



Evensong
attended by
the Friends of
St Paul's Cathedral

**A Celebration of
Friends and Benefactors**

Wednesday 13th July 2016
5 pm

WELCOME TO ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL

We are a Christian church within the Anglican tradition (Church of England) and we welcome people of all Christian traditions as well as people of other faiths and people of little or no faith. Christian worship has been offered to God here for over 1400 years. We are committed to the diversity, equal opportunities and personal and spiritual development of all who work and worship here because we are followers of Jesus Christ. This order of service is printed on sustainably-produced paper. Please be assured of our continuing prayers for you when you go back to your homes and places of worship.

Before the service, the St Paul's Cathedral Ringers will ring Stedman Cinques.

The Choir of St Paul's Cathedral is directed by Andrew Carwood, Director of Music. The organ is played for the service by Peter Holder, Sub-Organist, and before the service by Joseph Beech, Organ Scholar-elect.

Music before the Service

Cantique (Op. 3)

Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

Psalms Prelude Set 1, Number 2

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Psalms 37. 11 'But the meek-spirited shall possess the earth'

Prelude in E flat

William H Harris (1883-1973)



As you prepare for worship, please be sensitive to the needs of those around you who may wish to pray in silence. Please switch off mobile telephones and do not use photographic, video or recording equipment at any time.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

*The congregation is asked to join in all texts printed in **bold**.*

At 4.45 pm, remain seated as the Chapter, Priest Vicar and Minor Canons proceed to the North Transept Door.

At 4.55 pm, Her Royal Highness The Duchess of Gloucester is received by the Chapter, Priest Vicar and Minor Canons.

At 4.58 pm, remain seated as the Choir and the College of Canons proceed to their places in the Quire.

At 5 pm, stand to sing

Hymn

during which Her Royal Highness The Duchess of Gloucester is escorted to her place under the Dome by the Chapter.

**Christ is made the sure foundation,
And the precious corner-stone,
Who, the two walls underlying,
Bound in each, binds both in one,
Holy Sion's help for ever,
And her confidence alone.**

**All that dedicated city,
Dearly loved by God on high,
In exultant jubilation
Pours perpetual melody,
God the One, in Threefold glory,
Singing everlastingly.**

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

**Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
Gifts of grace by prayer to gain;
Here to have and hold for ever,
Those good things their prayers obtain,
And hereafter, in thy glory,
With thy blessed ones to reign.**

**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.**

Words: Latin, 7th century
trans. John Mason Neale (1818-66)

Tune: *Westminster Abbey*
adapted from Henry Purcell (1659-95)

The Bidding

given by

The Very Reverend Dr David Ison,
Dean of St Paul's

Welcome to this Cathedral Church today, as we come together to worship God and offer thanks for the support given by the Friends and Benefactors of St Paul's to sustain its work and ministry. We give thanks that, for hundreds of years, St Paul's has borne witness to the glory of God in the midst of this city, a focus for hope and new life after destruction, a sign of resurrection and eternal life in Jesus Christ.

We pray for all who come to St Paul's, that, together with each and every one, we may find what we seek in the love of God, here proclaimed in word and music, sacrament and silence.

We commend to God the prayers offered here, the needs of the world, and the cries of the poor; we give thanks for past worshippers and supporters; and we offer to God their lives and ours, that, like this Cathedral, we too may be signs of God's love to those around us.

So we gather up our prayers and praises as together we pray in the words of our Saviour, Jesus Christ:

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

The Responses

sung by the Officiant and the Choir.

○ Lord, open thou our lips;
and our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

○ God, make speed to save us;
○ 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.

Music: Philip Moore (b.1943)

Sit

Psalm 36

My heart sheweth me the wickedness of the ungodly:
that there is no fear of God before his eyes.
For he flattereth himself in his own sight:
until his abominable sin be found out.
The words of his mouth are unrighteous and full of deceit:
he hath left off to behave himself wisely, and to do good.
He imagineth mischief upon his bed and hath set himself in no good way:
neither doth he abhor any thing that is evil.
Thy mercy, O Lord, reacheth unto the heavens:
and thy faithfulness unto the clouds.
Thy righteousness standeth like the strong mountains:
thy judgements are like the great deep.
Thou, Lord, shalt save both man and beast;
How excellent is thy mercy, O God:
and the children of men shall put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.
They shall be satisfied with the plenteousness of thy house:
and thou shalt give them drink of thy pleasures, as out of the river.
For with thee is the well of life:
and in thy light shall we see light.
O continue forth thy loving-kindness unto them that know thee:
and thy righteousness unto them that are true of heart.
O let not the foot of pride come against me:
and let not the hand of the ungodly cast me down.
There are they fallen all that work wickedness:
they are cast down, and shall not be able to stand.

