



Friday 25 June 2021

Morning Song

Choral Worship to Start the Day

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Introit Justorum animae *Stanford*

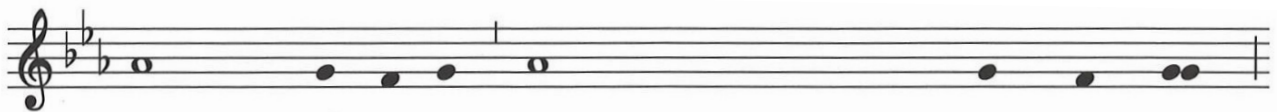
Justorum animae in manu Dei sunt,
et non tanget illos tormentum mortis.
Visi sunt oculis insipientium mori,
illi autem sunt in pace.

*The souls of the just are in the hand of God,
and the torment of death shall not touch them.
In the sight of the unwise they seemed to die;
but they are in peace.*

Translation by St Ann choir

Welcome

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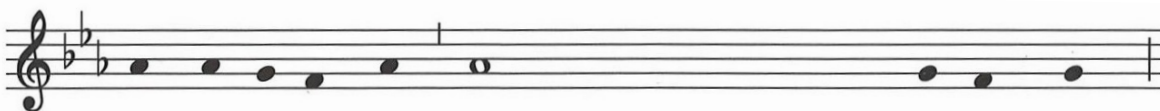
O Lord, o-pen our lips **and our mouth shall pro-claim your praise.**



Give us the joy of your sa-ving help



and sus-tain us with your life - giv-ing Spi-rit.



Bless-ed is the Lord, **for he has heard the voice of our prayer;**



therefore shall our hearts dance for joy



and in our song will we praise our God.

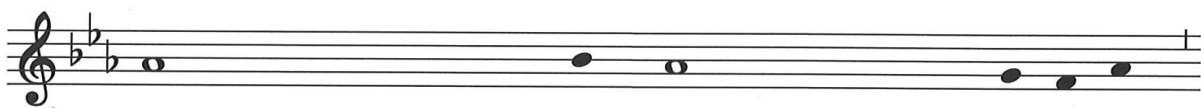
The night has passed, and the day lies open before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

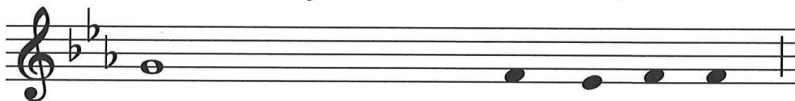
As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

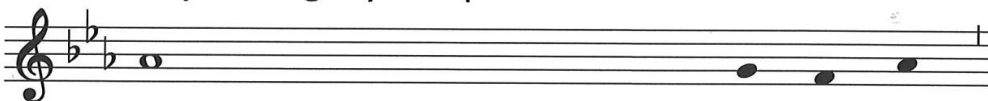
Prayer of Thanksgiving



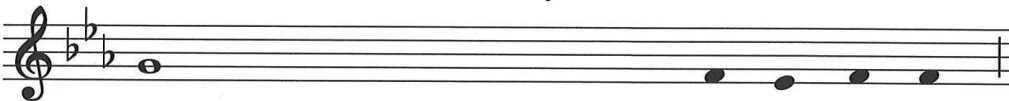
Blessèd are you, Lord our God, creator and redeem-er of all;



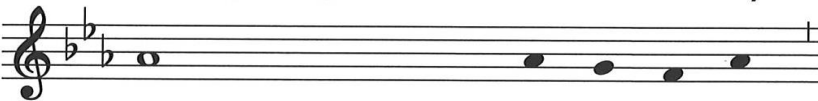
to you be glory and praise for ev - er.



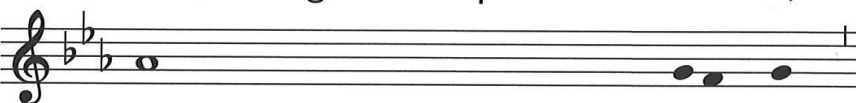
From the waters of chaos you drew forth the world



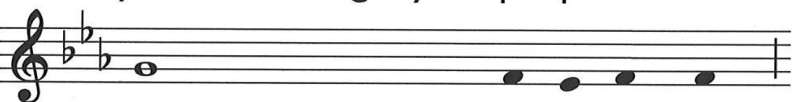
and in your great love fashioned us in your im-age.



