

GENERAL SYNOD

Friday 8th – Tuesday 12th July 2022



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[CW = Common Worship BCP = Book of Common Prayer]

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Introduction

The previous two gatherings of Synod were the first of the new quinquennium, of course, and the first such experiences for me, as for many of you. For them I put together a sequence of acts of worship which adhered pretty exactly to the daily provision in Common Worship or the Book of Common Prayer. This was a deliberately cautious approach, to see how worship can work in Synod, and to listen to members' views. I am grateful for your comments, which I hope you will continue to share.

This time I have ventured to be a bit more versatile, while still retaining the familiar structures of CW Daily Prayer. Two relate directly to vital issues on the agenda: the Environment and Disability. I am very grateful to Dr Cathy Rhodes of Eco-Church and Canon Tim Goode for their contributions.

As you will see from the summary on the previous pages, most of the other acts of worship have a theme. Where possible the readings, prayers, psalms and songs are chosen accordingly. They are all very familiar features of Christian life: unity, joy, hope, listening and humility (the last two inspired by St Benedict, whose feast day falls on Monday). At least they *should* be features of our life! In the midst of the particularities of debate and discussion in Synod, especially when things can become argumentative, it may help to reorientate ourselves on some fundamentals. Some of the acts of worship will also include short periods of silent prayer and reflection. Silence is one of the most powerful elements in Christian spirituality. As Elijah discovered (1 Kings 19.11ff), it is in silence that we can encounter God – especially when our own words stop.

I am looking forward to spending this time with you. Please remember too that I am here to offer pastoral support, so do not hesitate to seek me out. And if you would like to be involved in worship at future Synod gatherings, please contact me at synodchaplain@gmail.com

The Revd Andrew Hammond Chaplain

FRIDAY 8th JULY 2022 OPENING WORSHIP

UNITY

Please join in all texts in **bold**.

We begin seated.

Behold how good and pleasant it is

All to dwell together in unity.

It is like the dew of Hermon

All running down upon the hills of Zion.

O God, make speed to save us.

All O Lord, make haste to help us.

Psalm 133.1, 4

Chant

Sung once, in unison. The tune will be played over first.

Silent, surrendered, calm and still, open to the word of God. Heart humbled to his will. offered is the servant of God.

Words: Pamela Hayes and Margaret Rizza Music: M. Rizza (1929–)

Reading 1

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.'

John 17.21b-24

Ephesians 4.4–5

We reflect in silence for two minutes.

All

Sung twice, in harmony (without a playover).

There is one body and one Spirit,

one Lord, one faith, one baptism.

Silent, surrendered, calm and still, open to the word of God. Heart humbled to his will. offered is the servant of God.

Reading 2

We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knitted together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

Ephesians 4.14-16

Chant

There is one body and one Spirit,

All one God and Father of all.

Ephesians 4.4, 6

We reflect in silence for two minutes.

Prayers

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light, look favourably on your whole church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; and by the tranquil operation of your perpetual providence, carry out the work of man's salvation; let the whole world feel and see that things which were cast down are being raised up, that those which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are returning to perfection; through him from whom they took their origin, even Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

from the Gelasian Sacramentary (5th C)

All 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. Please stand, if you are able.

Hymn

Be present, Spirit of the Lord, let sounds of earth be dumb: the Father's love be shed abroad, the dew of blessing on us poured— O silent Spirit, come!

Love's sovereign work of grace fulfil, our souls to Christ incline, intent to do the Father's will and stand by faith before him still in righteousness divine.

O Spirit come, and with us stay; make every heart your home. So work in us that we who pray may walk with Christ in wisdom's way— O Holy Spirit, come!

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926–)

Tune: 'Repton' C H H Parry (1848–1918)

Conclusion

May Christ our redeemer bring us healing and wholeness.

All Amen.

FRIDAY 8th JULY 2022 CLOSING WORSHIP

JOY

Please join in all texts in **bold**.

We begin seated.

