



Choir Stall. Woodcarving of Pentecost (1508–9) Amiens Cathedral

23rd May 2021 at 11.00am

Mattins with Holy Communion

WHITSUNDAY

Celebrant Father Stephen Anderson Priest in Charge

Music before the service Percy Whitlock *Dolcezza & Folk Tune*

WELCOME – Fr Stephen

THE INTROIT

HYMN NEH 421 O King enthroned on high



O KING enthroned on high, Thou Comforter divine, Blest Spirit of all truth, be nigh And make us thine.

2 Thou art the Source of life, Thou art our treasure-store; Give us thy peace, and end our strife For evermore.

¶ Please kneel or sit

THE VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

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.

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 145, vv. 1–12



I WILL magnify thee O'God my'King : and I will praise thy' Name for 'ever and'ever.

- 2 Every day will I give thanks' unto' thee : and praise thy' Name for 'ever and'ever.
- 3 Great is the Lord, and marvellous worthy' to be' praised : there ' is no' end of his' greatness.
- 4 One generation shall praise thy works ' unto an'other : and de'clare ' thy ' power.
- 5 As for me, I will be talking ' of thy ' worship : thy glory thy ' praise and ' wondrous ' works;
- 6 So that men shall speak of the might of thy 'marvellous 'acts : and I will 'also' tell of thy 'greatness.

2nd Part

- 7 The memorial of thine abundant kindness' shall be' shewed : and 'men shall' sing of thy' righteousness.
- 8 The Lord is 'gracious and 'merciful : long-suffering 'and of 'great 'goodness.
- 9 The Lord is loving 'unto 'every man : and his mercy is 'over 'all his 'works.
- 10 All thy works praise ' thee O ' Lord : and thy ' saints give ' thanks unto ' thee.
- 11 They shew the glory 'of thy 'kingdom : and 'talk of 'thy 'power;
- 12 That thy power thy glory and mightiness 'of thy 'kingdom : might be 'known ' unto ' men.

Bescend, O heavenly Dove, Abide with us alway;
And in the fullness of thy love Cleanse us, we pray.

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.' A'men.

THE FIRST LESSON (read by Peter Patrick)

The first lesson is written in the second chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, beginning at the first verse. And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language. And they were all amazed and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galilaeans? And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born? Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judaea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia, Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes, Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

Here endeth the first lesson.

THE TE DEUM





THE SECOND LESSON (read by Nell Burnham)

The second lesson is written in the fourteenth chapter of the Gospel according to St John, beginning at the fifteenth verse.

F ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, L that he may abide with you for ever; Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you. Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also. At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you. He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him. Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world? Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me. These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe. Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me. But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do. *Here endeth the second lesson.*

THE APOSTLES' CREED

T believe in God

L 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 Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.

Let us pray

¶ Please kneel or sit

THE PRAYERS

GOD, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen**.

O LORD, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who after his ascension didst send upon the first disciples thy promised gift of the Holy Spirit: Regard, we pray thee, the present need of thy Church, and grant us by the same Spirit to be endued with strength from on high, that we may bear effectual witness to the truth of thy holy Gospel; so that we who serve thee may be strengthened and encouraged and those who serve thee not, may be convinced and converted; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

O GOD, the Creator and Preserver of all, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of thy people; that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations.

We pray for the peace of the world, especially in the Middle East, between Israel and Palestine at this time. We pray for an end to violence and incitement and for the success of the peace efforts now under way and for an enduring settlement.

We remember especially the people of India at this time amongst all who face the tribulations of pandemic, praying for all who are in any ways afflicted and all who work to bring relief and healing.

We pray for the good estate of thy Holy Church: that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. We pray especially for the life and work for all missionary societies on this day and those everywhere who preach the Gospel.

We commend to thy fatherly goodness all those, who are any ways afflicted, or distressed, in mind, body or estate; remembering especially Vivienne Lake, *Priest*, Dianne Fraser, Mary Lester, Janet and Chris Nevitt and Greg Paris, that it may please Thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities, giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of their afflictions.

And we pray for Anne Harcombe, Valerie Quarterman and Wendy Paris, whose lives are drawing to a close, that they may journey through the shadow of death, fearing no evil, and that thy rod and staff may comfort them. And we remember also Elsie Ann Hedley, Moya Flurry, Elizabeth Ann Marley and Andy Dunn, recently departed of this life. May they and all who face death come to dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. We remember also their families and friends that remain and who grieve their loss, that they may be consoled and comforted. All this we beg, in the name of Our Risen Lord, Jesus Christ. **Amen**.