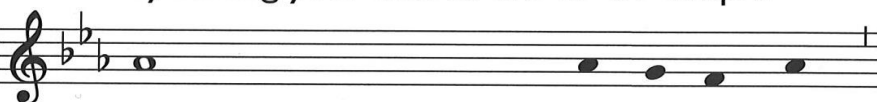
Now, through the deep wa - ters of death,



you have brought your people to new birth



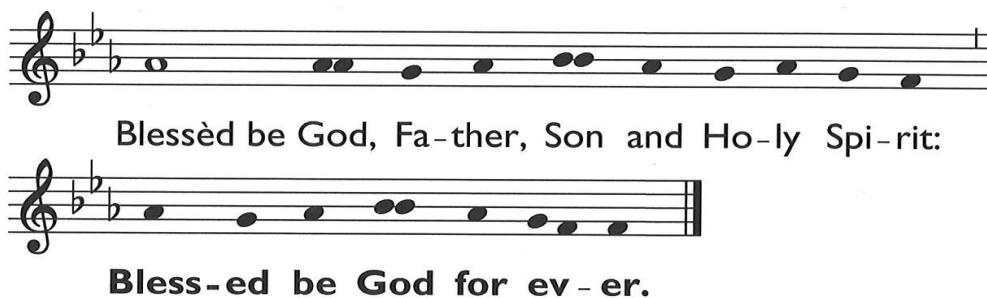
by raising your Son to life in tri-umph.



May Christ your light ever dawn in our hearts



as we offer you our sacrifice of thanks and praise.



Psalmody Psalm 55. 1-9, 20-end

- 1 Hear my prayer, O God;
hide not yourself from my petition.
- 2 Give heed to me and answer me;
I am restless in my complaining.
- 3 I am alarmed at the voice of the enemy
and at the clamour of the wicked;
- 4 For they would bring down evil upon me
and are set against me in fury.
- 5 My heart is disquieted within me,
and the terrors of death have fallen upon me.
- 6 Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me,
and a horrible dread has overwhelmed me.
- 7 And I said: 'O that I had wings like a dove,
for then would I fly away and be at rest.
- 8 'Then would I flee far away
and make my lodging in the wilderness.
- 9 'I would make haste to escape
from the stormy wind and tempest.'
- 20 From the battle waged against me, He shall redeem my soul in peace
from the battle waged against me, for many have come upon me.

continued...

- 21 Will hear and bring them down; God, who is enthroned of old,
will hear and bring them down; they will not repent, for they have no
fear of God.
- 22 My companion stretched out his hands against his friend
and has broken his covenant;
- 23 His speech was softer than butter, though war was in his heart;
his words were smoother than oil, yet are they naked swords.
- 24 Cast your burden upon the Lord and he will sustain you,
and will not let the righteous fall for ever.
- 25 But those that are bloodthirsty and deceitful, O God,
you will bring down to the pit of destruction.
- 26 They shall not live out half their days,
but my trust shall be in you, O Lord.

Old Testament Reading Job 31

‘I have made a covenant with my eyes; how then could I look upon a virgin? What would be my portion from God above, and my heritage from the Almighty on high? Does not calamity befall the unrighteous, and disaster the workers of iniquity? Does he not see my ways, and number all my steps? ‘If I have walked with falsehood, and my foot has hurried to deceit—let me be weighed in a just balance, and let God know my integrity!—if my step has turned aside from the way, and my heart has followed my eyes, and if any spot has clung to my hands; then let me sow, and another eat; and let what grows for me be rooted out. ‘If my heart has been enticed by a woman, and I have lain in wait at my neighbour’s door; then let my wife grind for another, and let other men kneel over her. For that would be a heinous crime; that would be a criminal offence; for that would be a fire consuming down to Abaddon, and it would burn to the root all my harvest. ‘If I have rejected the cause of my male or female slaves, when they brought a complaint against me; what then shall I do when God rises up? When he makes inquiry, what shall I answer him? Did not he who made me in the womb make them? And did not one fashion us in the womb? ‘If I have withheld anything that the poor desired, or have caused the eyes of the widow to fail, or have eaten my morsel alone, and the orphan has not eaten from it—for from my youth I reared the orphan like a father, and from my mother’s womb I guided the

