SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL +

Choral Evensong

with the Installation of Honorary Canons

The Feast of St Thomas the Apostle Sunday 3 July 2022 3.00pm

Welcome to Southwark Cathedral

Set on the south bank of the River Thames in one of the most vibrant and diverse communities in London, this building has been a constant witness in a place of change.

The first church was built on this site around the year 606. First a convent, then a monastery, it became in 1106 the Augustinian Priory of St Mary Overie. With Westminster Abbey and St Bartholomew the Great in Smithfield it is one of the three remaining great monastic churches of London. At the Reformation the Priory became a parish church and it remains so for the people of Bankside. In 1905, as south London was rapidly expanding, the church was consecrated as the cathedral for the new Diocese of Southwark.

As well as a place of constant witness to our faith in Jesus Christ, this church has a momentous and proud history and has had links with many famous and influential characters including St Thomas Becket, Geoffrey Chaucer, William Shakespeare and Charles Dickens.

In the 20th century this cathedral was at the heart of the new movement in theology termed 'South Bank Religion'. This movement asked challenging questions of people about faith in the modern age which continue to be explored at Southwark Cathedral which describes itself as 'inclusive: faithful: radical'.

Whatever has brought you here today, you are most welcome. Become part of the life here if you can; it will change your life as you encounter with us our living God.

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Choral services today are sung by the Cathedral Choir.

Responses

Phillip Moore

Setting

Chichester Service · William Walton

Voluntary

Jubilate · William Mathias (1934–1992)

Please stand as the Clergy and Choir enter.

Hymn

NEH 333

All my hope on God is founded;
He doth still my trust renew.
Me through change and chance he guideth,
Only good and only true.
God unknown,
He alone
Calls my heart to be his own.

God's great goodness aye endureth,
Deep his wisdom, passing thought;
Splendour, light and life attend him,
Beauty springeth out of naught.
Evermore
From his store
New-born worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth th'Almighty giver
Bounteous gifts on us bestow;
His desire our soul delighteth,
Pleasure leads us where we go.
Love doth stand
At his hand;
Joy doth wait on his command.

Still from earth to God eternal
Sacrifice of praise be done,
High above all praises praising
For the gift of Christ his Son.
Christ doth call
One and all:
Ye who follow shall not fall.

Text: Robert Bridges (1844–1930)

Tune: Michael: Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

Sentence from Scripture

I will give thanks unto thee, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works, and that my soul knoweth right well.

Psalm 139, 13

Versicles and Responses

Sung by the Choir.

O Lord, open thou our lips 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

Psalm 139, 1-11

Sung by the Choir.

O Lord, thou hast searched me out and known me: thou knowest my down-sitting and mine up-rising, thou understandest my thoughts long before. Thou art about my path, and about my bed: and spiest out all my ways.

For lo, there is not a word in my tongue: but thou, O Lord, knowest it altogether.

Thou hast fashioned me behind and before: and laid thine hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful and excellent for me: I cannot attain unto it.

Whither shall I go then from thy Spirit: or whither shall I go then from thy presence?

If I climb up into heaven, thou art there: if I go down to hell, thou art there also.

If I take the wings of the morning: and remain in the uttermost parts of the sea;

Even there also shall thy hand lead me: and thy right hand shall hold me.

If I say, Peradventure the darkness shall cover me: then shall my night be turned to day.

Yea, the darkness is no darkness with thee, but the night is as clear as the day: the darkness and light to thee are both alike.

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.

First Lesson

Job 42.1-6

The First Lesson is written in the forty-second chapter of the Book of Job, beginning at the first verse.

Job answered the Lord:

'I know that you can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted. "Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?" Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand, things too wonderful for me, which I did not know. "Hear, and I will speak;

I will question you, and you declare to me."

I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,

but now my eye sees you;

therefore I despise myself, and repent in dust and ashes.'

Here ends the First Lesson.

The Institution and Installation of Honorary Canons

At the end of the First Lesson, the Bishop of Southwark is verged to the Tower Steps, and is joined by the Dean and the Residentiary Canons; the Honorary Canons designate stand before the Bishop. All others remain seated.

Before the Presentation and Institution, Canon Leanne Roberts, having previously taken the prescribed Oaths and Declarations, is licensed as a Public Preacher.

The Presentation and Institution

The Dean presents the the Honorary Canons designate to the Bishop of Southwark saying

Bishop Christopher, I present to you Leanne Roberts and Margaret Cave to be instituted and installed as Honorary Canons of this Cathedral Church.