O God, make speed to save us.

All O Lord, make haste to help us.

That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful, let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As our evening prayer rises before you, O God, so may your mercy come down upon us to cleanse our hearts and set us free to sing your praise now and for ever.

All Amen.

Please stand, if you are able.

Hymn

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine: O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God; born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Saviour all the day long. Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture burst on my sight; angels descending, bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

This is my story, this is my song...

Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Saviour am happy and blest; watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

This is my story, this is my song...

Words: Fanny Crosby (1820–1915)

Music: Phoebe Knapp (1839–1908)

Please sit.

Psalm 96.1-10

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Sing to the Lord and bless his name; tell out his salvation from day to day.

Declare his glory among the nations and his wonders among all peoples.

For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; he is more to be feared than all gods.

For all the gods of the nations are but idols; it is the Lord who made the heavens.

Honour and majesty are before him; power and splendour are in his sanctuary.

Ascribe to the Lord, you families of the peoples; ascribe to the Lord honour and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth tremble before him.

Tell it out among the nations that the Lord is king. He has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

O worship the Lord **in the beauty of holiness**

Reading

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

And Mary sang...

Luke 1.39-46

Please stand, if you are able.

Magnificat

My soul proclaims you, mighty God. My spirit sings your praise. You look on me, you lift me up, and gladness fills my days.

All nations now will share my joy; your gifts you have outpoured. Your little one you have made great; I magnify my Lord.

For those who love your holy name, your mercy will not die. Your strong right arm puts down the proud and lifts the lowly high.

You fill the hungry with good things, the rich you send away. The promise made to Abraham is filled to endless day.

To Father, Son and Holy Ghost, be glory, wonder and praise. As it was, is now and evermore, Amen, to the end of days.

Words: Anne Carter (1944–1993); last verse adapted

Music: 'Amazing Grace', American trad. arr. Edwin Excell (1851–1921)

Please sit.

Prayers

We pray in silence for a moment.

Collect

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

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.

Please stand, if you are able.

Hymn

At the name of Jesus ev'ry knee shall bow, ev'ry tongue confess him King of glory now; 'tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord, who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

Humbled for a season to receive a name from the lips of sinners unto whom he came, faithfully he bore it spotless to the last, brought it back victorious when from death he passed;

Bore it up triumphant with its human light, thro' all ranks of creatures to the central height, to the throne of Godhead, to the Father's breast, filled it with the glory of that perfect rest.

In your hearts enthrone him; there let him subdue all that is not holy, all that is not true; he is God the Saviour he is Christ the Lord; ever to be worshipped, trusted and adored.

Words: Caroline Noel (1817–1877)

Tune: 'Evelyns' W. H. Monk (1823–1889)

Conclusion

All 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.

Let us bless the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

One of the Archbishops may give a Blessing.

FRIDAY 8th JULY 2022

NIGHT PRAYER (COMPLINE)

Please join in all texts in **bold**.

We remain seated throughout, except for the Nunc dimittis.

The Lord almighty grant us a quiet night and a perfect end.

All Amen.

Our help is in the name of the Lord

All who made heaven and earth.

A period of silence for reflection on the past day may follow.

All Most merciful God,

we confess to you, before the whole company of heaven and one another, that we have sinned in thought, word and deed and in what we have failed to do. Forgive us our sins, heal us by your Spirit and raise us to new life in Christ. Amen.

O God, make speed to save us.

- All O Lord, make haste to help us.
- All Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

We sing the traditional evening hymn:

Before the ending of the day, creator of the world, we pray that you, with steadfast love, would keep your watch around us while we sleep.

From evil dreams defend our sight, from fears and terrors of the night; tread underfoot our deadly foe that we no sinful thought may know.

O Father, that we ask be done through Jesus Christ, your only Son; and Holy Spirit, by whose breath our souls are raised to life from death.

Psalm 139.1–3, 17–18, 23–24

O Lord, you have searched me out and known me; you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

You mark out my journeys and my resting place and are acquainted with all my ways.

