

The Cathedral Church
of All Saints, Derby



Choral Evensong
on the First Sunday of Epiphany
Baptism of Christ
Sunday 12th January 2025 at 5.15 pm

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Choral Evensong is led by The Very Revd Dr Peter Robinson, Dean of Derby. The Cantor is The Revd Adam Dickens, Cathedral and University Chaplain.

The music for the service is sung by the Girls and Lay Clerks of the Cathedral Choir. The Responses are sung to the setting by Kenneth Leighton and the Canticles to the Gloucester Service by Herbert Howells. The Anthem is The Three Kings by Jonathan Dove.

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Introit

Sung from the Cavendish Area.

*What cheer? Good cheer!
Be merry and glad this good New Year!*

'Lift up your hearts and be glad
in Christ's birth', the angel bade,
say each to other, if any be sad:
'What cheer!'

Now the King of heav'n his birth hath take,
joy and mirth we ought to make:
say each to other, for this sake:
'What cheer?'

I tell you all with heart so free:
right welcome ye be to me;
be glad and merry for charity!
'What cheer?'

*Words: from Richard Hill's Commonplace Book (16th Century)
Music: William Walton (1902-1983)*

Stand as the procession enters the Cathedral.

Opening Responses

Sung by the Cantor and Choir

○ Lord, open thou our lips:
and our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

○ God, make speed to save us:
○ 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.

Welcome

The Very Revd Dr Peter Robinson, Dean of Derby

**Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
be all else but naught to me, save that thou art,
be thou my best thought in the day and the night,
both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.**

**Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true Word,
be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord,
be thou my great Father, thine own I would be,
be thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.**

**Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight,
be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might,
be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower,
O raise thou me heavenward, great power of my power.**

**Riches I heed not, nor earth's empty praise,
be thou my inheritance now and always,
be thou and thou only the first in my heart,
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.**

**High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun,
O grant me its joys after victory is won,
great heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.**

*Words: Irish, c.8th century,
Tr. Mary Byrne (1880-1931) & Eleanor Hull (1860-1935)
Tune: Slane (339)*

Sit.

The Psalmody

Psalms 46, 47

The choir sings

God is our hope and strength:
a very present help in trouble.
Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved:
and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea;
Though the waters thereof rage and swell:
and though the mountains shake at the tempest of the same.
The rivers of the flood thereof shall make glad the city of God:
the holy place of the tabernacle of the most Highest.

God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed:

God shall help her, and that right early.

The heathen make much ado, and the kingdoms are moved:

but God hath shewed his voice, and the earth shall melt away.

The Lord of hosts is with us:

the God of Jacob is our refuge.

O come hither, and behold the works of the Lord:

what destruction he hath brought upon the earth.

He maketh wars to cease in all the world:

he breaketh the bow, and knappeth the spear in sunder, and burneth the chariots in the fire.

Be still then, and know that I am God:

I will be exalted among the heathen, and I will be exalted in the earth.

The Lord of hosts is with us:

the God of Jacob is our refuge.

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 trump.

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.

The princes of the people are joined unto the people of the God of Abraham:

for God, which is very high exalted, doth defend the earth, as it were with a shield.

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.

Read by a Chorister.

The first lesson is taken from the book of the prophet Isaiah, chapter 55, beginning at verse 1.

The Lord says this:

Everyone who thirsts,
 come to the waters;
and you that have no money,
 come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
 without money and without price.
Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
 and your labour for that which does not satisfy?
Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
 and delight yourselves in rich food.
Incline your ear, and come to me;
 listen, so that you may live.
I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
 my steadfast, sure love for David.
See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
 a leader and commander for the peoples.
See, you shall call nations that you do not know,
 and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel,
 for he has glorified you.

Seek the Lord while he may be found,
 call upon him while he is near;
let the wicked forsake their way,
 and the unrighteous their thoughts;
let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them,
 and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.
For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
 nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord.
For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
 so are my ways higher than your ways
 and my thoughts than your thoughts.

For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven,
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

Here ends the first lesson.

Stand.

The Magnificat

The choir sings

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 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.

Sit.

The Second Lesson

Romans 6.1-11

Read by a minister.

The second lesson is taken from a letter of Paul to the Romans, chapter 6, beginning at verse 1.

What are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Here ends the second lesson.

Stand.

The Nunc Dimittis

The choir sings

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 Prayers

Sung by the Cantor and Choir.

The Lord be with you:
and with thy spirit

Kneel or sit.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

○ Lord, shew thy mercy upon us:
and grant us thy salvation.
○ Lord, save the King:
and mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
Endue thy ministers with righteousness:
and make thy chosen people joyful.
○ Lord, save thy people:
and bless thine inheritance.
Give peace in our time, ○ Lord:
because there is none other that fighteth for us,
but only thou, ○ God.
○ God, make clean our hearts within us:
and take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Collect for the First Sunday of Epiphany

Eternal Father,
who at the baptism of Jesus
didst reveal him to be thy Son,
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:
grant that we, being born again by water and the Spirit,
may be faithful to our calling as thine adopted children;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

The Collect for Peace

○ 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 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.

The Anthem

The congregation is invited to be seated as the choir sings the Anthem.

The first king was very young,
O balow, balow la lay,
with doleful ballads on his tongue,
O balow, balow la lay,
he came bearing a branch of myrrh
than which no gall is bitterer,
O balow, balow la lay,
Gifts for a baby King, O.

The second king was a man in prime,
O balow, balow la lay,
the solemn priest of a solemn time,
O balow, balow la lay,
with eyes downcast and reverent feet
he brought his incense sad and sweet,
O balow, balow la lay,
Gifts for a baby King, O.

The third king was very old,
O balow, balow la lay,
both his hands were full of gold,
O balow, balow la lay,
many a gaud and glittering toy,
baubles brave for a baby boy,
O balow, balow la lay,
Gifts for a baby King, O.

Words: Dorothy L. Sayers (1893-1957)
Music: Jonathan Dove (b.1959)

Intercessions

The prayers of intercession are led by The Revd Bob Atkins.

The prayers end with words from 2 Corinthians 13:

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.**

Stand.

Final Hymn

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**O thou who camest from above,
the pure celestial fire to impart,
kindle a flame of sacred love
on the mean altar of my heart.**

**There let it for thy glory burn
with inextinguishable blaze,
and trembling to its source return
in humble prayer, and fervent praise.**

**Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
to work, and speak, and think for thee;
still let me guard the holy fire,
and still stir up thy gift in me.**

**Ready for all thy perfect will,
my acts of faith and love repeat,
till death thy endless mercies seal,
and make my sacrifice complete.**

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Tune: Hereford (431)

The Blessing

Organ Voluntary

Épiphanie – Gaston Litaize