

The Temple Church

Sunday 4 October 2020

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

CHORAL MATTINS, 11.15 a.m.

The Temple Church Choir

You are most welcome to this morning's service. We follow the service of the Book of Common Prayer (1662). Much of the service is sung by the Choir alone. We hope that you will be able to enjoy the opportunity this offers to let the music and words take your mind and your heart – with all the concerns you have for those you love and for our world – into the presence of God.

It is traditional here for the congregation to stand for the Venite, Te Deum and Jubilate; if it would be more comfortable for you to remain seated, please do.

The public-address system has a loop-facility. If you wear a hearing-aid, please turn its setting to T.

ORGAN PRELUDE

Prelude in F

Sir Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

All stand.

INTROIT

Locus iste a Deo factus est
inaestimabile sacramentum;
irreprehensibilis est.

*This place is made by God
a sign of his grace beyond price;
it is beyond reproach.*

Music: Anton Bruckner (1824-1896)

Words: Liber Usualis: Gradual for the Dedication of a Church

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HYMN

Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and corner-stone,
Chosen of the Lord, and precious,
Binding all the church in one,
Holy Zion's help for ever,
And her confidence alone.

2.
To this temple, where we call thee,
Come, O Lord of Hosts, today;
With thy wonted loving-kindness
Hear thy servants as they pray;
And thy fullest benediction
Shed within its walls for ay.

3.
Laud and honour to the Father,
Laud and honour to the Son,
Laud and honour to the Spirit,
Ever Three, and ever One,
One in love, and One in splendour,
While unending ages run. Amen.

Music: Adapted from an anthem by Henry Purcell (1658-1695)
Words: Anonymous, Latin translated by John M. Neale (1818-1866)

All sit.

INSTALLATION OF CHORISTER

Elliot Ogden

All sit or kneel for the confession.

All stand at "Glory be....." RESPONSES (*Rose*)

All stand. The Choir sings the: VENITE

The Choir sings: PSALM 128

Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way: and walk in the law of the Lord.
Blessed are they that keep his testimonies: and seek him with their whole heart.
For they who do no wickedness: walk in his ways.
Thou hast charged: that we shall diligently keep thy commandments.
O that my ways were made so direct: that I might keep thy statutes!
So shall I not be confounded: while I have respect unto all thy commandments.
I will thank thee with an unfeigned heart:
 when I shall have learned the judgements of thy righteousness.
I will keep thy ceremonies: O forsake me not utterly.
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.

All sit.

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 49. 13-23

¹³Sing, O heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and break forth into singing, O mountains: for the LORD hath comforted his people, and will have mercy upon his afflicted.

¹⁴But Zion said, The LORD hath forsaken me, and my Lord hath forgotten me.

¹⁵Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee.

¹⁶Behold, I have graven thee upon the palms of my hands; thy walls are continually before me.

¹⁷Thy children shall make haste; thy destroyers and they that made thee waste shall go forth of thee.

¹⁸Lift up thine eyes round about, and behold: all these gather themselves together, and come to thee. As I live, saith the LORD, thou shalt surely clothe thee with them all, as with an ornament, and bind them on thee, as a bride doeth.

¹⁹For thy waste and thy desolate places, and the land of thy destruction, shall even now be too narrow by reason of the inhabitants, and they that swallowed thee up shall be far away.

²⁰The children which thou shalt have, after thou hast lost the other, shall say again in thine ears, The place is too strait for me: give place to me that I may dwell.

²¹Then shalt thou say in thine heart, Who hath begotten me these, seeing I have lost my children, and am desolate, a captive, and removing to and fro? and who hath brought up these? Behold, I was left alone; these, where had they been?

²²Thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I will lift up mine hand to the Gentiles, and set up my standard to the people: and they shall bring thy sons in their arms, and thy daughters shall be carried upon their shoulders.

²³And kings shall be thy nursing fathers, and their queens thy nursing mothers: they shall bow down to thee with their face toward the earth, and lick up the dust of thy feet; and thou shalt know that I am the LORD: for they shall not be ashamed that wait for me.

