

Preces and Responses: Martin Neary (b1940)

Minister: O Lord, open thou our lips;
Choir: And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.
Minister: O God, make speed to save us;
Choir: O Lord, make haste to help us.

(Congregation please stand)

Minister: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son; and to the Holy Ghost;
Choir: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without
end. Amen
Minister: Praise ye the Lord;
Choir: The Lord's Name be praised.

(Congregation please sit)

Psalm 24 – chant: Joseph Barnby (1838-1896)

The earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is: the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein.
For he hath founded it upon the seas: and prepared it upon the floods.
Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord: or who shall rise up in his holy place?
Even he that hath clean hands, and a pure heart: and that hath not lift up his mind unto vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbour.
He shall receive the blessing from the Lord: and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
This is the generation of them that seek him: even of them that seek thy face, O Jacob.
Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of glory shall come in.
Who is the King of glory: it is the Lord strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.
Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of glory shall come in.
Who is the King of glory: even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

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.

Old Testament Lesson Wisdom 5.1-5,14-16

A reading from the Book of Wisdom

Then the righteous will stand with great confidence
in the presence of those who have oppressed them
and those who make light of their labours.

When the unrighteous see them, they will be shaken with dreadful fear,
and they will be amazed at the unexpected salvation of the righteous.

They will speak to one another in repentance,
and in anguish of spirit they will groan, and say,

'These are persons whom we once held in derision
and made a byword of reproach—fools that we were!

We thought that their lives were madness
and that their end was without honour.

Why have they been numbered among the children of God?

And why is their lot among the saints?

Because the hope of the ungodly is like thistledown carried by the wind,
and like a light frost driven away by a storm;
it is dispersed like smoke before the wind,
and it passes like the remembrance of a guest who stays but a day.

But the righteous live for ever,
and their reward is with the Lord;
the Most High takes care of them.
Therefore they will receive a glorious crown

and a beautiful diadem from the hand of the Lord,
because with his right hand he will cover them,
and with his arm he will shield them.

Here ends the First Lesson

Choir: Herbert Sumsion in A major (1899-1995)

New Testament Lesson Revelation 21.1-4,22-22.5

A reading from the Book of Revelation

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth;

for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.

And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God,
prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne
saying,

'See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away.'

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb.

And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and
its lamp is the Lamb.

The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it.

Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there.

People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations.

But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city.

On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.

Nothing accursed will be found there any more.

But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him;

they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads.

And there will be no more night;

they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever.

Here ends the Second Lesson

Choir: Herbert Sumsion in A major (1899-1995)

(Congregation please stand)

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.

(Congregation please sit)

Minister: The Lord be with you;

Choir: And with thy spirit.

Minister: 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.

Minister: O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
Choir: And grant us thy salvation.
Minister: O Lord, save the Queen;
Choir: And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
Minister: Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;
Choir: And make thy chosen people joyful.

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

Minister: Let us pray.

THE FIRST COLLECT, FOR THE FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

O Almighty God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys which thou hast prepared for them that unfeignedly love thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE SECOND 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 THIRD 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.*

Anthem: *O thou, whose all-redeeming might*
 Plainsong melody, mode vii; arr. David Blackwell (b1961)

Prayers of Intercession

Rev Dr James Garnett We bring to God our prayers for each other, for the world and for the university. Let's pray together.

God of Love – Father, Son and Spirit – we give you thanks for the gift of life, and for your eternal life of love into which you invite us.

We remember before you with thanksgiving those people, alive and dead, who have taught us of your love through their care for us and for others. May we drink from the water of life as they drank, and be so filled with your Spirit that we too share in your work of salvation, bringing comfort to the bereaved, reassurance to the fearful, and hope to the broken hearted.

We remember before you the nations of the world, giving thanks for the diversity of life that enriches our lives and speaks of your beauty. May those living far from their home country know the connection of your love with family and friends who are far away; and may we all grow in our awareness of how our lives are connected across the world as we seek the coming of your kingdom.

We remember before you the work of this University, and give thanks for the community as it fosters research, learning and compassion. May those who seek the truth walk always in your light; and in times of darkness, know with conviction that your everlasting doors of love are always open.

God of Life and Love, we make these prayers with praise and thanksgiving that you have made your home among us. Open our eyes to your presence, today and every day. Amen.

Please stand as you are able as we sing the hymn Rejoice in God's saints today and all days.

Hymn 742 Rejoice in God's saints

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.**

(Congregation please remain standing until the procession has left)

Recessional *Prelude and Fugue in g minor* Nicolaus Bruhns (1637-1718)

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