For there is not a word on my tongue, but you, O Lord, know it altogether.

How deep are your counsels to me, O God! How great is the sum of them!

If I count them, they are more in number than the sand, and at the end, I am still in your presence.

Search me out, O God, and know my heart; try me and examine my thoughts.

See if there is any way of wickedness in me and lead me in the way everlasting.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

Reading

God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him.

1 Thessalonians 5.9,10

Responsory

Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

All Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

For you have redeemed me, Lord God of truth.

All I commend my spirit.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

All Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

Keep me as the apple of your eye.

All Hide me under the shadow of your wings.

Please stand, if you are able.

Nunc Dimittis

All Save us, O Lord, while waking, and guard us while sleeping, that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep may rest in peace.

Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled.

My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of every people;

A light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

Save us, O Lord, while waking, and guard us while sleeping, that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep may rest in peace.

Please sit.

Prayers

Intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered here.

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer may be said.

Conclusion

In peace we will lie down and sleep;

for you alone, Lord, make us dwell in safety. All

Abide with us, Lord Jesus,

for the night is at hand and the day is now past.

All

As the night watch looks for the morning,

All so do we look for you, O Christ.

Come with the dawning of the day

All and make yourself known in the breaking of the bread.

The Lord bless us and watch over us; the Lord make his face shine upon us and be gracious to us; the Lord look kindly on us and give us peace.

All Amen.

SATURDAY 9th JULY 2022

OPENING WORSHIP

ECO-CHURCH

Please join in all texts in **bold**.

We begin seated.

O Lord, open our lips.

All And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Blessed are you, Lord God, creator of heaven and earth. Your Word calls all things into being, and the light of dawn awakens us to life. May your wisdom guide us this day that we may cherish and care for your good creation, and offer to you the sacrifice of our lips, praising you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All Blessed be God for ever.

Please stand, if you are able.

Hymn

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed!

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee, how great thou art, how great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur, and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze;

Then sings my soul...

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!

Then sings my soul...

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Please sit.

Psalm 148.1–10

O praise the name of the Lord.

Alleluia. Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights.

Praise him, all you his angels; praise him, all his host.

Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you stars of light.

Praise him, heaven of heavens, and you waters above the heavens.

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created.

He made them fast for ever and ever; he gave them a law which shall not pass away.

Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps;

Fire and hail, snow and mist, tempestuous wind, fulfilling his word;

Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars;

Wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and birds on the wing.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

O praise the name of the Lord.

Reading

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' And he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Jesus said to him, 'Lord, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.'(He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, 'Follow me.'

John 21.15–19

The heavens proclaim the glory of God: And the firmament shows God's handiwork.

AllThe firmament shows God's handiwork:And one day pours out its song to another.from Psalm 19

In peace let us pray to the Father, through the Son and in the power of the Holy Spirit, who make, sustain and renew all things.

Heavenly Father, we pray for your church throughout the world that we may be faithful to our baptism. With the dawn of each day, may we be awakened to the beauty of the earth and rejoice in the wonder and diversity of creation in all its forms and colour.

Lord, hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

Lord of life, as all living things depend on the good quality of the air, the soil and water,

may your wisdom guide us as we care for the environment.

Deliver us from selfishness and rapacious greed.

Help us to share the rich resources of this world gladly and justly, in the cause of stability and peace between nations and peoples.

Lord, hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

Lord of all, you made the earth and saw that it was good, but like robbers we have stripped it of its treasure. Now the earth cries out and your people hunger and thirst. Open our eyes to see the pain of your creation. Move us with compassion for your world and future generations. Lead us to act as neighbours, who do not pass by on the other side.

Lord, hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us

Words from the Community of the Sisters of the Church, Solomon Islands Province, Anglican Church of Melanesia, for the Lambeth Conference Prayer Guide. Lord of the universe, you have created this beautiful world and entrusted it to our care to respect and protect it. Help us to see creation through your eyes that we may see your beauty, goodness and the wonder that surrounds us. You came to set us free from bondage so help us to care for our mother earth that feeds us daily.

