

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 4 September 2022



Southwell
Minster
THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF
THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

3.30pm Evensong

Organ Prelude: *Apparition de l'Église éternelle*, Olivier Messiaen (1908-92)

Preces and Responses: Thomas Tallis (c.1505-85)

Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis: *Collegium Regale*, Adrian Cruft (1921-87)

INTROIT *sung by the choir from the North Transept*

Gloria tibi, Domine,
Qui natus es de Virgine,
Cum Patre et Sancto Spiritu,
In sempiterna saecula. Amen.

*All honour, laud, and glory be,
O Jesu Virgin-born, to thee,
All glory, as is ever meet
To Father and to Paraclete. Amen.*

*Words: from QUEM TERRA, PONTUS, SIDERA
Latin hymn, attrib. Venantius Fortunatus (c.530-c.600)
trans. John Mason Neale (1818-66)*

Music: William Byrd (c.1539-1623)

OFFICE HYMN: O blest Creator of the light (*page 11 in Evensong booklet*)

PSALMODY

Psalm 121

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills:
from whence cometh my help.
My help cometh even from the Lord:
who hath made heaven and earth.
He will not suffer thy foot to be moved:
and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.
Behold, he that keepeth Israel:
shall neither slumber nor sleep.
The Lord himself is thy keeper:
the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand;
So that the sun shall not burn thee by day:
neither the moon by night.
The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil:
yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.
The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in:
from this time forth for evermore.

Thus says the Lord,
your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel:
For your sake I will send to Babylon
and break down all the bars,
and the shouting of the Chaldeans will be turned to lamentation.
I am the Lord, your Holy One,
the Creator of Israel, your King.
Thus says the Lord,
who makes a way in the sea,
a path in the mighty waters,
who brings out chariot and horse,
army and warrior;
they lie down, they cannot rise,
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:
Do not remember the former things,
or consider the things of old.
I am about to do a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.
The wild animals will honour me,
the jackals and the ostriches;
for I give water in the wilderness,
rivers in the desert,
to give drink to my chosen people,
the people whom I formed for myself
so that they might declare my praise.
Yet you did not call upon me, O Jacob;
but you have been weary of me, O Israel!
You have not brought me your sheep for burnt-offerings,
or honoured me with your sacrifices.
I have not burdened you with offerings,
or wearied you with frankincense.
You have not bought me sweet cane with money,
or satisfied me with the fat of your sacrifices.
But you have burdened me with your sins;
you have wearied me with your iniquities.

I, I am He
 who blots out your transgressions for my own sake,
 and I will not remember your sins.
 Accuse me, let us go to trial;
 set forth your case, so that you may be proved right.
 Your first ancestor sinned,
 and your interpreters transgressed against me.
 Therefore I profaned the princes of the sanctuary,
 I delivered Jacob to utter destruction,
 and Israel to reviling.

But now hear, O Jacob my servant,
 Israel whom I have chosen!
 Thus says the Lord who made you,
 who formed you in the womb and will help you:
 Do not fear, O Jacob my servant,
 Jeshurun whom I have chosen.
 For I will pour water on the thirsty land,
 and streams on the dry ground;
 I will pour my spirit upon your descendants,
 and my blessing on your offspring.
 They shall spring up like a green tamarisk,
 like willows by flowing streams.
 This one will say, 'I am the Lord's',
 another will be called by the name of Jacob,
 yet another will write on the hand, 'The Lord's',
 and adopt the name of Israel.

MAGNIFICAT (*see page 5 of Evensong booklet*)

SECOND READING

John 5: 30–47

'I can do nothing on my own. As I hear, I judge; and my judgement is just, because I seek to do not my own will but the will of him who sent me.

'If I testify about myself, my testimony is not true. There is another who testifies on my behalf, and I know that his testimony to me is true. You sent messengers to John, and he testified to the truth. Not that I accept such human testimony, but I say these things so that you may be saved.

He was a burning and shining lamp, and you were willing to rejoice for a while in his light. But I have a testimony greater than John's. The works that the Father has given me to complete, the very works that I am doing, testify on my behalf that the Father has sent me. And the Father who sent me has himself testified on my behalf. You have never heard his voice or seen his form, and you do not have his word abiding in you, because you do not believe him whom he has sent.

