



# St Paul's Cathedral

*Together transforming our City and Diocese*

## Sung Evening Prayer

Friday 15 May 2020 • 5.10 pm

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### 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 Canon Pastor*

The Revd Christopher Carolane

*Cantors:*

Mr Timothy Bell, *FCM Lay Clerk*

Ms Kristy Biber, *Lead Musician*

Mr Philip Nicholls, *Director of Music*

Ms Emma Warburton, *Lay Clerk*

Mr Siegfried Franke, *Cathedral Organist*

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## 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!**

Peace to those who are far off.

**Peace to those who are near.**

Glory to God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

**as in the beginning, so now, and for ever. Amen.**

## THE OFFICE HYMN

1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in your word; curb those who  
by de - ceit or sword would wrest the king - dom from your Son,  
and bring to no - thing all he's done.

2  
Lord Jesus Christ,  
your power make known,  
for you are Lord of lords alone;  
defend your holy church, that we  
may sing your praise eternally.

3  
O Comforter of priceless worth,  
grant one mind  
to your flock on earth;  
support us in our final strife,  
and lead us out of death to life.

Martin Luther (1483-1546), tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-78) alt.  
*Together in Song 436*

## 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.**

Now as an elder myself and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as one who shares in the glory to be revealed, I exhort the elders among you <sup>2</sup>to tend the flock of God that is in your charge, exercising the oversight, not under compulsion but willingly, as God would have you do it – not for sordid gain but eagerly. <sup>3</sup>Do not lord it over those in your charge, but be examples to the flock. <sup>4</sup>And when the chief shepherd appears, you will win the crown of glory that never fades away. <sup>5</sup>In the same way, you who are younger must accept the authority of the elders. And all of you must clothe yourselves with humility in your dealings with one another, for ‘God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.’

<sup>6</sup>Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. <sup>7</sup>Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you.

<sup>8</sup>Discipline yourselves; keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. <sup>9</sup>Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters throughout the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. <sup>10</sup>And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. <sup>11</sup>To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

<sup>12</sup>Through Silvanus, whom I consider a faithful brother, I have written this short letter to encourage you, and to testify that this is the true grace of God. Stand fast in it. <sup>13</sup>Your sister church in Babylon, chosen together with you, sends you greetings; and so does my son Mark. <sup>14</sup>Greet one another with a kiss of love.

Peace to all of you who are in Christ.

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

## THE ANTHEM

Jesu, joy of man’s desiring,  
 holy wisdom, love most bright;  
 drawn by thee, our souls aspiring,  
 soar to uncreated light.

Word of God, our flesh that fashioned,  
 with the fire of life impassioned,  
 striving still to truth unknown,  
 soaring, dying round thy throne.

Through the way where hope is guiding  
 hark, what peaceful music rings.  
 Where the flock in thee confiding  
 drink of joy from deathless springs.

Theirs is beauty’s fairest pleasure,  
 theirs is wisdom’s holiest treasure.  
 thou dost ever lead thine own,  
 in the joys of love unknown.

Text: Robert Bridges (1844-1930)  
 Music: Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

## 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

Saving God, who called your Church to witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us so to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be reconciled to you; through him who died for us and rose again and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Intercessions and Thanksgivings are made according to need.*

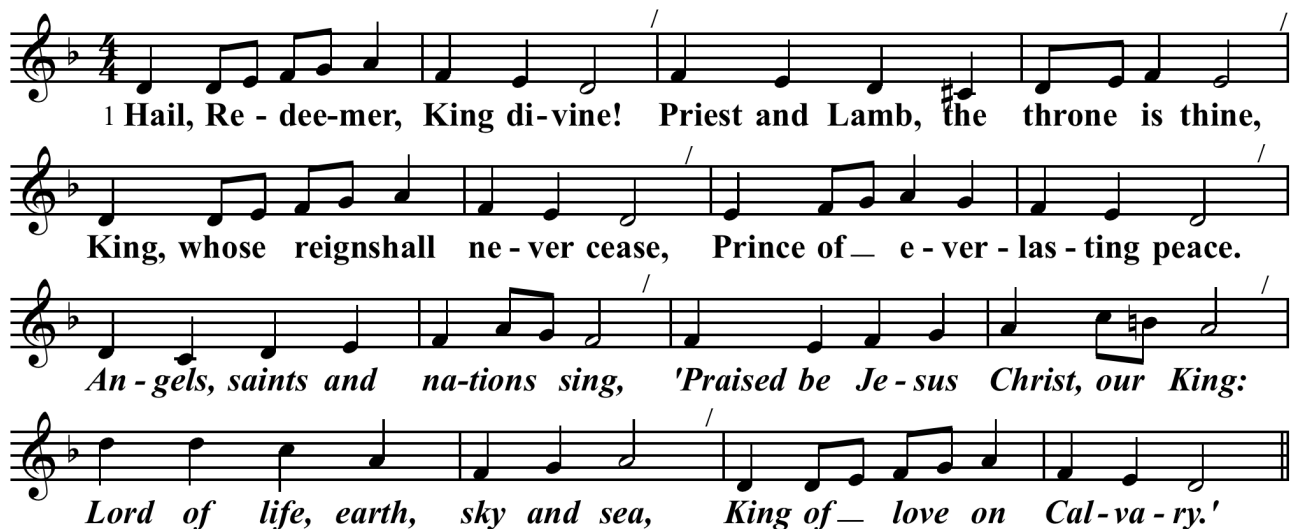
## THE EVENING COLLECT

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 Hail, Re - dee-mer, King di-vine! Priest and Lamb, the throne is thine,  
 King, whose reign shall ne - ver cease, Prince of e - ver - las - ting peace.  
 An - gels, saints and na-tions sing, 'Praised be Je - sus Christ, our King:  
 Lord of life, earth, sky and sea, King of love on Cal - va - ry.'

2  
 King, whose name creation thrills,  
 rule our minds, our hearts, our wills,  
 till in peace each nation rings  
 with their praises, King of kings.  
*Angels, saints and nations sing ...*

3  
 King most holy, King of truth,  
 guide the lowly, guide the youth;  
 Christ thou King of glory bright,  
 be to us eternal light.  
*Angels, saints and nations sing ...*

4  
 Shepherd-king, o'er mountains steep,  
 homeward bring the wandering sheep;  
 shelter in one royal fold  
 states and kingdoms, new and old.  
*Angels, saints and nations sing ...*

Patrick Brennan (1877-1952)  
 Australian Hymn Book 188. Reproduced with permission

#### 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

*Finale from Organ Symphony No. 5 – Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)*  
 Mr Siegfried Franke, Cathedral Organist

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