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.

Chants: Charles Hylton Stewart (1884-1932)
and Edward Hopkins (1818-1901)

Sit

The First Lesson

read by

The Reverend Canon Tricia Hillas,
Canon Pastor and Vice Chair of the Friends

Here begins the eighth verse of the forty-ninth chapter of the Prophecy of Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord: In a time of favour I have answered you, on a day of salvation I have helped you; I have kept you and given you as a covenant to the people, to establish the land, to apportion the desolate heritages; saying to the prisoners, 'Come out', to those who are in darkness, 'Show yourselves.' They shall feed along the ways, on all the bare heights shall be their pasture; they shall not hunger or thirst, neither scorching wind nor sun shall strike them down, for he who has pity on them will lead them, and by springs of water will guide them. And I will turn all my mountains into a road, and my highways shall be raised up. Lo, these shall come from far away, and lo, these from the north and from the west, and these from the land of Syene.

Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth; break forth, O mountains, into singing! For the Lord has comforted his people, and will have compassion on his suffering ones.

Isaiah 49. 8-13

Silence is kept.

Here ends the First Lesson.

Stand with the Choir, which sings

Magnificat

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

Words: Luke I. 46-55

Music: *Evening Service in A*
Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Sit

The Second Lesson

read by

Roger Walkinton,
Secretary to the Friends of St Paul's

Here begins the eighth chapter of the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

We want you to know, brothers and sisters, about the grace of God that has been granted to the churches of Macedonia; for during a severe ordeal of affliction, their abundant joy and their extreme poverty have verflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. For, as I can testify, they voluntarily gave according to their means, and even beyond their means, begging us earnestly for the privilege of sharing in this ministry to the saints – and this, not merely as we expected; they gave themselves first to the Lord and, by the will of God, to us, so that we might urge Titus that, as he had already made a beginning, so he should also complete this generous undertaking among you. Now as you excel in everything – in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you – so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something – now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means.

2 Corinthians 8. 1-11

Silence is kept.

Here ends the Second Lesson.

Stand with the Choir, which sings

Nunc Dimittis

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.

Words: Luke 2. 29-32

Music: *Evening Service in A*
Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

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 Lesser Litany

sung by the Officiant and the Choir.

The Lord be with you;
and with thy spirit.

Sit or kneel

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.

- Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;
and grant us thy salvation.
- Lord, save the Queen;
and mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;
and make thy chosen people joyful.

- 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.

- God, make clean our hearts within us;
and take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God,
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church
is governed and sanctified:
hear our prayer which we offer for all thy faithful people,
that in their vocation and ministry
they may serve thee in holiness and truth,
to the glory of thy name;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
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,
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.

Sit

Anthem

Zadok, the Priest and Nathan, the Prophet
anointed Solomon King.
And all the people rejoic'd, and said:
'God save The King, long live The King,
may The King live for ever! Amen! Alleluia! Amen!'

Words: after 1 Kings 1. 38-40

Music: George Frederic Handel (1685–1759)

The Prayers

led by

The Reverend Helen O'Sullivan,
Priest Vicar and Chaplain

James Olley,
Trustee, Cathedral Foundation and Chorister Trust

Nathanial Morley,
Head Chorister, Girdlers' Chorister

Niul Dillon Hatcher,
Friends Council

Leo Greenlees,
Deputy Head Chorister, Morden College Chorister

Let us bring our prayers to God through Christ,
whose birth was greeted with the song of angels,
whose mother sang as she magnified the Lord,
and who was greeted in the Temple by the song of Simeon.

We pray for the Church throughout the world,
for our life together in Christ, and for the never-silent voice of prayer.
We give thanks for the life and witness
of all parishes and communities in the Diocese of London.
We pray for Richard our Bishop and for all who lead the Church:
that the strain of praise may never die away.