Lord, hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us

Lord of the universe, You have made us from the stuff of the earth, and to earth we shall return. May we tread lightly upon this earth and succeed in the innovation and development of sources of renewable energy and green technology. By your grace, may we live our days wisely, live sustainably, and at the last come with all your saints into paradise and enjoy creation made new.

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.

Please stand, if you are able.

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain. I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone
I will speak my words to them. Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord ...

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord ...

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Conclusion

Tend the earth, care for God's good creation, and bring forth the fruits of righteousness. Go in the peace of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

Sources:

'A Time for Creation: Liturgical resources for the Creation and the Environment' Church House Publishing 2020 Lambeth Conference Prayer Guide 2022

SATURDAY 9th JULY 2022

CLOSING WORSHIP

HOPE

Please join in all texts in **bold**.

We begin seated.

O God, make speed to save us.

All O Lord, make haste to help us.

Blessed are you, Lord God, creator of day and night: to you be praise and glory for ever. As darkness falls you renew your promise to reveal among us the light of your presence. By the light of Christ, your living Word, dispel the darkness of our hearts that we may walk as children of light and sing your praise throughout the world. Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

All Blessed be God for ever.

Please stand, if you are able.

Song

As the deer pants for the water so my soul longs after you. You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship you. You alone are my strength, my shield, to you alone may my spirit yield. You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship you.

I want you more than gold or silver, only you can satisfy. You alone are the real joy-giver and the apple of my eye.

You alone are my strength, my shield...

You're my friend and you are my brother even though you are a king. I love you more than any other, so much more than anything.

You alone are my strength, my shield...

Words: based on Psalm 42

Music: Martin Nystrom (1956–)

Please sit.

That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful, let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As our evening prayer rises before you, O God, so may your mercy come down upon us to cleanse our hearts and set us free to sing your praise now and for ever.

All Amen.

Psalm 131

O Israel, trust in the Lord.

O Lord, my heart is not proud; my eyes are not raised in haughty looks.

I do not occupy myself with great matters, with things that are too high for me.

But I have quieted and stilled my soul, like a weaned child on its mother's breast; so my soul is quieted within me.

O Israel, trust in the Lord, from this time forth for evermore.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

O Israel, trust in the Lord.

Reading

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

Matthew 28.16-20

Since, then, we have such a hope,

All we act with great boldness.

2 Corinthians 3.12

Silent Reflection

Introduced by the Chaplain, this will last for several minutes.

Please stand, if you are able.

Magnificat

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord: unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice; tender to me the promise of his word; in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name: make known his might, the deeds his arm has done; his mercy sure, from age to age to same; his holy Name - the Lord, the Mighty One.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might: powers and dominions lay their glory by. Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight, the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word: firm is his promise, and his mercy sure. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord to children's children and for evermore!

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926–)

Tune: 'Woodlands' W. Greatorex (1877–1949)

Collect and Lord's Prayer

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

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.

Conclusion

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.

Let us bless the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

One of the Archbishops may give a Blessing.

SATURDAY 9th JULY 2022

COMPLINE (NIGHT PRAYER)

Please join in all texts in **bold**.

We remain seated throughout, except for the Nunc dimittis.

The Lord almighty grant us a quiet night and a perfect end.

All Amen.

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: whom resist, steadfast in the faith. *1 Peter 5.8,9*

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

All Thanks be to God.

Our help is in the name of the Lord

All who hath made heaven and earth.

We reflect in silence on the past day.

We confess to God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, that we have sinned in thought, word and deed, through our own grievous fault. Wherefore we pray God to have mercy upon us. Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us all our sins and deliver us from all evil, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and bring us to life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. May the almighty and merciful Lord grant unto us pardon and remission of all our sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

O God, make speed to save us.