The Bishop reads the Deeds of Institution and says

Receive this cure, your care and ours. Be diligent so to take your part with your brothers and sisters of the College of Canons in the Government of this holy place that here the word of God may be faithfully preached and the sacraments duly administered; and in all things, so uphold the honour and dignity of our Cathedral and Collegiate Church that it may be a true Mother to the Churches of our Bishopric.

The new Honorary Canons kneel before the Bishop who blesses them.

The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you, the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you and give you peace; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

The Installation

The new Honorary Canons stand. The Bishop hands the mandates to the Dean and invites him to proceed with the Installation.

Mr Dean, I bid you proceed to the Installation of these our sisters as Honorary Canons.

The Dean and Residentiary Canons conduct the Honorary Canons to their stalls, causing them to sit. The Dean then says

By virtue of this instrument, I, Andrew Peter Nunn, Dean of this Cathedral and Collegiate Church, do receive you and do admit and invest you as Honorary Canons of this Cathedral and Collegiate Church, together with all that belongs to the office and dignity to which you have been instituted; and do assign you your stalls in the Quire of our Cathedral Church belonging to your Canonry; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Each Canon is given a copy of the Constitution and Statutes of the Cathedral and shall say together

Mr Dean, I, Leanne Roberts / Margaret Cave, Honorary Canon of this Cathedral and Collegiate Church of St Saviour and St Mary Overie, Southwark, do promise that I will faithfully read and preach the Word of God, administer the Sacraments in due order and obey the Constitution and Statutes of this Cathedral Church.

Canon Margaret Cave continues

Let us pray.

O God, the King of Glory, who art ever adored by thy holy angels, yet delightest in the praises of the children of God: Prosper with thy blessing, we beseech thee, the work of our Cathedral Church; that they who minister or worship here may offer unto thee true and laudable service, for thy honour and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Dean prays for the new Honorary Canons.

Let us pray.

The Lord preserve your going out and your coming in from this time forth and evermore. May God the Father enlighten you with the radiance of his truth. May the good Spirit of God fill you with reverence, strength and tranquillity. May our Lord Jesus, who walks with his disciples, be the guide of your journey, both now and for ever.

All Amen.

The new Honorary Canons are welcomed.

All return to their places.

Please stand.

Magnificat

Sung by 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 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 has 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.

Second Lesson

1 Peter 1.3-12

The Second Lesson is written in the first chapter of the First Letter of St Peter, beginning at the third verse.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to

be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied of the grace that was to be yours made careful search and inquiry, inquiring about the person or time that the Spirit of Christ within them indicated, when it testified in advance to the sufferings destined for Christ and the subsequent glory. It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in regard to the things that have now been announced to you through those who brought you good news by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven—things into which angels long to look!

Here ends the Second Lesson.

Please stand.

Nunc Dimittis

Sung by 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.

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.

Lesser Litany, Lord's Prayer and Responses

Sung by the Choir.

The Lord be with you; And with thy spirit.

Please sit or kneel.

Let us pray.

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 Queen; 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 Collects

Almighty and everliving God, who for the more confirmation of the faith didst suffer thy holy Apostle Thomas to be doubtful in thy Son's resurrection: Grant us so perfectly, and without all doubt, to believe in thy Son Jesus Christ, that our faith in thy sight may never be reproved. Hear us, O Lord, through the same Jesus Christ, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, now and for evermore. Amen.

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.

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

Benjamin Britten · Jubilate Deo

Sermon

The Right Revd Christopher Chessun, Bishop of Southwark

Prayers of Intercession

Led by The Revd Thomas Sharp, Succentor.

At the end of the prayers

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.

Hymn

NEH 484

The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is his new creation
By water and the word:
From heaven he came and sought her
To be his holy Bride,
With his own blood he bought her,
And for her life he died.

Elect from every nation,
Yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation
One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses,
Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses
With every grace endued.

'Mid toil, and tribulation,
And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation
Of peace for evermore;
Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union
With God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we
Like them, the meek and lowly,
On high may dwell with thee.

Text: Samuel Stone (1839-1900)
Tune: Aurelia: Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-76)

The Blessing

The Right Revd Christopher Chessun, Bishop of Southwark

God the Holy Spirit, who filled the disciples with the life of the risen Lord, empower you and fill you with Christ's 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

Homage to Elgar · Martin How (b. 1931)

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