

Holy Week Address & Compline

The Wednesday of Holy Week 5 April 2023 7.00pm

Address

Silence is kept after the conclusion of Evening Prayer. At the start of the service, the Officiant enters informally.

READING

John 13.1-14

Now before the festival of the Passover. Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, 'Lord, are you going to wash my feet?' Jesus answered, 'You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand.' Peter said to him, 'You will never wash my feet.' Jesus answered, 'Unless I wash you, you have no share with me.' Simon Peter said to him, 'Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!' Jesus said to him, 'One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you.' For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, 'Not all of you are clean.'

After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, 'Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.

ADDRESS

The Dean of Southwark

Compline

OPENING SENTENCES

Please stand

The Lord almighty grant us a quiet night and a perfect end.

All Amen.

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: resist him. steadfast in the faith.

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

All Thanks be to God.

There follows a brief period of silent reflection.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All We confess to God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost,
that we have sinned in thought, word and deed
through our own grievous fault.
Wherefore we pray God to have mercy upon us.

Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us all our sins and deliver us from all evil, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and bring us to life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

ABSOLUTION

May the almighty and merciful Lord 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.

PRECES



 $\textbf{V.}\, \textbf{O}$ God, make speed to save us. $\textbf{R.}\, \textbf{O}$ Lord, make haste to help us.

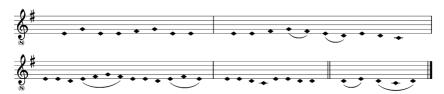


 ${f V.}$ Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost.





HYMN



Before the ending of the day, Creator of the world we pray, That with thy wonted favour thou Wouldst be our guard and keeper now.

From all ill dreams defend our eyes, From nightly fears and fantasies; Tread underfoot our ghostly foe, That no pollution we may know.

O Father, that we ask be done, Through Jesus Christ, thine only Son; Who, with the Holy Ghost and thee, Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

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PSALMODY



Psalm 139.1-18

O Lord, you have searched me out and <u>known</u> me; • you know my sitting down and my rising up;* you discern my <u>thoughts</u> from afar.

All You mark out my journeys and my <u>rest</u>-ing place • and are acquaint-<u>ed</u> with all my ways.

For there is not a word on my <u>tongue</u>, • but you, O Lord, know it <u>al</u>-together.

All You encompass me behind and be-<u>fore</u> • and lay your <u>hand</u> upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for <u>me</u>, • so high that I can-<u>not</u> attain it.

All Where can I go then from your <u>spi</u>-rit? • Or where can I flee <u>from</u> your presence?

If I climb up to heaven, you are <u>there</u>, • if I make the grave my bed, you <u>are</u> there also.

All If I take the wings of the <u>morn</u>-ing and dwell in the uttermost <u>parts</u> of the sea,

Even there your hand shall <u>lead</u> me, • your <u>right</u> hand hold me fast.

All If I say, 'Surely the darkness will <u>co</u>-ver me and the light a-<u>round</u> me turn to night.

Even darkness is no darkness with you;* the night is as clear as the <u>day</u>; • darkness and light to you are both alike.

All For you yourself created my inmost <u>parts</u>; • you knit me together <u>in</u> my mother's womb.

I thank you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully <u>made</u>; • marvellous are your <u>works</u>, my soul knows well.

All My frame was not hidden from <u>you</u>, • when I was made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes beheld my form, as yet un-<u>fin</u>-ishèd; • already in your book were all my *mem*-bers written.

All As day by day they were <u>fa</u>-shionèd • when as yet there was none of them.

How deep are your counsels to me, O <u>God!</u> • How great <u>is</u> the sum of them!

All If I count them, they are more in number than the <u>sand</u>, • and at the end, I am still <u>in</u> your presence.

Glory be to the Father and to the <u>Son</u>: • and to the Holy Ghost;

All as it was in the beginning is now and ever <u>shall</u> be: • world with-<u>out</u> end. Amen.