All O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

All as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.

All The Lord's name be praised.

Evening hymn

Before the ending of the day, Creator of the world we pray, that with thy wonted favour thou wouldst be our guard and keeper now.

From all ill dreams defend our eyes, from nightly fears and fantasies; tread underfoot our ghostly foe, that no pollution we may know.

O Father, that we ask be done, through Jesus Christ, thine only Son; who, with the Holy Ghost and thee, doth live and reign eternally. In thee, O Lord, have I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion, deliver me in thy righteousness.

Bow down thine ear to me: make haste to deliver me.

And be thou my strong rock, and house of defence: that thou mayest save me.

For thou art my strong rock, and my castle: be thou also my guide, and lead me for thy name's sake.

Draw me out of the net, that they have laid privily for me: for thou art my strength.

Into thy hands I commend my spirit: for thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth.

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.

Scripture reading

Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Hebrews 13.20, 21

Responsory

Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

All Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

For thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth.

All I commend my spirit.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

All Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

Keep me as the apple of an eye.

All Hide me under the shadow of thy wings.

Please stand, if you are able.

Nunc dimittis

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.

Please sit.

Prayers

Lord, have mercy upon us.

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

Blessed art thou, Lord God of our fathers:

All **to be praised and glorified above all for ever.** Let us bless the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost:

All let us praise him and magnify him for ever.

Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven:

All to be praised and glorified above all for ever.

The almighty and most merciful Lord guard us and give us his blessing.

All Amen.

Let us pray.

Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the silent hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this fleeting world, may repose upon thy eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

We will lay us down in peace and take our rest.

All For it is thou, Lord, only that makest us dwell in safety.

Abide with us, O Lord,

All for it is toward evening and the day is far spent.

As the watchmen look for the morning,

All so do we look for thee, O Christ.

Come with the dawning of the day

All and make thyself known in the breaking of bread.

The Lord be with you

All and with thy spirit.

Let us bless the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, bless us and preserve us.

All Amen.

SUNDAY 10th JULY 2022

EVENING WORSHIP

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

Peace be with you

All And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your Holy Spirit to the Church to lead us into all truth: bless with the Spirit's grace and presence those gathered here this evening that in the task set before us we would keep us steadfast in faith and united in love that we may manifest your glory and prepare the way of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ your son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

All Amen.

Readings from Scripture

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name.

John 15.12-16

For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began.

For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

2 Timothy 1.6–9a, 11–14

There is a period of silence, after which we sing two Taize chants:

Stay with me. Remain here with me. Watch and pray. Watch and pray.

Ubi caritas et amor, ubi caritas, Deus ibi est.

(Where charity and love are found, God is there.)

That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful:*All* we pray to you, O Lord.

O Lord hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer, when I call answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

That the guidance of the Holy Spirit may lead us in the decisions we have to make this evening:

All we pray to you, O Lord.

O Lord hear my prayer...

That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our prejudices, our desire for control and determination to seek our own will:

All we pray to you, O Lord.

O Lord hear my prayer...

That there may be peace in this place, in your Church and for the whole world:

All we pray to you, O Lord.

O Lord hear my prayer...

That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ:

All we pray to you, O Lord.

O Lord hear my prayer...

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.

O Lord hear my prayer...

We sing the Taizé chant:

Stay with me. Remain here with me. Watch and pray. Watch and pray.

As we enter into this time of deliberation, let us pray for God's guidance and commit to God the process:

Holy God, help us to discern your will as we cast our votes; Help us to uphold our commitment to our common life together as your children; make us attentive to your voice tonight in this process and in the whole life of the Church; enable us to marvel at your world and your people and make us ever mindful of your mission and our calling to participate therein. Guide us as we share our gifts and talents, help us to enable others to do the same through leadership and service, as we work together to your glory. In all our words and deeds, in our thinking and in our being still, may the name of Jesus be honoured, his kingdom advanced and his glory revealed in the power of the Holy Spirit. We pray this through the same Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

May the Spirit of truth lead us into all truth, give us grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and strengthen us to proclaim the word and works of God.

