



# St Paul's Cathedral

*Together transforming our City and Diocese*

**Choral Evensong** *from the Book of Common Prayer (1662)*

The Feast the Baptism of our Lord

2.30pm • Monday 11 January 2021

5.10pm • Tuesday 12 January 2021

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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 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 Very Revd Dr Andreas Loewe  
*Dean of Melbourne*

*Musicians:*

Ms Kristy Biber, *Leading Musician*; Ms Sophie Clapperton, *Lay Clerk*;

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

Mr Mark Slavec, *June Nixon Organ Scholar*; Ms Emma Warburton, *Lay Clerk*

# ORDER OF SERVICE

## 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 2

<sup>1</sup>Why do the heathen so furiously rage together: and why do the people imagine a vain thing? <sup>2</sup>The kings of the earth stand up, and the rulers take counsel together: against the Lord, and against his Anointed. <sup>3</sup>Let us break their bonds asunder: and cast away their cords from us. <sup>4</sup>He that dwelleth in heaven shall laugh them to scorn: the Lord shall have them in derision. <sup>5</sup>Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath: and vex them in his sore displeasure. <sup>6</sup>Yet have I set my King: upon my holy hill of Sion. <sup>7</sup>I will preach the law, whereof the Lord hath said unto me: Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee. <sup>8</sup>Desire of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance: and the utmost parts of the earth for thy possession. <sup>9</sup>Thou shalt bruise them with a rod of iron: and break them in pieces like a potter's vessel. <sup>10</sup>Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be learned, ye that are judges of the earth. <sup>11</sup>Serve the Lord in fear: and rejoice unto him with reverence. <sup>12</sup>Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and so ye perish from the right way: if his wrath be kindled, (yea, but a little,) blessed are all they that put their trust in him.

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: John Goss (1800-80)

<sup>7</sup>How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, 'Your God reigns.' <sup>8</sup>Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the Lord to Zion. <sup>9</sup>Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. <sup>10</sup>The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

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 F – John Ireland (1879-1962)

## SECOND READING

John 1.29-34

<sup>1</sup>The next day, John saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.'

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.

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**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

O Lord, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people which call upon thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same; 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.

## THE ANTHEM

Tomorrow shall be my dancing day,  
I would my true love did so chance  
to see the legend of my play,  
to call my true love to my dance.

*Sing, O my love,  
this have I done for my true love.*

In a manger laid and wrapped I was,  
so very poor this was my chance,  
between an ox and a silly poor ass,  
to call my true love to my dance.

*Sing, O my love, ...*

Then up to heaven I did ascend,  
where now I dwell in sure substance  
on the right hand of God that man,  
may come, that man may join the dance.

Words & Music: trad. English; arr. June Nixon

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

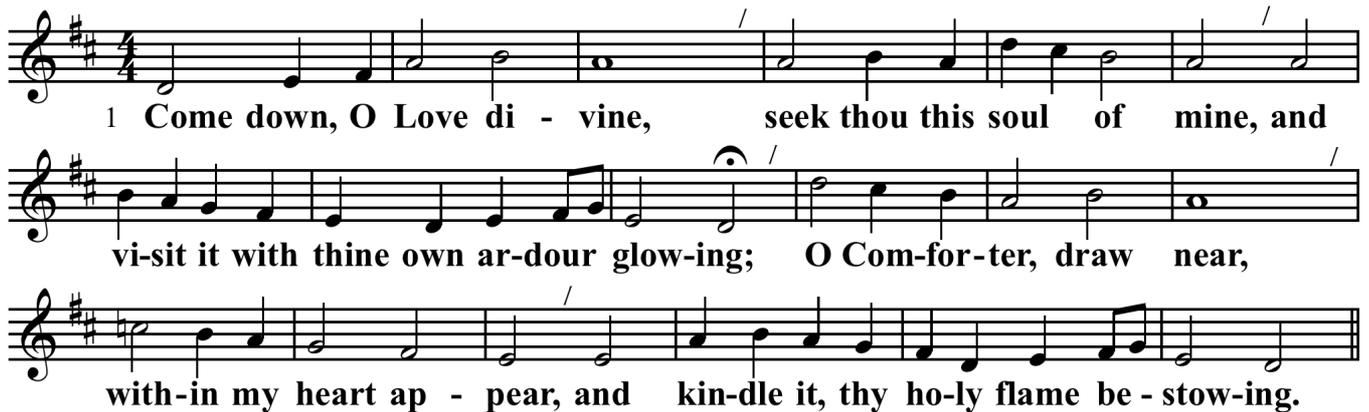
*Concluding with*

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 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 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

*Postlude in D minor, Op.105 – Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924):*  
Mr Mark Slavec, June Nixon Organ Scholar

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