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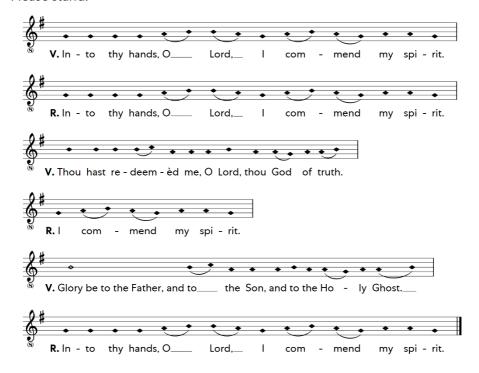
READING

Zechariah 12.10

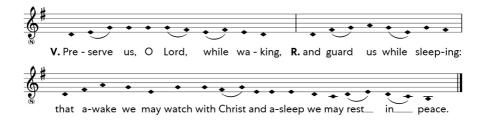
I will pour out a spirit of compassion and supplication on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that, when they look on the one whom they have pierced, they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn.

RESPONSORY

Please stand.



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NUNC DIMITTIS



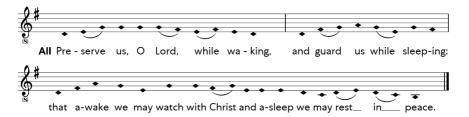
Lord, now lettest thou thy \underline{ser} -vant depart \underline{in} peace : • according \underline{to} thy word.

- All (—) For mine <u>eyes</u>— <u>have</u> seen : thy <u>sal</u>-vation.
 - (—) Which thou <u>hast</u> pre-<u>par</u>-èd : before the face of <u>all</u> people.
- All To be a light to <u>light</u>-en the <u>Gen</u>-tiles: and to be the glory of thy peo-ple Isra-el.

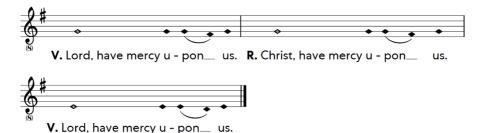
Glory be to the <u>Fath</u>-er and to <u>the</u> Son : \bullet and to <u>the</u> Holy \bullet Ghost;

All as it was in the beginning is now and <u>e</u>-ver <u>shall</u> be : • world without <u>end</u>. Amen.

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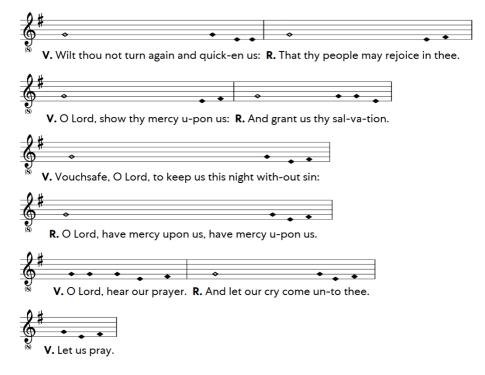
PRAYERS



THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
Amen.

RESPONSES



COLLECTS

One or more of these collects is said or sung.

Visit, we beseech thee, O Lord, this place, and drive far from it all the snares of the enemy; let thy holy angels dwell herein to preserve us in peace; and may thy blessing be upon us evermore; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who at this evening hour didst rest in the sepulchre, and didst thereby sanctify the grave to be a bed of hope to thy people: make us so to abound in sorrow for our sins, which were the cause of thy passion, that when our bodies lie in the dust, our souls may live with thee; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.

All Amen.

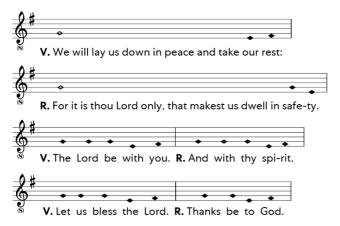
Look down, O Lord, from thy heavenly throne, illuminate the darkness of this night with thy celestial brightness, and from the children of light banish the deeds of darkness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the silent hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this fleeting world, may repose upon thy eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

FINAL RESPONSES



CONCLUDING PRAYER

May all the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

All Amen.

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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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