



St Paul's Cathedral

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

The Ninth Week of Pentecost

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LEADING TODAY'S SERVICE

The Venerable Canon Heather Patacca, *Archdeacon of Melbourne and Precentor*

Musicians: Lay Clerks of the Cathedral Choir, directed by Mr Philip Nicholls,
Director of Music. *Organ:* Mr Siegfried Franke, *Cathedral Organist*

ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME

The Officiant welcomes the people

RESPONSES

William Smith (c.1557-1603)

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 125

¹They that put their trust in the Lord shall be even as the mount Sion:
which may not be removed, but standeth fast for ever.

²The hills stand about Jerusalem:
even so standeth the Lord round about his people,
from this time forth for evermore.

³For the rod of the ungodly cometh not into the lot of the righteous:
lest the righteous put their hand unto wickedness.

⁴Do well, O Lord: unto those that are good and true of heart.

⁵As for such as turn back unto their own wickedness:
the Lord shall lead them forth with the evil-doers; but peace shall be upon 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: June Nixon

Here begins the twenty-second chapter of the book Genesis

¹After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, 'Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' ²He said, 'Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt-offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you.' ³So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt-offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. ⁴On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. ⁵Then Abraham said to his young men, 'Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you.' ⁶Abraham took the wood of the burnt-offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. ⁷Isaac said to his father Abraham, 'Father!' And he said, 'Here I am, my son.' He said, 'The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt-offering?' ⁸Abraham said, 'God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt-offering, my son.' So the two of them walked on together.

⁹When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. ¹¹But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, 'Abraham, Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' ¹²He said, 'Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.' ¹³And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt-offering instead of his son. ¹⁴So Abraham called that place 'The Lord will provide'; as it is said to this day, 'On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided.'

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

Galatians 3.1-14

Here begins the third chapter of the epistle of St Paul the Apostle to the Galatians

¹You foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? It was before your eyes that Jesus Christ was publicly exhibited as crucified! ²The only thing I want to learn from you is this: Did you receive the Spirit by doing the works of the law or by believing what you heard? ³Are you so foolish? Having started with the Spirit, are you now ending with the flesh? ⁴Did you experience so much for nothing? – if it really was for nothing. ⁵Well then, does God supply you with the Spirit and work miracles among you by your doing the works of the law, or by your believing what you heard?

⁶Just as Abraham ‘believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness’, ⁷so, you see, those who believe are the descendants of Abraham. ⁸And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, declared the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, ‘All the Gentiles shall be blessed in you.’ ⁹For this reason, those who believe are blessed with Abraham who believed.

¹⁰For all who rely on the works of the law are under a curse; for it is written, ‘Cursed is everyone who does not observe and obey all the things written in the book of the law.’ ¹¹Now it is evident that no one is justified before God by the law; for ‘The one who is righteous will live by faith.’ ¹²But the law does not rest on faith; on the contrary, ‘Whoever does the works of the law will live by them.’ ¹³Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for

us – for it is written, ‘Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree’ – ¹⁴in order that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

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

William Smith

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 of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of thy name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy great mercy keep us in 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.

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 The God of A-braham praise who reigns en-throned a - bove, An -
cient of e - ver - las - ting Days, and God of love; the—
Lord, the great I AM, by— earth and— heaven con - fest; — we
bow and bless the sa - cred— name for — e - ver blest.

2
The God of Abraham praise,
at whose supreme command
from earth we rise and seek the joys
at his right hand;
we all on earth forsake,
its wisdom, fame, and power;
and him our only portion make,
our shield and tower.

3
The God who reigns on high
the great archangels sing,
and 'Holy, Holy, Holy!' cry,
'almighty King,
who was, and is the same,
and evermore shall be:
the Lord, our Father, great I AM
we worship Thee.'

4
Before the Saviour's face
the ransomed nations bow,
o'erwhelmed at his almighty grace,
for ever new;
he shows his prints of love -
they kindle to a flame,
and sound
through all the worlds above
the slaughtered Lamb.

5
The whole triumphant host
give thanks to God on high;
'Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,'
they ever cry.
Hail, Abraham's God, and mine,
(I join the heavenly lays,)
all might and majesty are thine,
and endless praise.

Thomas Olivers (1725-99)
Hymns Ancient and Modern New Standard 331

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

Andantino – Filippo Capocci (1840-1911):
Mr Siegfried Franke, Cathedral Organist

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