



St Paul's Cathedral

Together transforming our City and Diocese

Choral Evensong *from the Book of Common Prayer (1662)*
with prayers for the conservation and right use of the resources
of the Earth

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 service: come and worship with us again.

St Paul's 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.

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LEADING TODAY'S SERVICE

Officiant: The Venerable Heather Patacca, *Archdeacon of Melbourne & Precentor*

Musicians:

Ms Kristy Biber, *Leading Musician*; Mr Siegfried Franke, *Cathedral Organist*;

Mr Ben Owen, *Lay Clerk*; Mr Philip Nicholls, *Director of Music*;

Ms Emma Warburton, *Lay Clerk*

ORDER OF SERVICE

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

WELCOME

The Officiant welcomes the people

RESPONSES

John Sanders (1933-2003)

O Lord, open thou our lips;
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 8

¹O Lord our Governor, how excellent is thy Name in all the world: thou that has set thy glory above the heavens! ²Out of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength, because of thine enemies: that thou mightest still the enemy, and the avenger. ³For I will consider thy heavens, even the works of thy fingers: the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained. ⁴What is man, that thou art mindful of him: and the son of man, that thou visitest him? ⁵Thou madest him lower than the angels: to crown him with glory and worship. ⁶Thou makest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands: and thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet; ⁷All sheep and oxen: yea, and the beasts of the field; ⁸The fowls of the air, and the fishes of the sea: and whatsoever walketh through the paths of the seas. ⁹O Lord our Governor: how excellent is thy Name in all the world!

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.

Chant: Frederick A. G. Ouseley (1825-89)

FIRST READING

Isaiah 11.1-9

¹A shoot shall come out from the stock of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. ²The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. ³His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by

what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; ⁴but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. ⁵Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

⁶The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. ⁷The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. ⁸The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. ⁹They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

Here ends the first lesson.

MAGNIFICAT

The Song of Mary, St Luke 1.46-55

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 forever.

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.

Music: Evening Service in G – Herbert Sumsion (1899-1995)

SECOND READING

Romans 15.4-9, 12-13

⁴For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. ⁵May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, ⁶so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁷Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. ⁸For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, ⁹and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, 'Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name'; ¹²and again Isaiah says, 'The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope.' ¹³May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Here ends the second lesson.

NUNC DIMITTIS

The Song of Simeon, St Luke 2.29-32

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.

Music: Tone V.1 with Simple Fauxbourdon – Philip Nicholls (b.1976)

APOSTLES' CREED

**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 Choir sings

LESSER LITANY

John Sanders

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

RESPONSES

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.

COLLECTS

Lord, we beseech thee, grant thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow thee the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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.

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

God in such love for us lent us this planet,
gave it a purpose in time and in space:
small as a spark from the fire of creation,
cradle of life and the home of our race.

*Thanks be to God for its bounty and beauty,
life that sustains us in body and mind:
plenty for all, if we learn how to share it,
riches undreamt of to fathom and find.*

Long have our human wars ruined its harvest;
long has earth bowed to the terror of force;
long have we wasted what others have need of,
poisoned the fountain of life at its source.

Thanks be to God ...

Earth is the Lord's: it is ours to enjoy it,
ours, as God's stewards, to farm and defend.
From its pollution, misuse, and destruction,
good Lord deliver us, world without end.

Thanks be to God ...

Text: Fred Pratt Green (1903-2000)

Music: Malcolm Archer (b.1952)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Concluding with

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.

DISMISSAL HYMN

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1 Touch the earth light - ly, use the earth gen - tly,
 nou - rish the life of the world in our care:
 gift of great won - der, ours to sur - ren - der,
 trust for the chil - dren to - mor-row will bear.

2
 We who endanger,
 who create hunger,
 agents of death for all creatures
 that live,
 we who would foster
 clouds of disaster,
 God of our planet,
 forestall and forgive!

3
 Let there be greening,
 birth from the burning,
 water that blesses
 and air that is sweet,
 health in God's garden,
 hope in God's children,
 regeneration that peace
 will complete.

4
 God of all living,
 God of all loving,
 God of the seedling, the snow and the sun,
 teach us, deflect us,
 Christ re-connect us,
 using us gently and making us one.

Shirley Erena Murray (1931-2020)
Together in Song 668
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THE BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you,
 and be gracious unto you; the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you,
 and give you peace. And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the
 Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Festival Finale – Malcolm Archer (b.1952)
 Mr Siegfried Franke, Cathedral Organist

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