All stand.

TE DEUM (*Stanford in B-flat*)

All sit.

THE SECOND LESSON

Luke 12. 1-12

In the mean time, when there were gathered together an innumerable multitude of people, insomuch that they trode one upon another, Jesus began to say unto his disciples first of all, Beware ye of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy.

²For there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; neither hid, that shall not be known.

³Therefore whatsoever ye have spoken in darkness shall be heard in the light; and that which ye have spoken in the ear in closets shall be proclaimed upon the housetops.

And I say unto you my friends, Be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do.

⁵But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear: Fear him, which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear him.

⁶Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God?

⁷But even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not therefore: ye are of more value than many sparrows.

⁸Also I say unto you, Whosoever shall confess me before men, him shall the Son of man also confess before the angels of God:

⁹But he that denieth me before men shall be denied before the angels of God.

¹⁰And whosoever shall speak a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but unto him that blasphemeth against the Holy Ghost it shall not be forgiven.

¹¹And when they bring you unto the synagogues, and unto magistrates, and powers, take ye no thought how or what thing ye shall answer, or what ye shall say:

¹²For the Holy Ghost shall teach you in the same hour what ye ought to say.

All stand.

JUBILATE (*Stanford in B-flat*)

In the tradition of the Temple Church, we face east to say together:

THE CREED

All sit or kneel.

THE COLLECT

Lord, we pray thee that thy grace may always prevent and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

All sit.

THE ANTHEM

Beati quorum via integra est:
qui ambulant in lege Domini.

*Blessed are they whose way is pure:
who walk in the law of the Lord.*

Music: Sir Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Words: Psalm 119. 1

THE PRAYERS

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All stand.

HYMN

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.

Pride of man and earthly glory,
Sword and crown betray his trust;
What with care and toil he buildeth,
Tower and temple, fall to dust.
But God's power,
Hour by hour,
Is my temple and my tower.

Still from man 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.

Meine Hoffnung stehet feste Joachim Neander (1650–1680) paraphrased
Robert Bridges (1844–1930)

All sit.

THE SERMON

The Master

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HYMN

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
Come ye who hear,
Brothers and sisters draw near,
Praise him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth:
Hast thou not seen
All that is needful hath been
Granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen
Sound from his people again:
Gladly for ay we adore him.

Music: P. Sohren's edition of Praxis pietatis melica, (1668)

Words: J. Neander (1640-1680), tr. Catherine Winkworth (1829-1878)

THE BLESSING

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Dedication March

W. Lloyd Webber (1914-1982)

All are invited to be seated until asked by a steward to leave. If you would like to remain until the end of the organ voluntary, please indicate this to the steward.

There will be a retiring collection. Contactless collection points for the use of cards will be available at the doors; the devices are set at £5 per 'swipe'. There will be baskets for the receipt of cash, dropped in without contact.

In either case, it will be of great advantage to the Church if you would kindly fill in the Gift Aid envelope enclosed in this Order of Service and drop it into a collection-basket as you leave.

We ask your prayers for those dear to us in this House, and at this time especially for the following:

MARRIAGES

Matthew Acton Davis and Josephine Nash
Antony Matheson and Anastasia Kovalevsky

ANNIVERSARIES OF MARRIAGE

Michael and Emily Bancroft	Sebastien and Fiona Jantet
James and Julia Bowling	Oliver and Flora Lymington
Alex and Sarah Chalk	Benjamin and Jillian Maltby
Thomas and Julie Crangle	George and Lucinda Munton
Timothy and Katrina Cray	James and Clemency Roscoe
Michael and Joanna Haswell	Michael and Laura Shevlin
John and Monica Hillen	Robert and Amelia Sugden
Lee and Jenny Isted	Tristan and Amy Thornton
Catherine and Nicholas Wilson	

YEAR'S MIND

Miles Gladwyn
Jonathan Hirst
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Hugh Pigott
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Alison Ross
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