

# CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL

**CHORAL MATTINS**

CHRISTMAS DAY 2019  
10.00am



## WELCOME TO CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL FOR OUR CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

*This booklet contains all you will need to follow the service. The booklet includes suggestions about posture, but it is important that individuals feel comfortable.*

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### Organ Music before the Service

*Played by Harry Spencer, Organ Scholar:*

CHORAL FANTASIA 'WIE SCHON LEUCHTET  
DER MORGENSTERN' BuxWV 223

*Dieterich Buxtehude  
(c.1637-1707)*

PRELUDE AND FUGUE IN G MAJOR BWV 541

*Johann Sebastian Bach  
(1685-1750)*

## ORDER OF SERVICE

*Please stand as the procession enters.*

### Hymn

**Hark! the herald angels sing  
glory to the new-born King;  
peace on earth and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled:  
joyful all ye nations rise,  
join the triumph of the skies,  
with th' angelic host proclaim,  
Christ is born in Bethlehem:  
*Hark! the herald angels sing  
glory to the new-born King.***

**Christ, by highest heaven adored,  
Christ, the everlasting Lord,  
late in time behold him come,  
offspring of a Virgin's womb!  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,  
hail th' incarnate Deity!  
pleased as man with man to dwell,  
Jesus, our Emmanuel:**

**Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!  
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all he brings,  
risen with healing in his wings;  
mild he lays his glory by,  
born that man no more may die,  
born to raise the sons of earth,  
born to give them second birth:**

*Charles Wesley (1707-1788)*

*Mendelssohn  
from a chorus by Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809-1847)  
Descant: David Willcocks (1919-2015)*

*The cantor and choir sing*

## The Preces

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.

*Bernard Rose (1916-1996)*

## The Psalmody

*Please sit as the choir sings*

### PSALM 8

O Lord our Governor, how excellent is thy Name in all the world:  
thou that hast set thy glory above the heavens!  
Out of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast thou ordained  
strength, because of thine enemies: that thou mightest still the  
enemy and the avenger.  
For I will consider thy heavens, even the works of thy fingers: the  
moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained.  
What is man, that thou art mindful of him: and the son of man,  
that thou visitest him?  
Thou madest him lower than the angels: to crown him with glory  
and worship.

Thou makest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands:  
and thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet;  
All sheep and oxen: yea, and the beasts of the field;  
The fowls of the air, and the fishes of the sea: and whatsoever  
walketh through the paths of the seas.  
O Lord our Governor: how excellent is thy Name in all the world!

*Please 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.

*Please sit for*

## The Old Testament Lesson

ISAIAH 62: 1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

*Please stand as the choir sings*

## Te Deum Laudamus

We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.  
All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.  
To thee all Angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the powers therein.  
To thee Cherubin and Seraphin continually do cry,  
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;  
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of thy glory.  
The glorious company of the Apostles praise thee.  
The goodly fellowship of the Prophets praise thee.  
The noble army of Martyrs praise thee.  
The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee;  
The Father of an infinite Majesty;  
Thine honourable, true, and only Son;  
Also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.  
Thou art the King of glory, O Christ.  
Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.  
When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man, thou didst not  
    abhor the Virgin's womb.  
When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, thou didst  
    open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.  
Thou sittest at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father.  
We believe that thou shalt come to be our Judge.  
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants, whom thou hast  
    redeemed with thy precious blood.  
Make them to be numbered with thy Saints in glory everlasting.  
O Lord, save thy people and bless thine heritage.  
Govern them and lift them up for ever.  
Day by day we magnify thee;  
And we worship thy Name, ever world without end.  
Vouchsafe, O Lord to keep us this day without sin.  
O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.  
O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us, as our trust is in thee.  
O Lord, in thee have I trusted; let me never be confounded.

*Morning Service in C  
Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)*

*Please sit for*

## The New Testament Lesson

MATTHEW 1: 18-END

The birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.' All this took place to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: 'Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel', which means, 'God is with us.' When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

*Please stand as the choir sings*

## Jubilate Deo

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness,  
and come before his presence with a song.  
Be ye sure that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and  
not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.  
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts  
with praise: be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.  
For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting: and his truth  
endureth from generation to generation.



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.

*Please remain standing to say together*

## 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 cantor and choir sing*

## The Responses

The Lord be with you.  
And with thy spirit.

*Please 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.

O Lord, shew 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.

## The Collects

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin: grant that we being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

*Choir:* Amen.

### THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Choir:* Amen.

### THE COLLECT FOR GRACE

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.

*Choir:* Amen.

*Please sit as the choir sings*

## The Anthem

### QUEM VIDISTIS PASTORES

Quem vidistis pastores dicite:  
et annuntiate nobis in terris quis apparuit.  
Natum vidimus, et choros angelorum  
collaudantes Dominum. Alleluia.

*Tell us, shepherds, whom ye have seen:  
and declare who has appeared on earth.  
We have seen the babe, and choirs of angels  
singing high praise to the Lord. Alleluia.*

*Mattins responsories*

*Richard Dering (c. 1580-1630)*

## Homily

*The Reverend Canon Dr Dan Inman, Chancellor*

*Please stand.*

## Hymn

**The first Nowell the angel did say  
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as  
they lay;  
in fields where they lay, keeping their sheep,  
on a cold winter's night that was so deep:  
*Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,  
born is the King of Israel!***

They looked up and saw a star,  
shining in the east, beyond them far:  
and to the earth it gave great light,  
and so it continued both day and night:  
*Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,*  
*born is the King of Israel!*

Then let us all with one accord  
sing praises to our heavenly Lord,  
that hath made heaven and earth of naught,  
and with his blood mankind hath bought:  
*Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,*  
*born is the King of Israel!*

NEH 36  
*Traditional words*

*The First Nowell*  
*English third mode melody*  
*Harmony by John Stainer (1840-1901)*

## The Blessing

*Please remain standing as the procession departs.*

## Music after the Service

*Played by Timothy Ravalde, Assistant Organist*

TE DEUM  
*Jean Langlais (1907-1991)*

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