Let us proceed in peace.

All Thanks be to God.

After the voting has taken place, worship concludes with Compline.

Please join in all texts in **bold**.

We remain seated throughout, except for the Nunc dimittis.

The Lord almighty grant us a quiet night and a perfect end.

All Amen.

Our help is in the name of the Lord

All who made heaven and earth.

A period of silence for reflection on the past day may follow.

 All Most merciful God, we confess to you, before the whole company of heaven and one another, that we have sinned in thought, word and deed and in what we have failed to do.
 Forgive us our sins, heal us by your Spirit and raise us to new life in Christ. Amen.

O God, make speed to save us.

- All O Lord, make haste to help us.
- All Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

We sing the traditional evening hymn:

Before the ending of the day, creator of the world, we pray that you, with steadfast love, would keep your watch around us while we sleep. From evil dreams defend our sight, from fears and terrors of the night; tread underfoot our deadly foe that we no sinful thought may know.

O Father, that we ask be done through Jesus Christ, your only Son; and Holy Spirit, by whose breath our souls are raised to life from death.

Psalm 104.1, 17-18, 21-33

Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, how excellent is your greatness!

Oil to give us a cheerful countenance and bread to strengthen our hearts.

The trees of the Lord are full of sap, the cedars of Lebanon which he planted.

You appointed the moon to mark the seasons, and the sun knows the time for its setting.

You make darkness that it may be night, in which all the beasts of the forest creep forth.

The lions roar for their prey and seek their food from God.

The sun rises and they are gone to lay themselves down in their dens.

People go forth to their work and to their labour until the evening.

O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

There is the sea, spread far and wide, and there move creatures beyond number, both small and great. There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan which you have made to play in the deep.

All of these look to you to give them their food in due season.

When you give it them, they gather it; you open your hand and they are filled with good.

When you hide your face they are troubled; when you take away their breath, they die and return again to the dust.

When you send forth your spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; may the Lord rejoice in his works.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

Reading

You, O Lord, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; leave us not, O Lord our God!

Jeremiah 14.9

Responsory

Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

All Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

For you have redeemed me, Lord God of truth.

All I commend my spirit.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

All Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

Keep me as the apple of your eye.

All Hide me under the shadow of your wings.

Please stand, if you are able.

Nunc Dimittis

All Save us, O Lord, while waking, and guard us while sleeping, that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep may rest in peace.

Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled.

My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of every people;

A light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

Save us, O Lord, while waking, and guard us while sleeping, that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep may rest in peace.

Please sit.

Intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered here.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer may be said.

Conclusion

In peace we will lie down and sleep;

All for you alone, Lord, make us dwell in safety. Abide with us, Lord Jesus,

All for the night is at hand and the day is now past.

As the night watch looks for the morning,

All so do we look for you, O Christ.

Come with the dawning of the day

All and make yourself known in the breaking of the bread.

The Lord bless us and watch over us; the Lord make his face shine upon us and be gracious to us; the Lord look kindly on us and give us peace.

All Amen.

MONDAY 11th JULY 2022: St Benedict

OPENING WORSHIP

DISABILITY

Please join in all texts in **bold**.

O Lord open our lips.

All and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

The night has passed and the day lies open before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Psalm 139.1–16

Search me out, O God, and know my heart.

O Lord, you have searched me out and known me; you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

You mark out my journeys and my resting place and are acquainted with all my ways.

For there is not a word on my tongue, but you, O Lord, know it altogether.

You encompass me behind and before and lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, so high that I cannot attain it.

Where can I go then from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence?

If I climb up to heaven, you are there; if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.

If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,

Even there your hand shall lead me, your right hand hold me fast.

If I say, 'Surely the darkness will cover me and the light around me turn to night,'

Even darkness is no darkness with you; the night is as clear as the day; darkness and light to you are both alike.