'You search the scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that testify on my behalf. Yet you refuse to come to me to have life. I do not accept glory from human beings. But I know that you do not have the love of God in you. I have come in my Father's name, and you do not accept me; if another comes in his own name, you will accept him. How can you believe when you accept glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the one who alone is God? Do not think that I will accuse you before the Father; your accuser is Moses, on whom you have set your hope. If you believed Moses, you would believe me, for he wrote about me. But if you do not believe what he wrote, how will you believe what I say?'

NUNC DIMITTIS (*see page 6 of Evensong booklet*)

THE APOSTLES' CREED (*see page 6 of Evensong booklet*)

LESSER LITANY, LORD'S PRAYER AND RESPONSES (*see page 7 of Evensong booklet*)

including

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God,
who art always more ready to hear than we to pray,
and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve;
Pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy;
forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid,
and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask,
but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord.
Amen.

ANTHEM sung by the choir

Lord, thou hast been our refuge:
from one generation to another.
Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the
world were made:
thou art God from everlasting, and world without end.
Thou turnest man to destruction:
again thou sayest, Come again, ye children of men.
For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday:
seeing that is past as a watch in the night.
As soon as thou scatterest them they are even as a sleep:
and fade away suddenly like the grass.
In the morning it is green and groweth up:
but in the evening it is cut down, dried up, and withered.
For when thou art angry all our days are gone:
we bring our years to an end, as it were a tale that is told.

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Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the
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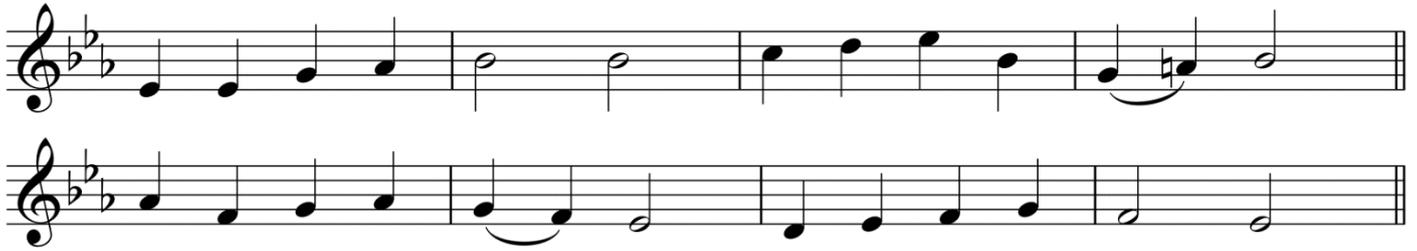
Words: Psalm 90: 1-6, 9

Music: Ernest Walker (1870-1949)

HOMILY given by the Revd Paul Rattigan, Canon Missioner

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION led by the Revd Dr Richard Frith, Canon Precentor

OFFERTORY HYMN *during which a collection is taken for the mission and ministry of the Cathedral*



Lord, thy word abideth,
And our footsteps guideth;
Who its truth believeth,
Light and joy receiveth.

When our foes are near us,
Then thy word doth cheer us,
Word of consolation,
Message of salvation.

When the storms are o'er us,
And dark clouds before us,
Then its light directeth,
And our way protecteth.

Who can tell the pleasure,
Who recount the treasure
By thy word imparted
To the simple-hearted?

Word of mercy, giving
Succour to the living;
Word of life, supplying
Comfort to the dying.

O that we discerning
Its most holy learning,
Lord, may love and fear thee,
Evermore be near thee!

Words: *Henry Williams Baker (1821-77)*

Tune: *RAVENSHAW NEH 407*
German traditional
harm. William Henry Monk (1823-89)

THE BLESSING

THE DISMISSAL

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Prelude and Fugue in D 'Hallelujah!'

Franz Schmidt (1874-1939)

Once the ministers and choir have departed, you are invited to sit to listen quietly to the organ voluntary. If you wish to leave at this point, please do so without disturbing those who may still wish to listen or pray. The clergy will stand in the Crossing to greet you on your way out.

We have now resumed the practice of taking the collection during the Offertory Hymn at our Sunday services. However, donations in support of the mission and ministry of the Cathedral by other means are equally welcome. Envelopes and cash may also be deposited in the donation box near each entrance, or donations by card can be made using the contactless donation station. If you are a UK taxpayer, you are invited to fill in your details on the Gift Aid envelopes provided so that we can reclaim your income tax and thus increase your donation by 25p for every £1 given. Alternatively, you can give online at www.southwellminster.org/donate. Please give generously.

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