

THE NATIONAL CATHEDRAL
AND COLLEGIATE CHURCH
OF SAINT PATRICK, DUBLIN



CHORAL EVENSONG
Sung by the Cathedral Choir

The Fifth Sunday of Easter
10 May 2020

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!
We welcome you in his name.

ORDER OF SERVICE

INTRODUCTION *and* WELCOME

The Very Revd William Morton, Dean and Ordinary

The PRECES *and* RESPONSES

Humphrey Clucas (b.1941)

O Lord, open thou our lips.

And our mouth shall show 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.

PSALM 85

Benedixisti, Domine.

Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land: thou hast turned again the captivity of Jacob. Thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people: and covered all their sins. Thou hast taken away all thy displeasure: and turned thyself from thy wrathful indignation. Turn us then, O God our saviour: and let thine anger cease from us. Wilt thou be displeased at us for ever: and wilt thou stretch out thy wrath from one generation to another? Wilt thou not turn again, and quicken us: that thy people may rejoice in thee? Shew us thy mercy, O Lord: and grant us thy salvation. I will hearken what the Lord God will say concerning me: for he shall speak peace unto his people, and to his saints, that they turn not again unto foolishness. For his salvation is nigh them that fear him: that glory may dwell in our land. Mercy and truth are met together: righteousness and peace have kissed each other. Truth shall flourish out of the earth: and righteousness hath looked down from heaven. Yea the Lord shall shew loving kindness: and our land shall give her increase. Righteousness shall go before him: and shall direct his going in the way.

PSALM 86

Inclina, Domine.

Bow down thine ear, O Lord, and hear me: for I am poor, and in misery. Preserve thou my soul, for I am holy: my God, save thy servant that putteth his trust in thee. Be merciful unto me, O Lord: for I will call daily upon thee. Comfort the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul. For thou, Lord, art good and gracious: and of great mercy unto them that call upon thee. Give ear, Lord, unto my prayer: and ponder the voice of my humble desires. In the time of my trouble I will call upon thee: for thou hearest me. Among the gods there is none like unto thee, O Lord: there is not one that can do as thou doest. All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship thee, O Lord: and shall glorify thy Name. For thou art great,

and doest wondrous things: thou art God alone. Teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy truth: O knit my heart unto thee, that I may fear thy Name. I will thank thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart: and will praise thy Name for evermore. For great is thy mercy toward me: and thou hast delivered my soul from the nethermost hell. O God, the proud are risen against me: and the congregations of violent men have sought after my soul, and have not set thee before their eyes. But thou, O Lord God, art full of compassion and mercy: long-suffering, plenteous in goodness and truth. O turn thee then unto me, and have mercy upon me: give thy strength unto thy servant, and help the son of thine handmaid. Shew some token upon me for good, that they who hate me may see it, and be ashamed: because thou, Lord, hast holpen me, and comforted me.

PSALM 87

Fundamenta ejus.

His foundation is upon the holy hills: the Lord loveth the gates of Sion more than all the dwellings of Jacob. Very excellent things are spoken of thee: thou city of God. I will make mention of Egypt and Babylon: among them that know me. Behold ye the Philistines also: and they of Tyre, with the Morians; lo, they shall be counted as born in Sion. Yea, of Sion it shall be reported, This one and that one was born in her: and the Most High shall stablish her. The Lord shall reckon, when he writeth up the peoples: that each one was born Sion. The singers also and trumpeters shall make answer: All my fresh springs are in thee. 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 FIRST LESSON

MAGNIFICAT

in E Charles Macpherson (1870-1927)

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. 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 SECOND LESSON

NUNC DIMITTIS
in E Charles Macpherson (1870-1927)

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

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.

THE SUFFRAGES *and* RESPONSES

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, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on 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.

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, guide and defend our rulers.

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 *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, 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

The Lord hath created medicines out of the earth; and he that is wise will not abhor them. And he hath given men skill, that he might be honoured in his marvellous works. My son, in thy sickness leave off from sin, and order thy hands aright, and cleanse thy heart from all wickedness. Strengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees. Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come; he will come and save you. Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb shall sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert. The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose. It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing: the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon, they shall see the glory of the Lord and the excellency of our God. O Saviour of the world, who by thy cross and precious blood hast redeemed us: save us, and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

William Harris (1883–1973)

THE SERMON

THE PRAYERS

THE BLESSING

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Organ Sonata in C minor – Percy Whitlock (1903-46)

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