

# SUNG EUCHARIST

Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Sunday 3 February 2019 6.30pm

President: The Dean

Preacher: Bishop Tim Stevens

Messe Solennelle Op. 16

Louis Vierne 1870-1937

#### WELCOME



There is an **Induction Loop** in both the North and South Transepts, the Choir and the Presbytery, for those using a hearing aid, and large copies of the service sheet are available on request.



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# Action to be taken on hearing the fire alarm:

Calmly leave the Cathedral by the nearest fire exit.

Stewards will direct persons in wheelchairs to the appropriate fire exit

(either the West Door or the South Door)

#### THE PREPARATION

The bell rings. Please remain seated.

The choir sings the Introit in St Etheldreda's Chapel

INTROIT

In You, O Woman full of Grace, the angelic choirs, and the human race, all creation rejoices. O sanctified Temple, mystical Paradise, and glory of Virgins.

In You, O Woman full of Grace, all creation rejoices. all praise be to You.

Words: Liturgy of St Basil Music: A Hymn to the Mother of God, Sir John Tavener 1944-2013

**HYMN** Please stand

The altar is censed during the hymn



1
Hail to the Lord who comes,
Comes to his temple gate!
Not with his angel host,
Not in his kingly state;
No shouts proclaim him nigh,
No crowds his coming wait;

2
But borne upon the throne
Of Mary's gentle breast,
Watched by her duteous love,
In her fond arms at rest;
Thus to his Father's house
He comes, the heavenly guest.

There Joseph at her side
In reverent wonder stands;
And, filled with holy joy,
Old Simeon in his hands
Takes up the promised Child,
the glory of all lands.

4
Hail to the great First-born
whose ransom-price they pay!
The Son before all worlds,
The Child of man today,
That he might ransom us
Who still in bondage lay.



5 O Light of all the earth, Thy children wait for thee! Come to thy temples here, That we, from sin set free, Before thy Father's face May all presented be!

Words: John Ellerton 1826-93 Music: *Old 120th* NEH 157 Melody as in Este's Psalter 1592; harmony almost entirely from Ravenscroft's Psalmes 1621

President In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you and also with you.

The President welcomes the people and introduces the liturgy

KYRIE sung by the choir

Kyrie eleison Lord, have mercy
Christe eleison Christ, have mercy
Kyrie eleison Lord, have mercy

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS sung by the choir

Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam, Domine Deus, Rex coelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe: Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus sanctus, tu solus Dominus, tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory. O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty. O Lord the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ, O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us; thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us; thou that sittest at the right hand of the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art Holy, thou only art the Lord, thou only O Christ with the Holy Ghost art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Please sit

#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

CHOIR

from today's reading from the Prophet Malachi

And He shall purify the sons of Levi, that they may offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness.

Music: George Frideric Handel 1685-1759

Please stand and face the deacon

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Choir Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

This child is a light to enlighten the nations,

and the glory of your people Israel.

All Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 2.22-40

The Lord be with you.

# And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.



When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord. (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.' Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

The Nunc Dimittis is sung

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.

> Words: Luke 2.29-32 Music: Geoffrey Burgon 1941-2010

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed – and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Please sit

SERMON

After the Sermon silence is kept

President Let us pray to the Father through Christ who is our Light and Life.

Please sit or kneel. The tune of the hymn is played through

Father, your Christ is acclaimed as the glory of Israel: Look in mercy on your Church, sharing his light Lord, have mercy.

### Christ, have mercy.

All sing

1 Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, O Thou of God and man the Son, Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honour, Thou, my soul's glory, joy and crown.

Father, your Christ in his temple brings judgment on the world: Look in mercy on the nations, who long for his justice Lord, have mercy.

# Christ, have mercy.

All sing

2

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, Robed in the blooming garb of spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Father, your Christ, who was rich, for our sakes became poor: Look in mercy on the needy, suffering with him Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

3

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, And all the twinkling starry host; Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer Than all the angels heaven can boast.

Father, your Christ is the one in whom faithful servants find their peace: Look in mercy on the departed, who see your salvation Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

All sing

4

All fairest beauty, heavenly and earthly, Wondrously, Jesus, is found in Thee; None can be nearer, fairer or dearer, Than Thou, my Saviour, art to me.

Father, your Christ is revealed as the one destined to be rejected: Look in mercy on us who now turn toward his passion Lord, have mercy.

