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THE SHRINE OF ST CUTHBERT

Festal Evensong

on

Trinity Sunday

Sunday 26 May 2024

3.30 p.m.

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The service is sung by the Wheatsheaf Consort

Voluntary

Please stand at the entry of the Choir and ministers

Hymn

Father of heaven, whose love profound
A ransom for our souls hath found,
Before thy throne we sinners bend:
To us thy pardoning love extend.

Almighty Son, incarnate Word,
Our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord,
Before thy throne we sinners bend:
To us thy saving grace extend.

Eternal Spirit, by whose breath
The soul is raised from sin and death,
Before Thy throne we sinners bend:
To us Thy quickening power extend.

Thrice holy! Father, Spirit, Son,
Mysterious Godhead, Three in One,
Before Thy throne we sinners bend:
Grace, pardon, life, to us extend. Amen.

Edward Cooper

RIEVAULX, J B Dykes

Welcome and Introduction

The Reverend Canon Charlie Allen

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

Philip Radcliffe

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

Praise the Lord, O my soul :
 O Lord my God, thou art become exceeding glorious;
 thou art clothed with majesty and honour.
Thou deckest thyself with light as it were with a garment :
 and spreadest out the heavens like a curtain.
Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters :
 and maketh the clouds his chariot,
 and walketh upon the wings of the wind.
He maketh his angels spirits :
 and his ministers a flaming fire.
He laid the foundations of the earth :
 that it never should move at any time.
Thou coveredst it with the deep like as with a garment :
 the waters stand in the hills.
At thy rebuke they flee :
 at the voice of thy thunder they are afraid.
They go up as high as the hills,
 and down to the valleys beneath :
 even unto the place which thou hast appointed for them.
Thou hast set them their bounds which they shall not pass :
 neither turn again to cover the earth.

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

As I looked, a stormy wind came out of the north: a great cloud with brightness around it and fire flashing forth continually, and in the middle of the fire, something like gleaming amber. In the middle of it was something like four living creatures. This was their appearance: they were of human form. Each had four faces, and each of them had four wings. Their legs were straight, and the soles of their feet were like the sole of a calf's foot; and they sparkled like burnished bronze. Under their wings on their four sides they had human hands. And the four had their faces and their wings thus: their wings touched one another; each of them moved straight ahead, without turning as they moved. As for the appearance of their faces: the four had the face of a human being, the face of a lion on the right side, the face of an ox on the left side, and the face of an eagle;

Over the heads of the living creatures there was something like a dome, shining like crystal, spread out above their heads. Under the dome their wings were stretched out straight, one towards another; and each of the creatures had two wings covering its body. When they moved, I heard the sound of their wings like the sound of mighty waters, like the thunder of the Almighty, a sound of tumult like the sound of an army; when they stopped, they let down their wings. And there came a voice from above the dome over their heads; when they stopped, they let down their wings.

And above the dome over their heads there was something like a throne, in appearance like sapphire; and seated above the likeness of a throne was something that seemed like a human form. Upwards from what appeared like the loins I saw something like gleaming amber, something that looked like fire enclosed all round; and downwards from what looked like the loins I saw something that looked like fire, and there was a splendour all round. Like the bow in a cloud on a rainy day, such was the appearance of the splendour all round. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD.

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

After this I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, 'Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.' At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! And the one seated there looks like jasper and cornelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God; and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal.

Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing,

'Holy, holy, holy,
the Lord God the Almighty,
who was and is and is to come.'

And whenever the living creatures give glory and honour and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives for ever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives for ever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing,

'You are worthy, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honour and power,
for you created all things,
and by your will they existed and were created.'

After a short silence, all stand with the Choir

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 remain standing, and turn to the 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

Philip Radcliffe

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 of Trinity Sunday

Almighty and everlasting God,
who hast given unto us thy servants grace,
by the confession of a true faith
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity,
and in the power of the Divine Majesty
to worship the Unity:
We beseech thee,
that thou wouldest keep us stedfast in this faith,
and evermore defend us from all adversities,
who livest and reignest, one God, world without end.
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

I saw the Lord

sung by the Choir

I saw the Lord sitting upon a Throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the Temple. Above it stood the Seraphim: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. And one cried unto another, Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of Hosts; the whole earth is full of his Glory. And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.

O Trinity! O Unity!
Be present as we worship thee,
And with the songs that angels sing
Unite the hymns of praise we bring. Amen.

Isaiah 6. 1 - 4;

John Stainer

the final verse of Ave, colenda Trinitas,

Latin 11th century, translated by John David Chambers

Please kneel

Prayers and the Grace

The Reverend Canon Charlie Allen

Please stand

Hymn

Let all mortal flesh keep silence
And with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly-minded,
For with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descendeth,
Our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,
As of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture,
In the body and the blood:
He will give to all the faithful
His own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven
Spreads its vanguard on the way,
As the Light of light descendeth
From the realms of endless day,
That the powers of hell may vanish
As the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph;
Cherubim with sleepless eye,
Veil their faces to the Presence,
As with ceaseless voice they cry,
Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, Lord most high!

*French carol, probably 17th century,
found in Tiersot's Méloides, Paris*

*PICARDY, Liturgy of St James,
translated by Gerard Moultrie*

The Blessing

Minister God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love,
 defend you on every side,
 and guide you in truth and peace;
 and the blessing of God almighty,
 the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
 be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Voluntary

We are very grateful to the Wheatsheaf Consort for singing this service.

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 (the High Altar on Tuesday and Thursday). These services are not live-streamed.

At 5.30 p.m., **Evening Prayer** is said in the Quire on Tuesday and Wednesday, and Friday and **Evensong** is sung in the Quire on Monday and Saturday (live-streamed Monday to Friday).

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

Feast days: on Thursday 30 May the Church celebrates the Feast of Corpus Christi, when we give thanks for the institution of the Holy Eucharist. A Festal Eucharist with Procession is celebrated in the Cathedral at 5.30 p.m.

Next Sunday—The First Sunday after Trinity: **Holy Communion** (BCP) is celebrated at 8.00 a.m., the **Sung Eucharist** is celebrated at 10.00 a.m., **Morning Prayer with Address** is said in the Quire at 11.30 a.m., and **Evensong** is sung in the Quire at 3.30 p.m.

Peace Doves: an art installation by Peter Walker

We would like to invite you to be part of the creation of our Peace Doves installation which we will be hosting in August. Please share your message or prayer of peace, hope and love by making a Peace Dove at the tables next to the Font.

Student Evensong

Students are welcome to attend Evensong any time but we extend a particular welcome to students at Evensong on Tuesdays. After the service we will offer food and drink with a chance to engage with each other and with the cathedral clergy in a variety of locations and occasionally with other activities too. It starts at 5.30 p.m. and lasts about 40 minutes. Food will be served in the Prior's Hall afterwards and people will be free to go any time.

Durham Churches Together Annual General Meeting

Waddington St United Reformed Church

Wednesday 5th June 2024

7.00 pm to 8.30pm

The Speaker is The Very Revd Dr Philip Plyming, Dean of Durham
Cathedral All Welcome

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