

Evensong, Sunday November 22nd 2020

Welcome to this service of Evensong for the Feast of Christ the King
which comes to you
from the Church of St Alphege, Solihull.

(First Versicles)

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...AMEN

Praise ye the Lord.

the Lord's name be praised.

Psalm 93

Dominus regnavit

- 1. THE Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel: the Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength.*
- 2. He hath made the round world so sure: that it cannot be moved.*
- 3. Ever since the world began hath thy seat been prepared: thou art from everlasting.*
- 4. The floods are risen, O Lord, the floods have lift up their voice: the floods lift up their waves.*
- 5. The waves of the sea are mighty, and rage horribly: but yet the Lord, who dwelleth on high, is mightier.*
- 6. Thy testimonies, O Lord, are very sure: holiness becometh thine house for ever. GLORIA*

First Lesson -2 Samuel 23. 1-7

Now these are the last words of David:

The oracle of David, son of Jesse,
the oracle of the man whom God exalted,^[a]
the anointed of the God of Jacob,
the favorite of the Strong One of Israel:

²The spirit of the LORD speaks through me,
his word is upon my tongue.

³The God of Israel has spoken,
the Rock of Israel has said to me:

One who rules over people justly,
ruling in the fear of God,

⁴is like the light of morning,
like the sun rising on a cloudless morning,
gleaming from the rain on the grassy land.

⁵Is not my house like this with God?

For he has made with me an everlasting covenant,
ordered in all things and secure.

Will he not cause to prosper
all my help and my desire?

⁶But the godless are^[b] all like thorns that are thrown away;
for they cannot be picked up with the hand;

⁷to touch them one uses an iron bar
or the shaft of a spear.

And they are entirely consumed in fire on the spot.

Magnificat

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. GLORIA

Second Lesson Matthew 28. 16-end

¹⁶ Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."^[d]

Nunc Dimittis

*Lord, + now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace :
according to thy word.*

*2 For mine eyes have seen :
thy salvation;*

*3 Which thou hast prepared :
before the face of all people;*

*4 To be a light to lighten the Gentiles :
and to be the glory of thy people Israel. GLORIA*

(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,^[b]
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.

(2nd Versicles)

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..... from evil. AMEN..

O Lord show Thy mercy upon us.

And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the Queen.

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.

Collects

Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

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*

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*

[Sermon]

(music)

Prayers (ending in the Grace)