to the ground, so that its foundation will be laid bare; when it falls, you shall perish within it; and you shall know that I am the LORD. Thus I will spend my wrath upon the wall, and upon those who have smeared it with whitewash; and I will say to you, The wall is no more, nor those who smeared it— the prophets of Israel who prophesied concerning Jerusalem and saw visions of peace for it, when there was no peace, says the Lord God.

Magnificat

Henry Smart in G

My soul doth magnify the Lord :

And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded : the lowliness of his handmaiden.

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 showed 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.

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the inland regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, 'Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?' They replied, 'No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.' Then he said, 'Into what then were you baptized?' They answered, 'Into John's baptism.' Paul said, 'John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus.' On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied— altogether there were about twelve of them. He entered the synagogue and for three months spoke out boldly, and argued persuasively about the kingdom of God. When some stubbornly refused to believe and spoke evil of the Way before the congregation, he left them, taking the disciples with him, and argued daily in the lecture hall of Tyrannus. This continued for two years, so that all the residents of Asia, both Jews and Greeks, heard the word of the Lord. God did extraordinary miracles through Paul, so that when the handkerchiefs or aprons that had touched his skin were brought to the sick, their diseases left them, and the evil spirits came out of them. Then some itinerant Jewish exorcists tried to use the name of the Lord Jesus over those who had evil spirits, saying, 'I adjure you by the Jesus whom Paul proclaims.' Seven sons of a Jewish high priest named Sceva were doing this. But the evil spirit said to them in reply, 'Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are you?' Then the man with the evil spirit leapt on them, mastered them all, and so overpowered them that they fled out of the house naked and wounded. When this became known to all residents of Ephesus, both Jews and Greeks, everyone was awestruck; and the name of the Lord Jesus was praised. Also many of those who became believers confessed and disclosed their practices. A number of those who practised magic collected their books and burned them publicly; when the value of these books was calculated, it was found to come to fifty thousand silver coins. So the word of the Lord grew mightily and prevailed.

Nunc Dimittis

Henry Smart in G

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.

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.**

The Lesser Litany, Responses and Collects

Francis Grier

Cantor The Lord be with you.

Choir And with thy spirit.

Cantor Let us pray.

Choir 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 Collect of the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and merciful God, of whose only gift it cometh that thy faithful people do unto thee true and laudable service: Grant, we beseech thee, that we may so faithfully serve thee in this life, that we fail not finally to attain thy heavenly promises; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Second 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.

The Third 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

Die Himmel erzählen Ehre Gottes

*The heavens declare the glory of God : and the firmament
sheweth his handywork.*

One day telleth another : and one night certifieth another.

*There is neither speech nor language : but their voices are heard
among them.*

*Their sound is gone out into all lands : and their words into
the ends of the world.*

*In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun : which cometh forth
as a bridegroom out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a giant to
run his course.*

*It goeth forth from the uttermost part of the heaven, and
runneth about unto the end of it again : and there is
nothing hid from the heat thereof.*

*The law of the Lord is an undefiled law, converting the soul : the
testimony of the Lord is sure, and giveth wisdom unto the
simple.*

*The statutes of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart : the
commandment of the Lord is pure, and giveth light unto
the eyes.*

*The fear of the Lord is clean, and endureth for ever : the
 judgements of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.
 More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold :
 sweeter also than honey, and the honey-comb.
 Moreover, by them is thy seroant taught : and in keeping of
 them there is great reward.
 Who can tell how oft he offendeth : O cleanse thou me from my
 secret faults.
 Keep thy seroant also from presumptuous sins, lest they get
 the dominion over me : so shall I be undefiled, and
 innocent from the great offence.
 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart : be
 alway acceptable in thy sight,
 O Lord : my strength, and my redeemer.
 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 19

Heinrich Schütz

Prayers and the Grace

The Reverend Canon Michael Everitt

Hymn

Praise to the Holiest

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
 And in the depth be praise,
 In all his words most wonderful,
 Most sure in all his ways.

O loving wisdom of our God!
 When all was sin and shame,
 A second Adam to the fight
 And to the rescue came.

O wisest love! that flesh and blood,
Which did in Adam fail,
Should strive afresh against their foe,
Should strive and should prevail;

And that a higher gift than grace
Should flesh and blood refine,
God's presence and his very self,
And essence all-divine.

O generous love! that he who smote
In Man for man the foe,
The double agony in Man
For man should undergo;

And in the garden secretly,
And on the cross on high,
Should teach his brethren, and inspire
To suffer and to die.

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise,
In all his words most wonderful,
Most sure in all his ways.

John Henry Newman

John Bacchus Dykes

The Blessing

The Reverend Canon Michael Everitt

May the Father from whom every family
in earth and heaven receives its name
strengthen you with his Spirit in your inner being,
so that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

The Choir sings

Amen.

Orlando Gibbons

Voluntary

Tocatta and Fugue in D minor BWV 565

Johann Sebastian Bach

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