



Exeter
Cathedral

Choral Evensong

Sunday 21 February 2021
4pm

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT



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Welcome to the Cathedral

The Cathedral Church of St. Peter in Exeter, founded in 1050, has been the seat [*cathedra*] of the bishop of Exeter, the symbol of his spiritual and teaching authority, for nearly 1000 years. As such the Cathedral is a centre of worship and mission for the whole of Devon. A centuries-old pattern of daily worship continues, sustained by the best of the Anglican choral tradition. The cathedral is a place of outreach, learning, and spirituality, inviting people into a richer and more engaged discipleship. The Cathedral is a destination for many pilgrims and visitors who come from near and far, drawn by the physical and spiritual heritage of this place. Exeter Cathedral belongs to all the people of Devon, and we warmly welcome you to this online service.

Ministers

President: The Revd Canon Cate Edmonds - *Canon Steward*
Preacher: The Revd Canon Morwenna Ludlow - *Canon Theologian*

Offertory

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The Preces and Responses are sung to the setting by Kenneth Leighton.

The Cathedral's Consort, its professional adult singers, will be singing at this act of worship.

The Consort stands and sings

V. O Lord, open thou our lips.

R. *And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.*

V. O God, make speed to save us.

R. *O Lord, make haste to help us.*

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.

R. *As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen.*

V. Praise ye the Lord.

R. *The Lord's Name be praised.*

Welcome

The Revd Canon Cate Edmonds - *Canon Steward*

Psalm 119:17-32

Retribuere servo tuo

The Consort sings

O do well unto thy servant: that I may live, and keep thy word.

¹⁸ Open thou mine eyes: that I may see the wondrous things of thy law.

¹⁹ I am a stranger upon earth: O hide not thy commandments from me.

²⁰ My soul breaketh out for the very fervent desire: that it hath always
unto thy judgements.

²¹ Thou hast rebuked the proud: and cursed are they that do err from
thy commandments.

²² O turn from me shame and rebuke: for I have kept thy testimonies.

²³ Princes also did sit and speak against me: but thy servant is
occupied in thy statutes.

²⁴ For thy testimonies are my delight: and my counsellors.

²⁵ My soul cleaveth to the dust: O quicken thou me, according to thy
word.

²⁶ I have acknowledged my ways, and thou heardest me: O teach me
thy statutes.

²⁷ Make me to understand the way of thy commandments: and so shall
I talk of thy wondrous works.

²⁸ My soul melteth away for very heaviness: comfort thou me according
unto thy word.

²⁹ Take from me the way of lying: and cause thou me to make much of
thy law.

³⁰ I have chosen the way of truth: and thy judgements have I laid before me.

³¹ I have stuck unto thy testimonies: O Lord, confound me not.

³² I will run the way of thy commandments *
when thou hast set my heart at liberty.

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 Consort sits.

The First Lesson

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Here begins the fifteenth verse of the second Chapter of the book of Genesis.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.' Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God say, "You shall not eat from any tree in the garden"?' The woman said to the serpent, 'We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, "You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die."' ' But the serpent said to the woman, 'You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.' So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Here ends the first lesson.

Magnificat

The Consort stands and sings

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.

*Setting: Service in G
Composer: Francis Jackson (b1917)*

The Consort sits.

The Second Lesson

Romans 5:12-19

Here begins the twelfth verse of the fifth Chapter of St Paul's letter to the Romans.

Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned - sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the

judgement following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

Here ends the second lesson.

Nunc Dimittis

The Consort stands and sings

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.

*Setting: Service in G
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The Apostles' Creed

The clergy and Consort say

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 Consort sings

V. The Lord be with you.

R. *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.*

V. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

R. *And grant us thy salvation.*

V. O Lord, save the Queen.

R. *And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.*

V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

R. *And make thy chosen people joyful.*

V. O Lord, save thy people.

R. *And bless thine inheritance.*

V. Give peace in our time, O Lord.

R. *Because there is none other that fighteth for us,
but only thou, O God.*

V. O God, make clean our hearts within us.

R. *And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.*

The Collect of the Day

O Lord, who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights: Give us grace to use such abstinence, that, our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey thy godly motions in righteousness and true holiness, to thy honour and glory, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one, God, world without end.

