



+We welcome you to the Cathedral of St. Andrew for this service of Choral Evensong +
Grace and peace be with you

Evensong is a very tiny fragment of something else: It is a fragment of the worship which is offered to God by Christian people every hour of the 24 in every part of the world. When you come to Evensong it is as if you were dropping in on a conversation already in progress -- a conversation between God and humankind which began long before you were born and will go on long after your death. So, do not be surprised or disturbed if there are some things which you do not understand straight away. For this brief moment, you step into the continual stream of worship which is being offered today and which will be offered to the end of time. You are one with those who worship here on earth and in heaven.

[from St. Paul's Cathedral, London, adapted]

Now in the stillness of this hour and the quiet of this space, we join in the conversation.

ORGAN PRELUDE

Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern from *Chorale-Improvisations*, Op 65, No. 44

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

CHORAL INTROIT

Videntes stellam

Francis Poulenc

Videntes stellam Seeing the star,
magi gavisi sunt gaudio magno: the magi rejoiced with great joy:
et intrantes domum, and entering the house,
obtulerunt Domino they offered the Lord
aurum, thus, et myrrham. gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *The Hymnal 1982* #128 We three kings

Three Kings of Orient

WELCOME & OPENING SENTENCE FROM SCRIPTURE

THE PRECES Officiant and Choir.

Bernard Rose

V: O Lord, open thou our lips.
R: And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
V: O God, make speed to save us.
R: O Lord, make haste to help us.
V: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
V: Praise ye the Lord.
R: The Lord's Name be praised.

PHOS HILARON *The Hymnal 1982* #25. Sung by All. O gracious light, Lord Jesus Christ

The Eighth Tune

Please be seated.

PSALM 72: 1-7, 10-14 Anglican chant; sung by Choir.

Samuel Sebastian Wesley

1. Give the King thy judgements, O God:
and thy righteousness unto the King's son.
2. Then shall he judge thy people according unto right:
and defend the poor.
3. The mountains also shall bring peace:
and the little hills righteousness unto the people.
4. He shall keep the simple folk by their right:
defend the children of the poor, and punish the wrong-doer.

5. They shall fear thee, as long as the sun and moon endureth:
from one generation to another.
6. He shall come down like the rain into a fleece of wool:
even as the drops that water the earth.
7. In his time shall the righteous flourish:
yea, and abundance of peace, so long as the moon endureth.
10. The kings of Tharsis and of the isles shall give presents:
the kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts.
11. All kings shall fall down before him:
all nations shall do him service.
12. For he shall deliver the poor when he crieth:
the needy also, and him that hath no helper.
13. He shall be favourable to the simple and needy:
and shall preserve the souls of the poor.
14. He shall deliver their souls from falsehood and wrong:
and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

THE LESSONS

FIRST READING *All remain seated.*

Matthew 2: 1-12

Lector A Reading from Matthew.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who is to shepherd my people Israel."

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Lector Here ends the Reading.

All stand.

MAGNIFICAT *Sung by Choir.*

The Truro Service

Gabriel Jackson

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.
(Luke 1: 46-55)

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.

SECOND READING *Please be seated.*

Lector A Reading from the poem, "Journey of the Magi."

Journey of the Magi by T.S. Eliot

A cold coming we had of it,
Just the worst time of the year
For a journey, and such a long journey:
The ways deep and the weather sharp,
The very dead of winter."
And the camels galled, sore-footed, refractory,
Lying down in the melting snow.
There were times we regretted
The summer palaces on slopes, the terraces,
And the silken girls bringing sherbet.
Then the camel men cursing and grumbling
And running away, and wanting their liquor and women,
And the night-fires going out, and the lack of shelters,
And the cities hostile and the towns unfriendly
And the villages dirty and charging high prices:
A hard time we had of it.
At the end we preferred to travel all night,
Sleeping in snatches,
With the voices singing in our ears, saying
That this was all folly.

Then at dawn we came down to a temperate valley,
Wet, below the snow line, smelling of vegetation;
With a running stream and a water-mill beating the darkness,
And three trees on the low sky,
And an old white horse galloped away in the meadow.
Then we came to a tavern with vine-leaves over the lintel,
Six hands at an open door dicing for pieces of silver,
And feet kicking the empty wine-skins.
But there was no information, and so we continued
And arrived at evening, not a moment too soon
Finding the place; it was (you may say) satisfactory.

All this was a long time ago, I remember,
And I would do it again, but set down
This set down
This: were we led all that way for
Birth or Death? There was a Birth, certainly,
We had evidence and no doubt. I had seen birth and death,
But had thought they were different; this Birth was
Hard and bitter agony for us, like Death, our death.
We returned to our places, these Kingdoms,
But no longer at ease here, in the old dispensation,
With an alien people clutching their gods.
I should be glad of another death.

All stand.

NUNC DIMITTIS Sung by Choir.

The Truro Service

Gabriel Jackson

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.
(Luke 2: 29-32)

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.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Officiant and People together

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 RESPONSES *Officiant and Choir.*

Bernard Rose

℣: 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.

Our Father, which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
in earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses

as we forgive them
that trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

℣: O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

℟: And grant us thy salvation.

℣: O Lord, save the State.

℟: And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

℣: Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

R: And make thy chosen people joyful.
V: O Lord, save thy people.
R: And bless thine inheritance.
V: Give peace in our time, O Lord.
R: Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.
V: O God, make clean our hearts within us.
R: And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

THE COLLECTS

O God, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only begotten Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know thee now by faith, to thy presence, where we may behold thy glory face to face; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. 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 Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

O God, who dost manifest in thy servants the signs of thy presence: Send forth upon us the Spirit of love, that in companionship with one another thine abounding grace may increase among us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

ANTHEM

The Three Kings

Jonathan Dove

The first king was very young,
O *balow, balow la lay,*
With doleful ballads on his tongue,
O *balow, balow la lay,*
He came bearing a branch of myrrh
Than which no gall is bitterer,
O *balow, balow la lay,*
Gifts for a baby King, O.

The second king was a man in prime,
 O balow, balow la lay,
The solemn priest of a solemn time,
 O balow, balow la lay,
With eyes downcast and reverent feet
He brought his incense sad and sweet,
 O balow, balow la lay,
 Gifts for a baby King, O.

The third king was very old,
O *balow, balow la lay,*
Both his hands were full of gold,
O *balow, balow la lay,*
Many a gaud and glittering toy,
Baubles brave for a baby boy,
O *balow, balow la lay,*
Gifts for a baby King, O.

(“The Three Kings” by Dorothy L. Sayers)

HOMILY

Canon Heather+

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen. *Ephesians 3:20, 21*

Please remain standing for Procession.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *The Hymnal 1982 #616 Hail to the Lord's Anointed Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*

ORGAN POSTLUDE Regent Square

Jan Mulder



The Cathedral of St. Andrew

Officiant

The Rev. Cn. Heather Patton-Graham,
Provost, Cathedral of St. Andrew
Chaplain, St. Andrew's Schools

Director of Music

Nicholas Keone Lee

Organist

Mark Wong

Cathedral Choir with Orvis Scholars

Thank you for joining us this evening. You are most welcome here at the Cathedral of St. Andrew!

Sundays:

7:00am spoken (Traditional English)
8:00am with choir ('Ōlelo and English)
10:00am with choir (English)

Wednesdays:

11:00am – 1:00pm Open Cathedral
12:00pm Healing Mass