### Christ, have mercy.

All sing

5

Beautiful Saviour! Lord of all the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honour, praise, adoration, Now and forever more be Thine.

> Words: Munster Gesangbuch; tr. Joseph August Seiss 1823–1904 Music: From Schlesische Volkslieder, 1842; descant by Sarah MacDonald

Lord God, you kept faith with Simeon and Anna and showed them the infant King.
Give us grace to put all our trust in your promises, and the patience to wait for their fulfilment; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Please stand

THE PEACE

In the tender mercy of our God the dayspring from on high has broken upon us, to give light to those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

cf Luke 1.78, 79

The peace of the Lord be always with you and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

The peace is shared

THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

**OFFERTORY** 

The altar is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it

The choir moves to the Transepts

MAGNIFICAT

Magnificat anima mea Dominum: et exultavit spiritus meus in Deo salutari meo. Quia respexit humilitatem ancillae suae: ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent omnes generationes. Quia fecit mihi magna, qui potens est: et sanctum nomen eius, et misericordia eius a progenie in progenies timentibus eum. Fecit potentiam in brachio suo, dispersit superbos mente cordis sui. Deposuit potentes de sede et exaltavit humiles; esurientes implevit bonis et divites dimisit inanes. Suscepit Israel puerum suum recordatus misericordiae suae, sicut locutus est ad patres nostros, Abraham et semini eius in saecula.

Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto: Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula sæculorum. Amen

My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his hand-maiden. 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, for ever.

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.

Words: Luke 1.46-55 Music: Hieronymus Praetorius 1560-1629

#### PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

#### TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

Father, in Christ there has sprung up a light for the righteous, accept the gifts we bring before you and grant that Christ may shine in us to the praise and glory of your name. **Amen.** 

#### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



It is indeed right and good, always and everywhere to give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ, who is one with you from all eternity. For on this day he appeared in the Temple in substance of our flesh to come near to us in judgement. He searches the hearts of all your people and brings to light the image of your splendour. Your servant Simeon acclaimed him as the light to lighten the nations while Anna spoke of him to all who looked for your redemption. Destined for the falling and rising of many, he was lifted high upon the cross and a sword of sorrow pierced his mother's heart when by his sacrifice he made our peace with you. And now we rejoice and glorify your name that we, too, have seen your salvation and join with angels and archangels in their unending hymn of praise:

The choir sings

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Osanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Osanna in excelsis. Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

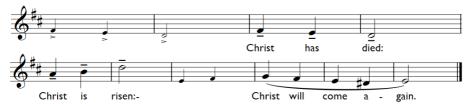
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.

Please sit or kneel

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me. In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying:

Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

## Great is the mystery of faith:



And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.



Believing the promises of God, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour taught us:

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.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The President breaks the consecrated bread, saying

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

AGNUS DEI sung by the choir

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis, Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis, Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, grant us your peace.

#### THE GIVING OF COMMUNION

The President invites the people to receive Holy Communion, saying

Draw near with faith, receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The President and people receive the Communion. Communicant members of all Christian churches are welcome to receive the Communion.

The practice at the Cathedral is to receive the wafer in the hand; if you prefer not to drink from the common cup, please take the wafer only – please do not dip your wafer in the cup. If you do not wish to receive communion, you are invited to come forward for a blessing. Please hold this service book in your hands as an indication to the ministers. Gluten free wafers are available on request.

At the distribution the minister says to each communicant:

The body of Christ or The blood of Christ

The communicant responds **Amen**, and then receives.

During communion the choir sings Adoro te devote (McDowall).

ANTHEM

Adoro te devote, latens deitas, Quæ sub his figuris vere latitas; Tibi se cor meum totum subjicit,

Prostrate I adore Thee, Deity unseen, Who Thy glory hidest 'neath these shadows mean; Lo, to Thee surrendered, my whole heart is bowed, Quia te contemplans totum deficit. Tranced as it beholds Thee, shrined within the cloud.

Visus, tactus, gustus in te fallitur, Sed auditu solo tuto creditur. Credo auidauid dixit Dei Filius: Nil hoc verbo Veritátis verius.

Taste, and touch, and vision, to discern Thee fail; Faith, that comes by hearing, pierces through the veil. I believe whate'er the Son of God hath told; What the Truth hath spoken, that for truth I hold.

