

The Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity
commonly called

CHRIST CHURCH DUBLIN



Thursday 26 January 2023

Timothy and Titus - Companions of Paul

18.00 Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Choir

Please stand when the choir and clergy enter.

Preces

Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988)

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

The Choir sings the psalm(s) appointed for the day, Psalm 119: 145-176 *Please sit*

I call with my whole heart: hear me, O Lord, I will keep thy statutes. Yea, even unto thee do I call: help me, and I shall keep thy testimonies. Early in the morning do I cry unto thee: for in thy word is my trust. Mine eyes prevent the night-watches: that I might be occupied in thy words. Hear my voice, O Lord, according unto thy loving-kindness: quicken me, according as thou art wont. They draw nigh that of malice persecute me: and are far from thy law. Be thou nigh at hand, O Lord: for all thy commandments are true. As concerning thy testimonies, I have known long since: that thou hast grounded them for ever.

O consider mine adversity, and deliver me: for I do not forget thy law. Avenge thou my cause, and deliver me: quicken me, according to thy word. Health is far from the ungodly: for they regard not thy statutes. Great is thy mercy, O Lord: quicken me, as thou art wont. Many there are that trouble me, and persecute me: yet do I not swerve from thy testimonies. It grieveth me when I see the transgressors: because they keep not thy law. Consider, O Lord, how I love thy commandments: O quicken me, according to thy loving-kindness. Thy word is true from everlasting: all the judgements of thy righteousness endure for evermore.

Princes have persecuted me without a cause: but my heart standeth in awe of thy word. I am as glad of thy word: as one that findeth great spoils. As for lies, I hate and abhor them: but thy law do I love. Seven times a day do I praise thee: because of thy righteous judgements. Great is the peace that they have who love thy law: and they are not offended at it. Lord, I have looked for thy saving health: and done after thy commandments. My soul hath kept thy testimonies: and loved them exceedingly. I have kept thy commandments and testimonies: for all my ways are before thee.

Let my complaint come before thee, O Lord: give me understanding, according to thy word. Let my supplication come before thee: deliver me, according to thy word. My lips shall speak of thy praise: when thou hast taught me thy statutes. Yea, my tongue shall sing of thy word: for all thy commandments are righteous. Let thine hand help me: for I have chosen thy commandments. I have longed for thy saving health, O Lord: and in thy law is my delight. O let my soul live, and it shall praise thee: and thy judgements shall help me. I have gone astray like a sheep that is lost: O seek thy servant, for I do not forget thy commandments.

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 First Lesson - Deuteronomy 16: 18-20

The Magnificat *The song of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his hand-maiden. For behold, from henceforth: all generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his Name. And his mercy is on them that fear him: throughout all generations. He hath shewed strength with his arm: he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seat: and hath exalted the humble and meek. He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich he hath sent empty away. He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel: as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

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 Second Lesson - 1 Peter 3: 8-12

The Nunc Dimittis *The song of Simeon*

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. *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.

The Apostles' Creed

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 Spirit, 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 Spirit, the holy catholic Church,

the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Responses

Cantor The Lord be with you

Choir and with thy spirit.

Cantor Let us pray

Please kneel or sit

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.

Cantor O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;

Choir and grant us thy salvation.

Cantor O Lord, guide and defend our rulers;

Choir and mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Cantor Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;

Choir and make thy chosen people joyful.

Cantor O Lord, save thy people;

Choir and bless thine inheritance.

Cantor Give peace in our time, O Lord;

Choir because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

Cantor O God, make clean our hearts within us;

Choir and take not thy holy Spirit from us.

The Collect, of the Day

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord

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 the central orb of righteous love,
Pure beam of the most High, eternal Light
Of this our wintry world; thy radiance bright
Awakes new joy in faith, hope soars above.
Come, quickly come, and let thy glory shine,
Gilding our darksome heaven with rays divine.
Thy saints with holy lustre round thee move
As stars about thy throne set in the height
Of God's ordaining counsel, as thy sight
Gives measured grace to each, thy power to prove.
Let thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin,
Our nature all shall feel eternal day
In fellowship with thee: transforming day
To souls erewhile unclean, now pure within. Amen.

Charles Wood (1866–1926)

H.R. Bramley (1833–1917)

The Prayers

Following the Prayers, we say together

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all for evermore.

Please stand

The service concludes with the procession of the clergy and choir.

Please sit for the Organ voluntary