For you yourself created my inmost parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

I thank you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvellous are your works, my soul knows well.

My frame was not hidden from you, when I was made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes beheld my form, as yet unfinished; already in your book were all my members written,

As day by day they were fashioned when as yet there was none of them.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

Reading

One day, while Jesus was teaching, Pharisees and teachers of the law were sitting nearby (they had come from every village of Galilee and Judea and from Jerusalem); and the power of the Lord was with him to heal. Just then some men came, carrying a paralysed man on a bed. They were trying to bring him in and lay him before Jesus; but finding no way to bring him in because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and let him down with his bed through the tiles into the middle of the crowd in front of Jesus.

When he saw their faith, he said, 'Friend, your sins are forgiven you.' Then the scribes and the Pharisees began to question, 'Who is this who is speaking blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God alone?' When Jesus perceived their questionings, he answered them, 'Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? Which is easier, to say, "Your sins are forgiven you", or to say, "Stand up and walk"? But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins'—he said to the one who was paralysed—'I say to you, stand up and take your bed and go to your home.' Immediately he stood up before them, took what he had been lying on, and went to his home, glorifying God. Amazement seized all of them, and they glorified God and were filled with awe, saying, 'We have seen strange things today.'

Luke 5.17–26

Reflection

The Revd Canon Tim Goode

Benedictus

In your tender compassion, O God, the dawn from on high shall break upon us.

Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel, who has come to his people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets God promised of old to save us from our enemies, from the hands of all that hate us,

To show mercy to our ancestors, and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham: to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

Free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

To give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of all their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

You promised, O God, to save us from our enemies, from the hands of all that hate us.

We pray in silence for a moment.

In communion with Benedict and all the saints, let us commend the world to the mercy and protection of God.

All Amen.

Eternal God, who made Benedict a wise master in the school of your service and a guide to many called into community to follow the rule of Christ: grant that we may put your love before all else and seek with joy the way of your commandments; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

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.

Conclusion

The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil, and keep us in eternal life.

All Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

MONDAY 11th JULY 2022: St Benedict

COMPLINE

LISTEN

Please join in all texts in **bold**.

We begin seated.

The Lord almighty grant us a quiet night and a perfect end.

All Amen.

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: whom resist, steadfast in the faith. 1 Peter 5.8,9

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Thanks be to God. All

Our help is in the name of the Lord

who hath made heaven and earth. All

We reflect in silence on the past day.

We confess to God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, that we have sinned in thought, word and deed, through our own grievous fault. Wherefore we pray God to have mercy upon us. Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us all our sins and deliver us from all evil, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and bring us to life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

May the almighty and merciful Lord grant unto us pardon and remission of all our sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

O God, make speed to save us.

All O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

All as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.

All The Lord's name be praised.

Please stand, if you are able.

Evening hymn

Before the ending of the day, Creator of the world we pray, that with thy wonted favour thou wouldst be our guard and keeper now.

From all ill dreams defend our eyes, from nightly fears and fantasies; tread underfoot our ghostly foe, that no pollution we may know.

O Father, that we ask be done, through Jesus Christ, thine only Son; who, with the Holy Ghost and thee, doth live and reign eternally.

Please sit.

Have mercy upon me, O God, and hearken unto my prayer.

Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness : thou hast set me at liberty when I was in trouble; have mercy upon me, and hearken unto my prayer.

O ye sons of men, how long will ye blaspheme mine honour : and have such pleasure in vanity, and seek after leasing?

Know this also, that the Lord hath chosen to himself the man that is godly : when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.

Stand in awe, and sin not : commune with your own heart, and in your chamber, and be still.

Offer the sacrifice of righteousness : and put your trust in the Lord.

There be many that say : Who will shew us any good?

Lord, lift thou up : the light of thy countenance upon us.

Thou hast put gladness in my heart : since the time that their corn, and wine, and oil increased.

I will lay me down in peace, and take my rest : for it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

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.