ADDRESS

Preacher – Revd Dr Jonathan Holmes Life Fellow& former Dean of Chapel, Queens' College



OFFERTORY HYMN NEH 139 Come thou Holy Spirit come

- Come, thou Holy Spirit, come, and from thy celestial home shed a ray of light divine; come, thou Father of the poor, come, thou source of all our store, come, within our hearts to shine.
- 2 Thou of comforters the best, thou the soul's most welcome guest, sweet refreshment here below; in our labour rest most sweet, grateful coolness in the heat, solace in the midst of woe.
- 3 O most blessèd Light divine, shine within these hearts of thine, and our inmost being fill; where thou art not, man hath naught, nothing good in deed or thought, nothing free from taint of ill.
- 4 Heal our wounds; our strength renew; on our dryness pour thy dew; wash the stains of guilt away; bend the stubborn heart and will; melt the frozen, warm the chill; guide the steps that go astray.
- 5 On the faithful, who adore and confess thee, evermore in thy sevenfold gifts descend: Give them virtue's sure reward, give them thy salvation, Lord, give them joys that never end.

¶ Please kneel or sit

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

YE that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

▲ LMIGHTY 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.

THE ABSOLUTION

A LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; + pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

¶ Please stand

THE SURSUM CORDA

THE Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God. It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord; according to whose most true promise, the Holy Ghost came down as at this time from heaven with a sudden great sound, as it had been a mighty wind, in the likeness of fiery tongues, lighting upon the Apostles, to teach them, and to lead them to all truth; giving them both the gift of divers languages, and also boldness with fervent zeal constantly to preach the Gospel unto all nations; whereby we have been brought out of darkness and error into the clear light and true knowledge of thee, and of thy Son Jesus Christ. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and singing:

THE SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS (sung by the choir to the setting by Charles Wood, in the Phrygian mode) HOLY, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most High. Amen. + Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

¶ Please sit or kneel

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

W/E do not presume

VV to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

A LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again: Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that by the power of the Holy Spirit, we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed + Body and Blood: Who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: *Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you; Do this in remembrance of me.* Likewise, after supper, he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying: *Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins; Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.* Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI (setting by Charles Wood)

O LAMB of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

THE Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, and the Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life: Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith with thanksgiving. Amen.

¶ In accordance with the Anglican tradition, Holy Communion is administered in both kinds i.e. the consecrated Bread and Wine. During the current pandemic, this can only be offered by intinction i.e. the consecrated wafer dipped in the consecrated wine, as the sharing of the Common Cup (Chalice) by sipping the consecrated wine is not permitted.

THE COMMUNION ANTHEMS Thomas Attwood Come, Holy Gost

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire, and lighten with celestial fire. Thou the anointing Spirit art, who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.

Thy blessed unction from above is comfort, life, and fire of love. Enable with perpetual light the dullness of our blinded sight. Anoint and cheer our soiled face with the abundance of thy grace. Keep far from foes, give peace at home: where thou art guide, no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son, and thee, of both, to be but One, that through the ages all along, this may be our endless song: Praise to thy eternal merit, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Thomas Tallis *If ye love me*

If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may 'bide with you forever; e'en the spirit of truth.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UR 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.

THE PRAYER OF OBLATION

O LORD and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that all we, who are partakers of this Holy Communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction. And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, + the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

¶ Please stand



- O THOU who camest from above, The pure celestial fire to impart, Kindle a flame of sacred love On the mean altar of my heart.
- 2 There let it for thy glory burn With inextinguishable blaze, And trembling to its source return In humble prayer, and fervent praise.
- 3 Jesus, confirm my heart's desire To work, and speak, and think for thee; Still let me guard the holy fire, And still stir up thy gift in me.
- 4 Ready for all thy perfect will, My acts of faith and love repeat, Till death thy endless mercies seal, And make my sacrifice complete.

Closing organ voluntary CHH Parry *Chorale Prelude on Croft's 136*



The Pentecost was originally a Hebrew feast of thanksgiving encompassing seven weeks. The Christian feast has been observed with special veneration from at least the fourth century. It marks the miraculous inauguration of the Church and the preaching mission of the Apostles. Through the descent of the Holy Spirit they were transformed from simple followers of Jesus into the spiritual leaders of the new Christian community. Mary, mother of Jesus, is included in the scene, based upon the text from Acts 1: 12-14. She appeared frequently according to Early Christian tradition, the first known illustrated example appearing in the 6th century Gospel Book of Rabbula.¹ This wooden choir stall carving continues that tradition, separated by almost a millennium.



Master of the Egmont Albums. The Pentecost. Pen and ink, 16th century. Netherlandish

'And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.' ² The appearance of the Holy Spirit to Christ's disciples after his Ascension is depicted here in a scene of densely packed figures that enhance the drama of the occasion.

¹ MS completed c 586, the book is now in the Biblioteca Laurenziana, Florence, designed by Michelangelo in 1523 for the Medici Pope, Clement VII.

² Acts 2:1-4