

# The Temple Church

Sunday 22 November 2020

The Sunday next before Advent

CHORAL COMMUNION, 11.15 a.m.

*The Temple Singers*

A warm welcome to this service to all of you at home. We follow the service of the Book of Common Prayer (1662). The service is sung by the Choir alone. We hope that you will be able 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. Today's mass setting is Palestrina's 'Missa aeterna Christi munera'.

This service is being live-streamed, and will remain online for five days.

ORGAN PRELUDE

Prelude in C

*Harold Darke (1888-1976)*

INTROIT

O come, let us worship and bow down;  
Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.

*Music: Sir George Thalben-Ball (1896-1987)*  
*Words: Psalm 95.6*

HYMN

Angel voices ever singing  
Round thy throne of light,  
Angel-harps for ever ringing,  
Rest not day nor night;  
Thousands only live to bless thee  
And confess thee  
Lord of might.

Thou who art beyond the farthest  
Mortal eye can scan,  
Can it be that thou regardest  
Songs of sinful man?  
Can we know that thou art near us,  
And wilt hear us?  
Yea, we can.

Honour, glory, might, and merit  
Thine shall ever be,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
Blessed Trinity.  
Of the best that thou hast given  
Earth and heaven  
Render thee.

*Music:* Edwin G. Monk (1819-1900)  
*Words:* Francis Pott (1832-1909)

### THE COLLECT

Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people; that they plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### FOR THE EPISTLE Jeremiah 23. 5-8

Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth. In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is his name whereby he shall be called, The Lord Our Righteousness. Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that they shall no more say, The Lord liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; But, The Lord liveth, which brought up and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north country, and from all countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land.

### GRADUAL PSALM 110

The Lord said unto my Lord:

Sit thou on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.

The Lord shall send the rod of thy power out of Sion:

be thou ruler, even in the midst among thine enemies.

In the day of thy power shall the people offer thee free-will offerings with an holy worship: the dew of thy birth is of the womb of the morning.

The Lord sware, and will not repent:

Thou art a Priest for ever after the order of Melchisedech.

The Lord upon thy right hand: shall wound even kings in the day of his wrath.

He shall judge among the heathen; he shall fill the places with the dead bodies:  
and smite in sunder the heads over divers countries.

He shall drink of the brook in the way: therefore shall he lift up his head.

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 GOSPEL

John 6. 5-14

When Jesus then lifted up his eyes, and saw a great company come unto him, he saith unto Philip, Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat? And this he said to prove him: for he himself knew what he would do. Philip answered him, Two hundred pennyworth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little. One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, saith unto him, There is a lad here, which hath five barley loaves, and two small fishes: but what are they among so many? And Jesus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves; and when he had given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would. When they were filled, he said unto his disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten. Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that prophet that should come into the world.

## CREED

*(Merbecke)*

I believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: and of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made: Who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified. Who spake by the prophets. And I believe One Catholick and Apostolick Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE SERMON  
The Reader

HYMN

Let all mortal flesh keep silence,  
And with fear and trembling stand;  
Ponder nothing earthly-minded,  
For with blessing in his hand,  
Christ our God to earth descendeth,  
Our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,  
As of old on earth he stood,  
Lord of lords, in human vesture,  
In the body and the blood,  
He will give to all the faithful  
His own self for heav'nly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven  
Spreads its vanguard on the way,  
As the Light of light descendeth  
From the realms of endless day,  
That the pow'rs of hell may vanish  
As the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph,  
Cherubim, with sleepless eye,  
Veil their faces to the presence,  
As with ceaseless voice they cry,  
"Alleluia, alleluia,  
Alleluia, Lord Most High!"

*Music: Picardy, Traditional French carol*  
*Words: Liturgy of St James, Tr. G. Moultrie*

THE CONFESSION

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them

is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant  
that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour  
and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### ANTHEM

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is:  
blest is the man that trusteth in him.

*Music:* Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

*Words:* Psalm 34. 8

#### THE PRAYERS

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. For thine is the kingdom,  
the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

#### BLESSING

#### HYMN

All creatures of our God and King  
Lift up your voice and with us sing  
Alleluia, alleluia.

Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,  
*O praise him, O praise him,*  
*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,  
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along,  
O praise him, alleluia.

Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,  
Ye lights of evening  
*O praise him, O praise him,*  
*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

Let all things their Creator bless,  
And worship him in humbleness;  
O praise him, alleluia.  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
And praise the Spirit, Three in One;  
*O praise him, O praise him,*  
*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

*Music: Geistliche Catholische Kirchengesänge (Cologne, 1623)*  
*Words: William Henry Draper (1855-1933) based on Laudato sii,*  
*O me signore St Francis of Assisi's Canticle of the Sun*

## THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Prélude

*Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)*

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

ANNIVERSARIES OF MARRIAGE

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Anthony and Terina Corda  
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Lucinda Feast  
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