Lord, hear us,

Lord graciously hear us.

We pray for the world in which we are called to sing the song of salvation;
for those whose lives are lived
beneath the noise of war and the cry of want:
for all people whose needs are not met and dignity is denied,
for the sick and the dying, the bereaved and all who have recently died.
Acknowledging our part in the chaos of the world
we ask that the discords of our lives
may be healed by the harmonies of God's grace.

Lord, hear us,

Lord graciously hear us.

We pray with thanksgiving for the Friends of St Paul's,
for their energy and commitment to this Cathedral,
and for the time and skills they give
to making it a place of holiness, beauty, and welcome.
May all who enter this place encounter God
in scripture, music, and the sacraments,
and be strengthened to proclaim the good news of God's love.

Lord, hear us,

Lord graciously hear us.

We give thanks for the gift of music which calms our fears,
lifts our hearts, speaks to our souls,
and takes us beyond words into the presence of your joy.
For those who compose and conduct it, who play and perform it:
that the glory of God may be heard in it,
and that the hearts of all people may rejoice in it.

Lord, hear us,

Lord graciously hear us.

Holy God,
who calls us beyond the limits of human understanding,
and holds open wide heaven's door,
take us in this holy place, we pray,
by the grace of music,
into the wonder that silences all agitation,
into the praise that knits up all fear.
Lead us on by the way of music
and draw us to know ourselves to be
your redeemed people;
graced and raised by song.

Amen.

**O God, to whose great honour
this Cathedral Church was built:
send your blessing on all who serve and worship in St Paul's
and all who enter its doors.
Let it always be a place where your love is made known,
your truth proclaimed,
and your name glorified;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Stand

Hymn

**In our day of thanksgiving one psalm let us offer
For the saints who before us have found their reward;
When the shadow of death fell upon them, we sorrowed,
But now we rejoice that they rest in the Lord.**

**In the morning of life, and at noon, and at even,
He called them away from our worship below;
But not till his love, at the font and the altar,
Had girt them with grace for the way they should go.**

**These stones that have echoed their praises are holy,
And dear is the ground where their feet have once trod;
Yet here they confessed they were strangers and pilgrims,
And still they were seeking the city of God.**

**Sing praise then, for all who here sought and here found him,
Whose journey is ended, whose perils are past:
They believed in the Light; and its glory is round them,
Where the clouds of earth's sorrow are lifted at last.**

Words: William Draper (1855-1933)

Tune: *St Catherine's Court*
Richard Strutt (1848-1927)

The Sermon

given by

The Right Reverend Graeme Knowles, CVO,
Dean Emeritus

Stand

Hymn

during which a collection is taken to help the Cathedral cover the cost of Choristers. Please complete the Gift Aid envelopes provided if you are a UK taxpayer.

**How shall I sing that majesty
Which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie;
Sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.
Thousands of thousands stand around
Thy throne, O God most high;
Ten thousand times ten thousand sound
Thy praise; but who am I?**

**Thy brightness unto them appears,
Whilst I thy footsteps trace;
A sound of God comes to my ears,
But they behold thy face.
They sing because thou art their Sun;
Lord, send a beam on me;
For where heaven is but once begun
There alleluyas be.**

**Enlighten with faith's light my heart,
Inflame it with love's fire;
Then shall I sing and bear a part
With that celestial choir.
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold,
With all my fire and light;
Yet when thou dost accept their gold,
Lord, treasure up my mite.**

**How great a being, Lord, is thine,
Which doth all beings keep!
Thy knowledge is the only line
To sound so vast a deep.
Thou art a sea without a shore,
A sun without a sphere;
Thy time is now and evermore,
Thy place is everywhere.**

Words: John Mason (c.1645-94)

Tune: *Coe Fen*
Kenneth Naylor (1931-91)

The Blessing

given by

The Dean

May God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who is the source of all goodness and growth,
pour his blessing upon all things created,
and upon you his children,
that you may use his gifts to his glory
and the welfare of all peoples;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

*The Choir, Minor Canons, Priest Vicar, the College of Canons and the Chapter
proceed to the Dean's Aisle.*

Organ Voluntary

Final from Symphony No. 1

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

Members of the congregation are invited to remain in their places for a short recital by the Choristers, which will take place after Evensong under the Dome.