Amen.

The Collect for Ash Wednesday

Almighty and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.

Anthem

The Consort remains standing and sings

Ne irascaris, Domine, satis
et ne ultra memineris iniquitatis nostrae.
Ecce, respice, populus tuus omnes nos.
Civitas sancti tui facta est deserta.
Sion deserta facta est, Jerusalem desolata est.

*Be not angry, O Lord, still,
neither remember our iniquity for ever.
Behold, see, we beseech thee, we are all thy people.
The holy cities are a wilderness.
Sion is a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation.*

*Words: Isaiah 64:9
Music: William Byrd (1540-1623)*

The Consort sits.

Sermon

The Revd Canon Morwenna Ludlow - *Canon Theologian*

Prayers

The Consort stands.

Blessing

Final Responses

Edward Naylor

The Consort sing

V. The Lord be with you
R. *and with thy spirit.*

V. The Lord give us his peace
R. *and life eternal, Amen.*

Organ Voluntary

Notices

Sunday Zoom Coffee. We are reinstating a Zoom 'coffee hour' at 1100 for the coming weeks. Do join us online after the Morning Eucharist for to chat, catch up, celebrate and commiserate with each other, and pore over the sermon. Meeting ID: 732 5358 6706 Passcode: 270422

The Cathedral Shop is now online via the Cathedral website

Readings next Sunday (28 February, 1000 Choral Eucharist, The Second Sunday of Lent): Genesis 9:8-17; Psalm 25:1-9; Mark 1:9-15

Preachers next Sunday 28 February:

0800: The Very Revd Jonathan Greener - *Dean*

1000: The Revd Canon James Mustard - *Precentor*

1600: The Revd Canon Cate Edmonds - *Canon Steward*

1800: The Revd Canon Ian Morter - *Priest Vicar*

Those who are sick or in need:

Rosemary Joy, John Thompson, Jane Jones, Cilla Dainty, Katherine, Paul Nash, Lesley, Nigel, Simon Turrell, David Risdon, Richard Northcott, Denise, Barbara Parry, David Moss, Emily Appleton, Charles Johnson, Tom Treloar, Bill Oliphant, David Webster, William, Jacqueline Cooke, Sue Williams, Joy, Maggie Faulkner, Pam and her family, Sue, HRH The Duke of Edinburgh, Illya, Yve Taylor, Elsie Howell, Anthony, Lilian Lovell.

Please pray for all those recently bereaved: Judith, Vivien, Katherine.

Rest in Peace: Jan Taylor, Lucian Nethsingha. Chati Mancilla, Sylvia Ackland, Chris Knott, Maureen Jones, Tommy Dann, Bex Lewis, Tony Moore.

The Treasures of Romania: Monday 20- Wednesday 29 September 2021 Bishop Martin and Elspeth Shaw invite you to join them on a journey of a nation in its traditions and development. From the vibrancy of Bucharest, we will move across the Carpathian Mountains to the famous World Heritage [UNESCO] Bucovina monastery churches. Via Moldavia, we will come to Transylvania, staying at the historic mansion of Szekerland. Our journey will be completed by a visit to a Children's Hospice, cared for by an Orthodox priest. We'll have a daily Eucharist and time to enjoy new as well as deepen friendship. Cost: £1695 [which includes a deposit of £200] If you are interested to receive more information, please contact Bishop Martin: 07801 549615

Worship this week:

Monday to Saturday:

0900 Morning Prayer - Zoom ID 847 6869 5587 Code 025062

1700 Evening Prayer - Zoom ID 892 3161 5055 Code 017840

Next Sunday:

0800 Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) - Live-stream only

0900 Morning Prayer - Zoom ID 847 6869 5587 Code 025062

1000 The Eucharist with Consort - Live-stream only

1600 Evensong with Consort - Live-stream only

1800 Sundays at 6 - Livestream only

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