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## **Evensong**

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## **The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity**

Sunday 15 September 2024  
3.30 p.m.



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## Voluntary

*Please stand at the entry of the choir and ministers*

### Hymn

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds  
In a believer's ear!  
It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds,  
And drives away his fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole,  
And calms the troubled breast;  
'Tis manna to the hungry soul,  
And to the weary rest.

Dear name! the rock on which I build,  
My shield and hiding place,  
My never-failing treasury filled  
With boundless stores of grace.

Jesus! my Shepherd, Brother, Friend,  
My Prophet, Priest, and King,  
My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End,  
Accept the praise I bring.

Weak is the effort of my heart,  
And cold my warmest thought;  
But when I see thee as thou art,  
I'll praise thee as I ought.

Till then I would thy love proclaim  
When every fleeting breath;  
And may the music of thy name  
Refresh my soul in death.

*John Newton*

*ST PETER, Alexander Reinagle*

## **Welcome and Introduction**

*The Reverend Canon Michael Hampel*

Minister            Let us humbly confess our sins to almighty God.

*Please kneel*

**All            Almighty and most merciful Father;  
We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep.  
We have followed too much  
the devices and desires of our own hearts.  
We have offended against thy holy laws.  
We have left undone those things  
which we ought to have done;  
And we have done those things  
which we ought not to have done;  
And there is no health in us.  
But thou, O Lord,  
have mercy upon us, miserable offenders.  
Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults.  
Restore thou them that are penitent;  
According to thy promises declared unto mankind  
in Christ Jesu our Lord.  
And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake;  
That we may hereafter  
live a godly, righteous, and sober life,  
To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

Minister            May the almighty and merciful God  
grant unto you pardon and remission of all your sins,  
time for amendment of life,  
and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit.

**All            Amen.**

**All            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:  
for thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.

*Please stand*

**Preces**

*Humphrey Lucas*

Cantor O Lord, open thou our lips.  
Choir And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us.  
O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.  
The Lord's name be praised.

*Please sit*

**Psalm 119: 73-88**

*sung by the Choir*

Thy hands have made me and fashioned me :  
O give me understanding, that I may learn thy  
commandments.  
They that fear thee will be glad when they see me :  
because I have put my trust in thy word.  
I know, O Lord, that thy judgements are right :  
and that thou of very faithfulness  
hast caused me to be troubled.

O let thy merciful kindness be my comfort :  
according to thy word unto thy servant.  
O let thy loving mercies come unto me, that I may live :  
for thy law is my delight.  
Let the proud be confounded,  
for they go wickedly about to destroy me :  
but I will be occupied in thy commandments.  
Let such as fear thee, and have known thy testimonies :  
be turned unto me.  
O let my heart be sound in thy statutes :  
that I be not ashamed.  
My soul hath longed for thy salvation :  
and I have a good hope because of thy word.  
Mine eyes long sore for thy word :  
saying, O when wilt thou comfort me?  
For I am become like a bottle in the smoke :  
yet do I not forget thy statutes.  
How many are the days of thy servant :  
when wilt thou be avenged of them that persecute me?  
The proud have digged pits for me :  
which are not after thy law.  
All thy commandments are true :  
they persecute me falsely; O be thou my help.  
They had almost made an end of me upon earth :  
but I forsook not thy commandments.  
O quicken me after thy loving-kindness :  
and so shall I keep the testimonies of thy mouth.

*Please stand*

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*

The next day Moses sat as judge for the people, while the people stood around him from morning until evening. When Moses' father-in-law saw all that he was doing for the people, he said, 'What is this that you are doing for the people? Why do you sit alone, while all the people stand around you from morning until evening?' Moses said to his father-in-law, 'Because the people come to me to inquire of God. When they have a dispute, they come to me and I decide between one person and another, and I make known to them the statutes and instructions of God.' Moses' father-in-law said to him, 'What you are doing is not good. You will surely wear yourself out, both you and these people with you. For the task is too heavy for you; you cannot do it alone. Now listen to me. I will give you counsel, and God be with you! You should represent the people before God, and you should bring their cases before God; teach them the statutes and instructions and make known to them the way they are to go and the things they are to do. You should also look for able men among all the people, men who fear God, are trustworthy, and hate dishonest gain; set such men over them as officers over thousands, hundreds, fifties and tens. Let them sit as judges for the people at all times; let them bring every important case to you, but decide every minor case themselves. So it will be easier for you, and they will bear the burden with you. If you do this, and God so commands you, then you will be able to endure, and all these people will go to their home in peace.' So Moses listened to his father-in-law and did all that he had said. Moses chose able men from all Israel and appointed them as heads over the people, as officers over thousands, hundreds, fifties, and tens. And they judged the people at all times; hard cases they brought to Moses, but any minor case they decided themselves.

*After a short silence, all stand with the choir*

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 showed 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.

