



St Paul's Cathedral

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Sung Evening Prayer

Wednesday 6 May 2020 • 5.10 pm

WELCOME

Welcome to St Paul's Cathedral, the home for worshippers from more than two dozen nations, the home church for Anglicans in Melbourne and Victoria. We are delighted that you have joined us for our streamed service this evening: come and worship with us again.

The cathedral is situated on the traditional lands of the Kulin nation and we acknowledge and pay our respect to their elders past, present and emerging, and commit ourselves to the ongoing work of reconciliation in our nation.

Please join us in singing the hymns and saying those parts of the service printed in **bold** type.

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LEADING TODAY'S SERVICE

The Precentor:
The Ven Canon Heather Patacca

Cantors:
Mr Tim Bell, *FCM Lay Clerk*
Ms Kristy Biber, *Leading Musician*
Mr Philip Nicholls, *Director of Music*
Ms Emma Warburton, *Lay Clerk*
Mr Siegfried Franke, *Cathedral Organist*

THE GREETING

The officiant welcomes all to the service and offers an Acknowledgement of Country.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

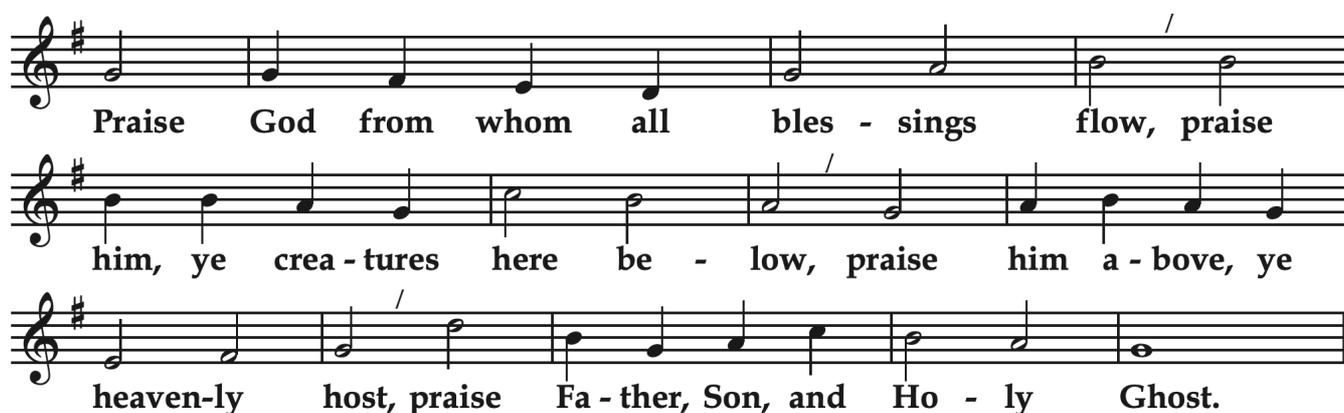
Christ is risen! Alleluia!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The glory of the Lord shall be revealed:
and all people shall see it together.

Glory to God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit:
as in the beginning, so now, and for ever. Amen.

THE OFFICE HYMN



Praise God from whom all bles - sings flow, praise
him, ye crea - tures here be - low, praise him a - bove, ye
heaven-ly host, praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Thomas Ken (1637-1711)
Together in Song 768 alt.

THE OPENING PRAYER

The day is now past and the night is at hand.

Let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

Father of lights, receive the prayer and praise we offer you as our evening sacrifice; make us a light for all the world, delivered by your goodness from all the works of darkness; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen.**

THE READING

1 Peter 3:8-22

Finally, all of you, have unity of spirit, sympathy, love for one another, a tender heart, and a humble mind. ⁹Do not repay evil for evil or abuse for abuse; but, on the contrary, repay with a blessing. It is for this that you were called – that you might inherit a blessing. ¹⁰For ‘Those who desire life and desire to see good days,

let them keep their tongues from evil and their lips from speaking deceit; ¹¹ let them turn away from evil and do good; let them seek peace and pursue it. ¹² For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their prayer. But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.'

¹³Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? ¹⁴But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, ¹⁵but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defence to anyone who demands from you an account of the hope that is in you; ¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. ¹⁸For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight people, were saved through water. ²¹And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you – not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

May your word live in us
and bear much fruit to your glory.

THE ANTHEM

A new commandment give I unto you, saith the Lord,
that ye love together as I have loved you,
that e'en so ye love one another.
By this shall ev'ry man know that ye are my disciples
if ye have love one to another.

Text: John 13:34-35
Music: Thomas Tallis (c.1505-85)

THE HOMILY

A reflection on the reading is offered

THE PRAYERS

Let us pray.

Lord have mercy. **Christ have mercy.** Lord have mercy.

Our Father in heaven,
**hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Help us when we hear his voice to know him who calls us each by name, and to follow where he leads; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Intercessions and Thanksgivings are made according to need.

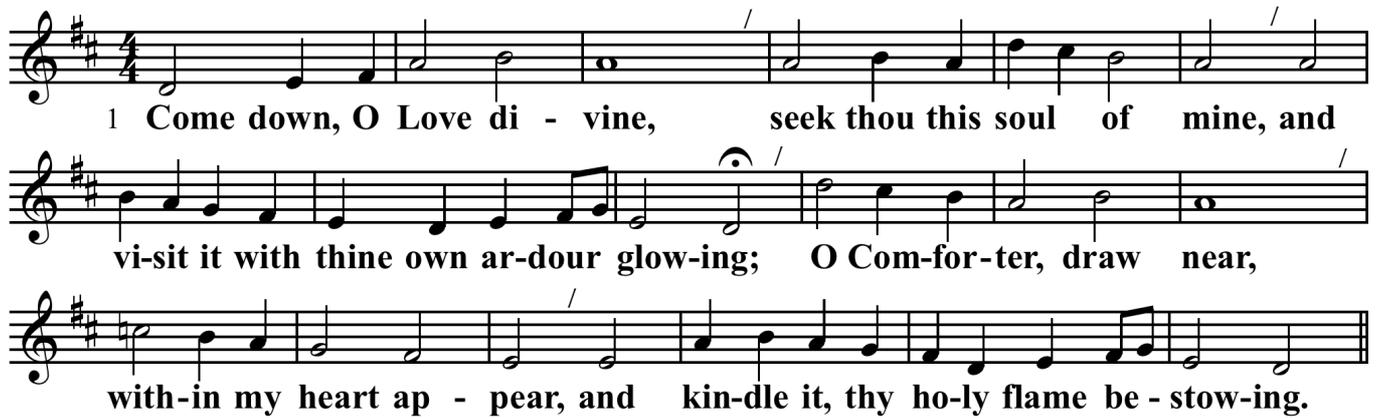
THE EVENING COLLECT

Lighten our darkness, Lord, we pray: and in your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL HYMN

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1 Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of mine, and
vi-sit it with thine own ar-dour glow-ing; O Com-for-ter, draw near,
with-in my heart ap - pear, and kin-dle it, thy ho-ly flame be - stow-ing.

2
O let it freely burn
till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat
consuming;
and let thy glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round,
the while my path illuming.

3
Let holy charity
mine outward vesture be,
and lowliness
become mine inner clothing:
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part,
and o'er its own shortcomings
weeps with loathing.

4
And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace
till we become the place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

Bianco da Siena (d.1434), tr. Richard Frederick Littledale (1833-90)
Hymns Ancient and Modern New Standard 156i

THE DISMISSAL AND BLESSING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us praise the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Hymn Prelude on Rhosymedre - Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)
Mr Siegfried Franke, Cathedral Organist

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