Jesu, quem velatum nunc aspicio, Oro, fiat illud quod tam sitio: Ut te revelata cernens facie.

Jesus, whom now veiled, I by faith descry, What my soul doth thirst for, do not, Lord, deny, That thy face unveiled, I at last may see, Visu sim beatus tuæ gloriæ. Amen. With the blissful vision blest, my God, of Thee. Amen.

> Words: St Thomas Aquinas 1225-74 Tr. E. B. Pusey 1800-82 Music: Cecilia McDowall b. 1961

#### HYMN Please remain seated while singing the hymn



Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness, Leave the gloomy haunts of sadness, Come into the daylight's splendour, There with joy thy praises render Unto him whose grace unbounded Hath this wondrous banquet founded; High o'er all the heavens he reigneth, Yet to dwell with thee he deigneth. Sun, who all my life dost brighten; Light, who dost my soul enlighten; Joy, the sweetest man e'er knoweth; Fount, whence all my being floweth; At thy feet I cry, my Maker, Let me be a fit partaker Of this blessèd food from heaven, For our good, thy glory, given.

Jesus, Bread of Life, I pray thee,
Let me gladly here obey thee;
Never to my hurt invited,
Be thy love with love requited:
From this banquet let me measure,
Lord, how vast and deep its treasure;
Through the gifts thou here dost give me,
As thy guest in heaven receive me.

Words: German, Johann Franck 1618-77 Tr Catherine Winkworth 1827-78 Music: Schmücke Dich NEH 280 Melody from J. Crüger's Geistliche Kirchen-Melodien 1649

#### PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION Please stand

### President Let us pray.

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for eyer. **Amen.** 

During the playover and singing of the hymn the congregation's candles are lit. Please follow the Choir and ministers as the whole congregation moves to the Font at Prior's Door.



Of the Father's heart begotten, Ere the world from chaos rose, He is Alpha: from that Fountain All that is and hath been flows; He is Omega, of all things Yet to come the mystic Close, Evermore and evermore

2
By his word was all created;
He commanded and 'twas done;
Earth and sky and boundless ocean,
Universe of three in one,
All that sees the moon's soft radiance,
All that breathes beneath the sun:

O how blest that wondrous birthday, When the Maid the curse retrieved, Brought to birth mankind's salvation, By the Holy Ghost conceived; And the Babe, the world's Redeemer, In her loving arms received:

4
This is he, whom seer and sibyl
Sang in ages long gone by;
This is he of old revealed
In the page of prophecy;
Lo! he comes, the promised Saviour;
Let the world his praises cry!

5
Sing, ye heights of heaven, his praises;
Angels and Archangels, sing!
Wheresoe'er ye be, ye faithful,
Let your joyous anthems ring,
Every tongue his name confessing,
Countless voices answering:

Words: Latin, *Prudentius* 348-413 tr. R F Davis 1866-1937 Music: *Divinum Mysterium* NEH 33 Melody from Piae Cantiones Theoderici Petri Nylandensis 1582; descant by David Willcocks 1919-2015 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. He is worthy of all thanksgiving and praise.

Blessèd are you, Lord our God, King of the universe! You make our darkness to be light, for with you is the well of life and in your light shall we see light.

Blessèd be God for ever.

The congregation raise their candles for blessing

Lord God, the springing source of everlasting light, pour into the hearts of your faithful people the brilliance of your eternal splendour, that we, who by these kindling flames light up this temple to your glory, may have the darkness of our souls dispelled, and so be counted worthy to stand before you in that eternal temple where you live and reign, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

All keep silence

The choir sings the Nunc dimittis

Nunc dimittis servum tuum Domine secundum verbum tuum in pace. Quia viderunt oculi mei salutare tuum, quod parasti ante faciem omnium populorum, lumen ad revelationem gentium et gloriam plebis tuae Israel. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto, Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

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.

> Words: Luke 2.29-32 Music: Nunc Dimittis in Bb - Charles Wood 1886-1926

President We stand near the place of new birth. **Let us shine with the light of your love.** 

We turn from the crib to the cross. Let us shine with the light of your love.

We go to carry his light. Let us shine with the light of your love. Thanks be to God.

The ministers and people depart

ORGAN Fiat Lux - Theodore Dubois 1837-1924

A retiring collection is taken