widow—if I have seen anyone perish for lack of clothing, or a poor person without covering, whose loins have not blessed me, and who was not warmed with the fleece of my sheep; if I have raised my hand against the orphan, because I saw I had supporters at the gate; then let my shoulder blade fall from my shoulder, and let my arm be broken from its socket. For I was in terror of calamity from God, and I could not have faced his majesty. ‘If I have made gold my trust, or called fine gold my confidence; if I have rejoiced because my wealth was great, or because my hand had acquired much; if I have looked at the sun when it shone, or the moon moving in splendour, and my heart has been secretly enticed, and my mouth has kissed my hand; this also would be an iniquity to be punished by the judges, for I should have been false to God above. ‘If I have rejoiced at the ruin of those who hated me, or exulted when evil overtook them—I have not let my mouth sin by asking for their lives with a curse—if those of my tent ever said, “O that we might be sated with his flesh!”—the stranger has not lodged in the street; I have opened my doors to the traveller—if I have concealed my transgressions as others do, by hiding my iniquity in my bosom, because I stood in great fear of the multitude, and the contempt of families terrified me, so that I kept silence, and did not go out of doors—O that I had one to hear me! (Here is my signature! Let the Almighty answer me!) O that I had the indictment written by my adversary! Surely I would carry it on my shoulder; I would bind it on me like a crown; I would give him an account of all my steps; like a prince I would approach him. ‘If my land has cried out against me, and its furrows have wept together; if I have eaten its yield without payment, and caused the death of its owners; let thorns grow instead of wheat, and foul weeds instead of barley.’ The words of Job are ended.

Canticle *Plainsong*

We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as Lord;
all creation worships you, the Father everlasting.

To you all angels, all the powers of heav'n,
the cherubim and seraphim, sing in endless praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory,
full of your glory.

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The glorious company of apostles praise you.
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.
The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.

Throughout the world the holy church acclaims you:
Father, of majesty unbounded;
your true and only Son, worthy of all praise;
the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

You, Christ, are the king of glory,
the eternal Son of the Father.

When you took our flesh to set us free
you humbly chose the Virgin's womb.

You overcame the sting of death
and opened the kingdom of heav'n to all believers.

You are seated at God's right hand in glory.
We believe that you will come to be our judge.

Come, then, Lord, and help your people,
bought with the price of your own blood,
and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting.

New Testament Reading Romans 13. 8-end

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Gospel Canticle *Plainsong*

- 1 Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel,
who has come to his people and set them free.
- 2 He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour,
born of the house of his servant David.
- 3 Through his holy prophets God promised of old
to save us from our enemies, from the hands of all that hate us,
- 4 To show mercy to our ancestors,
and to remember his holy covenant.
- 5 This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham:
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
- 6 Free to worship him without fear,
holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.
- 7 And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
- 8 To give his people knowledge of salvation
by the forgiveness of all their sins.
- 9 In the tender compassion of our God
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
- 10 To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death,
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Luke 1.68–79

Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.

Prayers

The response to the prayers is:

Lord, in your mercy,
All **hear our prayer.**

Lord's Prayer *Harper*

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.

Notices

Blessing

Anthem *Os justi Bruckner*

*Os justi meditabitur sapientiam:
et lingua ejus loquetur judicium.
Lex Dei ejus in corde ipsius:
et non supplantabuntur gressus ejus.
Alleluia.
Inveni David servum meum,
oleo sancto meo unxi eum.
Alleluia.*

*The mouth of the righteous utters wisdom,
and his tongue speaks what is just.
The law of his God is in his heart:
and his feet do not falter.*

Alleluia.

*I have found David, my servant;
I have anointed him with my holy oil.*

Alleluia.

Psalm 37

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