*Please sit*

Jesus said, 'Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. For with the judgement you make you will be judged, and the measure you give will be the measure you get. Why do you see the speck in your neighbour's eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? Or how can you say to your neighbour, "Let me take the speck out of your eye", while the log is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your neighbour's eye. Do not give what is holy to dogs; and do not throw your pearls before swine, or they will trample them under foot and turn and maul you. Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for bread, will give a stone? Or if the child asks for a fish, will give a snake? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good things to those who ask him! In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets. Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the road is easy that leads to destruction, and there are many who take it. For the gate is narrow and the road is hard that leads to life, and there are few who find it.'

*After a short silence, all stand with the choir*

**Nunc dimittis**

*William Walton: The Chichester Service*

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 face east*

## **The Apostles' Creed**

**All**                **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 Lesser Litany, Responses and Collects**

*Humphrey Clucas*

**Cantor**            **The Lord be with you.**  
**Choir**              **And with thy spirit.**

*Please kneel*

**Cantor**            **Let us pray.**

**Choir**              **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 King.  
And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy ministers with righteousness.  
And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people.  
And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord.  
Because there is none other that fighteth for us,  
but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us.  
And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

*The Collect for the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity*

O Lord, we beseech thee,  
let thy continual pity cleanse and defend thy Church;  
and, because it cannot continue in safety  
without thy succour,  
preserve it evermore by thy help and goodness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Collect for peace*

O God, from whom all holy desires,  
all good counsels, and all just works do proceed:  
give unto thy servants that peace  
which the world cannot give;  
that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments,  
and also that by thee  
we being defended from the fear of our enemies  
may pass our time in rest and quietness;  
through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

*The Collect for aid against all perils*

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee O Lord;  
and by thy great mercy  
defend us from all perils and dangers of this night;  
for the love of thy only Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Please sit*

**Anthem**      Lord, I call upon thee      *sung by the Choir*

Lord, I call upon thee, haste thee unto me:  
and consider my voice when I cry unto thee.  
Let my prayer be set forth in thy sight as the incense:  
and let the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice.  
But mine enemies live, and are mighty:  
and they that hate me wrongfully are many in number.  
They also that reward evil for good are against me:  
because I follow the thing that good is.  
Forsake me not, O Lord my God: be not thou far from me.  
Haste thee to help me:  
I will lay me down in peace, and take my rest:  
for it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

*Verses from Psalms 4, 38 and 141*

*Edward Bairstow*

*Please kneel*

*The prayers conclude with the Grace*

**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.**

*Please stand to sing the hymn*

**Hymn**            Glorious things of thee are spoken,  
                      Sion, city of our God;  
He whose word cannot be broken  
                      Formed thee for his own abode:  
On the Rock of Ages founded,  
                      What can shake thy sure repose?  
With salvation's walls surrounded,  
                      Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

See, the streams of living waters,  
                      Springing from eternal love,  
Well supply thy sons and daughters,  
                      And all fear of want remove:  
Who can faint, while such a river  
                      Ever flows their thirst to assuage?  
Grace, which like the Lord the giver,  
                      Never fails from age to age.

Saviour, if of Sion's city  
                      I through grace a member am,  
Let the world deride or pity,  
                      I will glory in thy name:  
Fading is the worldling's pleasure,  
                      All his boasted pomp and show;  
Solid joys and lasting treasure  
                      None but Sion's children know.

## The Blessing

Minister        The peace of God, which passeth all understanding,  
                     keep your hearts and minds  
                     in the knowledge and love of God  
                     and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;  
                     and the blessing of God almighty,  
                     the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
                     be among you and remain with you always.

Choir            Amen.

**Voluntary**     Prelude in C

*Edward Bairstow*

### *Daily services this week*

*At 8.30 a.m., **Morning Prayer** (live-streamed) is said in the Feretory from Monday to Saturday.*

*At 12.30 p.m., **Holy Communion** is celebrated each weekday in the North Transept apart from on Saturday 21 September when it is celebrated at the High Altar. These services are not live-streamed.*

*At 5.30 p.m., **Evensong** is sung from Monday to Saturday (live-streamed from Monday to Friday).*

***Compline** is said on Monday at 8.45 p.m. (live-streamed only).*

***Feast days:** the Church celebrates St Matthew's Day on Saturday 21 September.*

*Next Sunday—The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity: **Holy Communion** (BCP) is celebrated at 8.00 a.m., the **Sung Eucharist and Holy Baptism** is celebrated at 10.00 a.m., **Matins** is sung at 11.30 a.m. and **Evensong** is sung at 3.30 p.m.*

### **The Precentors' Conference 2024**

The precentors of England's cathedrals gather each year in a different cathedral for a residential conference and this coming week we are delighted to be acting as host to over 30 clergy who have a role similar to that of Michael Hampel and Daniel Parkinson, overseeing the liturgical life of their cathedral. This year we are exploring the theme of 'civic engagement and public square ministry' looking at how cathedrals are spiritual platforms for local and regional organisations and special interest groups to celebrate and commemorate who they are what they do. Here we will celebrate Durham Cathedral's special links with the mining heritage of the region and the communities which survived the closure of the mines in recent decades. If you see any precentors wandering around, do give them a warm welcome!

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