Have mercy upon me, O God, and hearken unto my prayer.

Scripture reading

Jesus said to Pontius Pilate, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.' Pilate asked him, 'What is truth?'

John 18.36–38

Reflection

The Chaplain

Responsory

Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

All Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

For thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth.

All I commend my spirit.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

All Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

Keep me as the apple of an eye.

All Hide me under the shadow of thy wings.

Nunc dimittis

Sung by the Synod Choir, in the 'Short Service' setting by Orlando Gibbons (1583–1625).

Prayers

Lord, have mercy upon us.

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

Blessed art thou, Lord God of our fathers:

All **to be praised and glorified above all for ever.** Let us bless the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost:

All let us praise him and magnify him for ever.

Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven:

All to be praised and glorified above all for ever.

The almighty and most merciful Lord guard us and give us his blessing.

All Amen.

Let us pray.

Look down, O Lord, from thy heavenly throne, illuminate the darkness of this night with thy celestial brightness, and from the children of light banish the deeds of darkness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the silent hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this fleeting world, may repose upon thy eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Choir motet

In pace in idipsum, dormiam et requiescam. Si dedero somnum occulis meis et palpebris meis dormitationem dormiam et requiescam. Gloria Patri et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto.

Words: from the Compline service

In peace and into the same I shall sleep and rest. If I give slumber to my eyes and to my eyelids drowsiness, I shall sleep and rest. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Music: John Blitheman (1525–1591)

We will lay us down in peace and take our rest.

All For it is thou, Lord, only that makest us dwell in safety.

Abide with us, O Lord,

All for it is toward evening and the day is far spent.

As the watchmen look for the morning,

All so do we look for thee, O Christ.

Come with the dawning of the day

All and make thyself known in the breaking of bread.

The Lord be with you

All and with thy spirit.

Let us bless the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, bless us and preserve us.

All Amen.

TUESDAY 12th JULY 2022

OPENING WORSHIP

HUMILITY

Please join in all texts in **bold**.

We begin seated.

O Lord open our lips.

All and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

The night has passed and the day lies open before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Psalm 25.3-8

Remember, Lord, Your compassion and love.

Make me to know your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you have I hoped all the day long.

Remember, Lord, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.

Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions, but think on me in your goodness, O Lord, according to your steadfast love.

Gracious and upright is the Lord; therefore shall he teach sinners in the way.

He will guide the humble in doing right and teach his way to the lowly.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

Remember, Lord, Your compassion and love.

Reading

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: 'Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax-collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, "God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax-collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income."

But the tax-collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.'

Luke 18.9–14

All who exalt themselves will be humbled,

All and all who humble themselves will be exalted. Luke 14.11

Reflection

The Chaplain

Please stand, if you are able.

Benedictus

Now bless the God of Israel who comes in love and power, who raises from the royal house deliv'rance in this hour. Through holy prophets God has sworn to free us from alarm, to save us from the heavy hand of all who wish us harm.

Remembering the covenant, God rescues us from fear, that we might serve in holiness and peace from year to year. And you, my child, shall go before, to preach, to prophesy, that all may know the tender love, the grace of God most high.

In tender mercy, God will send the dayspring from on high, our rising sun, the light of life for those who sit and sigh. God comes to guide our way to peace,

that death shall reign no more.

Sing praises to the Holy One, O worship and adore.

To God the Father, fount of grace, through his beloved Son, with God their Spirit, bond of love, be glory ever One.

Words: Ruth Duck (1947–); doxology: James Quinn SJ (1919–2010)

Music: 'Kingsfold' R. Vaughan-Williams (1872–1958) O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

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.

Choir anthem

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song. Be ye sure that the Lord he is God; it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name. For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth from generation to generation. 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: Psalm 100

Music: C. V. Stanford, his setting in B flat

Conclusion

The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil, and keep us in eternal life.

All Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Jesus looked up to heaven and said 'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

John 17.20–26

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