

Choral Evensong sung by Choral Voices

Choir-master: Bouwe R. Dijkstra
Organist: Mattijs de Vreugd
Officiant: Evert Jan Veldman

Nieuwe Kerk, 15 February 2014

ORGAN PRELUDE

- Please stand when the Choir and Minister enter the Church-

THE INTROIT

(sung by the Choir; the congregation may be seated)

Teach me, O Lord – Thomas Attwood (1765-1838)

Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes and I shall keep it unto the end.

Words from Psalm 119 verse 33

Opening Sentence from the Scripture

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

Psalm 51:17

Beloved, we are come together in the presence of almighty God and of the whole company of heaven to offer unto him through our Lord Jesus Christ our worship and praise and thanksgiving; to make confession of our sins; to pray, as well for others as for ourselves, that we may know more truly the greatness of God's love and shew forth in our lives the fruits of his grace; and to ask on behalf of all men such things as their well-being doth require.

Wherefore let us pray in silence, and remember God's presence with us now.

All:

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have offended against thy holy laws.

We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us.

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults.

Restore thou them that are penitent; according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord.

And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

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

PRECES (sung by the Choir) William Smith (1603-1645)

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.

- 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

Praise ye the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised

PSALM OF THE DAY

(sung by the Choir; the congregation may be seated)

Psalm 150 Laudate Dominum – George Talbot (1875-1918)

O Praise God in his holiness, praise him in the firmament of his power. Praise him in his noble acts, praise him according to his excellent greatness. Praise him in the sound of the trumpet, praise him upon the lute and harp. Praise him in the cymbals and dances, praise him upon the strings and pipe. Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals, praise him upon the loud cymbals. Let every thing that hath breath, praise the Lord.

- At the end of the psalm, please stand for the Gloria.

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.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Introduction; the congregation may be seated

Exodus 24: 12-18 (NIV)

- 12 The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and stay here, and I will give you the tablets of stone with the law and commandments I have written for their instruction."
- 13 Then Moses set out with Joshua his aide, and Moses went up on the mountain of God. 14 He said to the elders, "Wait here for us until we come back to you. Aaron and Hur are with you, and anyone involved in a dispute can go to them."
- 15 When Moses went up on the mountain, the cloud covered it, 16 and the glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai. For six days the cloud covered the mountain, and on the seventh day the Lord called to Moses from within the cloud. 17 To the Israelites the glory of the Lord looked like a consuming fire on top of the mountain. 18 Then Moses entered the cloud as he went on up the mountain. And he stayed on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

- Please stand

HYMN

"Abide with me" verse 1, 3 and 5; all, verse 2 and 4; choir

- 1.Abide with me; fast falls the eventide; The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide. When other helpers fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, O abide with me.
- 2.Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; Earth's joys grow dim; its glories pass away; Change and decay in all around I see; O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

- 3.I need Thy presence every passing hour. What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power? Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.
- 4.I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless; Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness. Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.

5.Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes; Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies. Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee; In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

Words by Henry F.Lyte (1743-1847) Music by William H. Monk (1823-1889) Last verse arrangement by Christopher Robinson (*1936)

- Please remain standing for the -

MAGNIFICAT

in G-major - Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

My soul doth magnify the Lord and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden. 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.

Luke 1, 46-55

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.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Introduction; the congregation may be seated

2 Corinthians 3: 12 -18 (NIV)

12 Therefore, since we have such a hope, we are very bold. 13 We are not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face to prevent the Israelites from seeing the end of what was passing away. 14 But their minds were made dull, for to this day the same veil remains when the old covenant is read. It has not been removed, because only in Christ is it taken away. 15 Even to this day when Moses is read, a veil covers their hearts. 16 But whenever anyone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. 17 Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. 18 And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate[a] the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with everincreasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

- Please stand for the -

NUNC DIMITTIS

in G-major - Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

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 hence 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

RESPONSES (sung by the Choir; the congregation may be seated) William Smith

The Lord be with you. *And with thy spirit.* 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 King.

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 Collect of the Day

O God, who before the passion of thy only-begotten Son didst reveal his glory upon the holy mount: Grant unto us that we, beholding by faith the light of his ountenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*

The 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

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 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

THE ANTHEM

(Sung by the Choir)

The Lord bless you and keep you – John Rutter (*1945)
The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up the Light of his countenance upon you,
and give you peace. Amen.

Words from Numbers 6 verse 24

INTERCESSIONS

......

Lord, hear our prayer

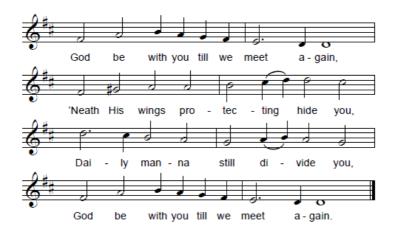
Lord, have mercy

- please stand for -

HYMN

'God be with you' - Randolph vers 1; choir, verse 2, 3 and 4; all

1 God be with you till we meet again, By His counsels guide, uphold you, With His sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again.



3 God be with you till we meet again, When life's perils thick confound you, Put His arms unfailing round you, God be with you till we meet again.

4 God be with you till we meet again, Keep love's banner floating o'er you, Smite death's threatening wave before you, God be with you till we meet again.

Words by Jeremiah Rankin (1828-1904) Music by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

THE CONCLUSION

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, And the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore.

Amen

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Liturgical texts from Common Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England (London, 2000) © The Archbishops' Council 2000.

As you leave, you have the opportunity to contribute to a retiring collection (near the main entry to the church) which makes these services possible. Roughly €5 per person is adequate to help us offer this service, but any and all contributions are most welcome! You may also make a tax deductible donation, via bank transfer, to the 'Wijkraad van Kerkrentmeesters', account number NL55INGB0002803785, reference 'Evensong'.

The next Choral Evensong in the Nieuwe Kerk March 15th 5 p.m.

Introit: Justorum animae Charles Villiers Stanford

Preces: Philip Moore

Psalm: 27

Canticles: Collegium Regale Herbert Howells
Anthem: The Lord is my Shepherd Lennox Berkeley

Hymns: 61 (Melcombe) 251