Those wishing to leave at the end of Evensong are requested to do so quietly during the Organ Voluntary.

After the recital, please remain seated until asked to leave by a Wandsman or Steward.

Friends attending the reception please make their way to the Crypt via the South Crypt stairs after the recital.

Please take this order of service away with you
to reflect on the readings and prayers and as a reminder of your visit.

Next year's Friends Festival will be on
Wednesday 5th July 2017.



The map shows the Cathedral and surrounding streets including Paternoster Square, Paternoster Row, Cheapside, and the New Change Shopping Centre. Two stars indicate public toilet locations: one in Paternoster Square and one in the New Change Shopping Centre. A legend at the bottom left states '★ = Public Toilets'. A north arrow is located in the top right corner of the map area.

Our toilets are currently closed for essential refurbishment. Public toilets can be found in Paternoster Square and in New Change Shopping Centre. These are marked in the map. Please bear with us while we improve our facilities

We remember the following Friends
known to have died since the last Festival:

HH Judge Sir Gavyn Arthur
Mr John M Bliss
Mrs D E Bond
Mr Donald Bond
Mrs Shiela E Brown MBE
Mr Benjamin J Carroll
Miss Heather I Dare
Mr Andrew W Drysdale
Lt Col Brian Edwards
Sir Robert Finch
Miss Mary P Goodfellow
Mr Peter David Holliday
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Mr Philip Vracas
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Mr John Winn

Over the past year, St Paul's has benefitted from the generosity of a number of Cathedral supporters (Friends and others) who kindly remembered St Paul's in their Wills. Ranging from £1,000 to over £1,000,000 in one case, these bequests either already have or will soon make a significant difference to many areas of the cathedral's life. Making provision for causes special to you is easy – and also tax-efficient. When asking your legal adviser to draw up your Will, you can leave money to the cathedral generally (where the need is greatest) or for COLET our long-term endowment fund, or specify an area which means most to you, be it fabric or conservation, music, disabled access, or collections including art and books.

We remember in particular, and give thanks for, recent bequests from:

Keith Andrews
Joan Archer
Joan Barclay
Betty Cutchey
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Patricia Foreman
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The Friends of St Paul's Cathedral

Throughout the year we welcome many hundreds of thousands of people from all over the world to St Paul's. They may be drawn by its worship and liturgy, by its organ and choral music, by its sublime art and architecture, by its historical resonance, or by a combination of them all. Many thousands of them go on to support the Cathedral with a gift of time or of money or, again, by a combination of both. The Chapter is most grateful for, and heavily reliant upon, their contribution.

Much of what you see in the building today has been created or embellished by gifts from such people over the past 300 years, be they individual or corporate donors, livery companies or trusts and foundations.

Since 1952 and their first Festival on 21st May 1953, the Friends of St Paul's have played a significant part in this. Founded in the wake of the Second World War, when a group of volunteers known as the 'St Paul's Watch' was formed to protect the Cathedral from firebombs throughout the night, the Friends have cemented their friendship by supporting many projects at St Paul's. Over the years this has included vestments and pianos, choristerships and, most recently, the funding of a new top floor for the nearby Chapter House, originally also designed by Wren, which serves as the engine room of the Cathedral and has recently been renovated.

The Friends of St Paul's enjoy and benefit from the Patronage of Her Royal Highness The Duchess of Gloucester GCVO in succession to Her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother. The Lord Mayor of the City of London and the Bishop of London are Joint Presidents of the Friends.

If you are not yet yourself a Friend of St Paul's please do consider supporting the Cathedral in this way. As a Friend you enjoy free admission to the Cathedral, discount in the Cathedral shop, and a limited allocation of seats at certain annual occasions such as 'Messiah', this Festival and Advent Sunday Carols. In addition, you receive two annual 'Dome' magazines containing Cathedral news. You can support St Paul's with a gift today or tomorrow, or even many years in the future by means of a gift in your Will.

To support the Cathedral, including as a Friend of St Paul's, please contact The Friends' Secretary, The Chapter House, St Paul's Churchyard, London EC4M 8AD, 020 7246 8308 or www.stpauls.co.uk/friends

St Paul's Cathedral simply could not function without friendship. Thank you for yours.