

The Cathedral Church
of All Saints, Derby



Choral Evensong
on the Feast of the Presentation of Christ in
the Temple
Sunday 2nd February 2025 at 5.15 pm

This service will be live streamed to the Cathedral's YouTube page (bit.ly/derbycathedral) at 17:15 on the 2nd February, and will be available thereafter.

Choral Evensong is led by The Very Revd Dr Peter Robinson, Dean of Derby. The Cantor is John Puxty, Reader.

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 Philip Moore and the Canticles to the Edington Service by Grayston Ives. The Anthem is Vast ocean of light by Jonathan Dove.

Evensong today is attended by members of the Cathedral's Music Patron Scheme, to whom the Cathedral is most grateful for their generous support. In donating to the programme, our Music Patrons help change and enrich the lives of young people in our Cathedral Choirs and those on our Music in Schools programme. If you are interested in becoming a Music Patron, there are multiple subscription levels available. See our website for more information.

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Stewards are on duty to help if you need any information or directions.

- Please switch phones to silent or off.
- **To comply with our Safeguarding and Data Protection requirements, it is not permitted to film or take photographs during any service.**
- For the loop system, turn your hearing aid to T.
- Toilets are at the west end; toilets with wheelchair access are at the east end.
- A baby changing station is available within the wheelchair access toilet at the east end.
- **In an emergency** please stay in your seat & follow directions from stewards.

A collection will be taken during the service. Alternatively, please scan the QR code below, use the contactless payment machine, or visit our donation page:

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Thank you.



Introit

Sung from the Cavendish Area.

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.*

*Words: Luke 2.29-32
 Music: Gustav Holst (1874-1934)*

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

**Sing how the age-long promise of a Saviour
spoken through lips of prophets by the Spirit,
in blessed Mary, Mother of the Christ-child,
finds its fulfilment.**

**Virgin most pure, and wondrously conceiving,
bearing incarnate God in awed obedience,
now she presents him for a spotless offering
unto his Father.**

**In God's high temple, Simeon the righteous
takes to his loving arms with holy rapture
that one for whom his longing eyes had waited,
Jesus, Messiah.**

**Where now his Mother next her son is seated
in those fair mansions of the heavenly kingdom,
may Christ our Saviour grant to us his servants
life everlasting.**

**Father eternal, Son, and Holy Spirit,
Trinity blessed, Maker and Redeemer,
giver of life, and Author of salvation,
thine be the glory.**

*Words: from 9th Century Latin
Tune: Diva Servatrix (156)*

Sit.

The Psalmody
Psalm 122, 132

The choir sings

I was glad when they said unto me:
We will go into the house of the Lord.
Our feet shall stand in thy gates:
O Jerusalem.
Jerusalem is built as a city:
that is at unity in itself.
For thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord:
to testify unto Israel, to give thanks unto the Name of the Lord.
For there is the seat of judgement:
even the seat of the house of David.

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
they shall prosper that love thee.
Peace be within thy walls:
and plenteousness within thy palaces.
For my brethren and companions' sakes:
I will wish thee prosperity.
Yea, because of the house of the Lord our God:
I will seek to do thee good.

Lord, remember David:
and all his trouble;
How he swore unto the Lord:
and vowed a vow unto the Almighty God of Jacob;
I will not come within the tabernacle of mine house:
nor climb up into my bed;
I will not suffer mine eyes to sleep, nor mine eye-lids to slumber:
neither the temples of my head to take any rest;
Until I find out a place for the temple of the Lord:
an habitation for the mighty God of Jacob.
Lo, we heard of the same at Ephrata:
and found it in the wood.
We will go into his tabernacle:
and fall low on our knees before his footstool.
Arise, O Lord, into thy resting-place:
thou, and the ark of thy strength.
Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness:
and let thy saints sing with joyfulness.
For thy servant David's sake:
turn not away the presence of thine Anointed.
The Lord hath made a faithful oath unto David:
and he shall not shrink from it;
Of the fruit of thy body:
shall I set upon thy seat.
If thy children will keep my covenant, and my testimonies that I shall
learn them:
their children also shall sit upon thy seat for evermore.
For the Lord hath chosen Sion to be an habitation for himself:
he hath longed for her.

This shall be my rest for ever:
here will I dwell, for I have a delight therein.
I will bless her victuals with increase:
and will satisfy her poor with bread.
I will deck her priests with health:
and her saints shall rejoice and sing.
There shall I make the horn of David to flourish:
I have ordained a lantern for mine Anointed.
As for his enemies, I shall clothe them with shame:
but upon himself shall his crown flourish.

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.

Sit.

The First Lesson

Haggai 2.1-9

Read by Emson Manaya.

The first lesson is taken from the book of the prophet Haggai, chapter 2, beginning at verse 1.

In the second year of King Darius, in the seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month, the word of the Lord came by the prophet Haggai, saying: Speak now to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, and say, Who is left among you that saw this house in its former glory? How does it look to you now? Is it not in your sight as nothing? Yet now take courage, O Zerubbabel, says the Lord; take courage, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; take courage, all you people of the land, says the Lord; work, for I am with you, says the Lord of hosts, according to the promise that I made you when you came out of Egypt. My spirit abides among you; do not fear. For thus says the Lord of hosts: Once again, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land; and I will shake all the nations, so that the treasure of all nations shall come, and I will fill this house with splendour, says the Lord of hosts. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the Lord of hosts. The latter splendour of this house shall be greater than the former, says the Lord of hosts; and in this place I will give prosperity, says the Lord of hosts.

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

John 2.18-22

Read by a minister.

The second lesson is taken from the gospel according to John, chapter 2, beginning at verse 18.

The Jews then said to Jesus, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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.

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 Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Almighty and ever-living God,
we humbly beseech thy majesty,
that, as thy only-begotten Son
was this day presented in the Temple,
in substance of our flesh,
so we may be presented unto thee
with pure and clean hearts,
by thy Son Jesus Christ 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

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 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.

Vast Ocean of Light, whose rays surround
the Universe, who know'st nor ebb, nor shore,
who lend'st the Sun his sparkling drop, to store
with overflowing beams Heav'n, air, ground,
whose depths beneath the Centre none can sound,
whose heights 'bove Heav'n, and thoughts so lofty soar,
whose breadth no feet, no lines, no chains, no eyes survey,
whose length no thoughts can reach, no worlds can bound,
what cloud can mask thy face? where can thy ray
find an Eclipse? What night can hide Eternal Day?

Words: Phineas Fletcher (1582-1650)

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

during which a collection will be taken. If you are a tax-payer and wish to Gift Aid your donation, it would be very helpful if you use the envelopes provided.

**Faithful vigil ended,
watching, waiting cease;
master, grant thy servant
his discharge in peace.**

**All thy Spirit promised,
all the Father willed;
now these eyes behold it
perfectly fulfilled.**

**This thy great deliverance
sets thy people free;
Christ, their light, uplifted
all the nations see.**

**Christ, thy people's glory!
watching, doubting, cease:
grant to us thy servants
our discharge in peace.**

*Words: Timothy Dudley Smith (b.1926)
Tune: Glenfinlas (44)*

The Blessing

Organ Voluntary

Carillon de Westminster – Louis Vierne