

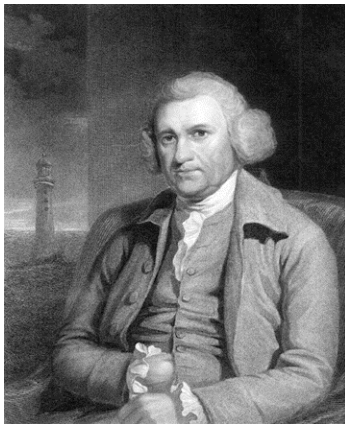


Where all find a welcome and are nurtured in their journey with Christ.

Choral Evensong

**In commemoration of the 300th anniversary
of the birth of John Smeaton**

Saturday 8 June 2024, 5.00 pm



**John Smeaton FRS
8 June 1724 – 28 October 1792**

Choral Evensong

The Sentence

Read by the Officiant.

The Preces

Sung by the Officiant and the Choir.

○ Lord, open thou our lips:

And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

○ God, make speed to save us:

○ 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.

Please sit.

Psalm 107 verses 23-30

Sung by the Choir.

23. They that go down to the sea in ships :
And occupy their business in great waters :
24. These men see the works of the Lord :
And his wonders in the deep.
25. For at his word the stormy wind ariseth :
Which lifteth up the waves thereof.
26. They are carried up to the heaven
and down again to the deep :
Their soul melteth away because of the trouble.
27. They reel to and fro and stagger like a drunken man :
And are at their wits' end.
28. So when they cry unto the Lord in their trouble :
He delivereth them out of their distress.
29. For he maketh the storm to cease :
So that the waves thereof are still.
30. Then are they glad because they are at rest :
And so he bringeth them
unto the haven where they would be.

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.

First Lesson

Read by The Lord Mayor of Leeds, Councillor Abigail Marshall Katung.

The First Lesson is written in the book of the Prophet Isaiah, the sixtieth chapter at the first verse.

Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
For darkness shall cover the earth,
and thick darkness the peoples;
but the Lord will arise upon you,
and his glory will appear over you.
Nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.
The sun shall no longer be
your light by day,
nor for brightness shall the moon
give light to you by night;
but the Lord will be your everlasting light,
and your God will be your glory.

Your sun shall no more go down,
or your moon withdraw itself;
for the Lord will be your everlasting light,
and your days of mourning shall be ended.
Your people shall all be righteous;
they shall possess the land for ever.
They are the shoot that I planted, the work of my hands,
so that I might be glorified.
The least of them shall become a clan,
and the smallest one a mighty nation;
I am the Lord;
in its time I will accomplish it quickly.

Isaiah 60.1-3, 19-22

Here ends the First Lesson.

Please stand for the Office Hymn.

**Thou, whose almighty word
Chaos and darkness heard,
And took their flight;
Hear us, we humbly pray,
And where the gospel-day
Sheds not its glorious ray,
Let there be light.**

**Thou, who didst come to bring
On thy redeeming wing
Healing and sight;
Health to the sick in mind,
Sight to the inly blind,
O now to all mankind
Let there be light.**

**Spirit of truth and love,
Life-giving, holy Dove,
Speed forth thy flight;
Move on the water's face,
Bearing the lamp of grace,
And in earth's darkest place
Let there be light.**

**Holy and blessed Three,
Glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, Love, Might;
Boundless as ocean's tide,
Rolling in fullest pride,
Through the earth far and wide
Let there be light.**

Words: John Marriott (1780-1825)

Music: melody from Madan's 'Collection' (1769)

adapted by Felice de Gardini (1716-1796)

Hymn Tune: MOSCOW

Please remain standing.

Magnificat

Sung by the Choir.

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.

Please sit.

Second Lesson

Read by The Reverend Canon Rosemarie Hayes.

The Second Lesson is written in the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter at the thirteenth verse.

Jesus said, 'You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

Matthew. 5.13-16

Here ends the Second Lesson.

Please stand.

Nunc Dimittis

Sung by the Choir.

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.

Please remain standing.

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.**

Lesser Litany, Lord's Prayer, Responses and Collects

Sung by the Officiant and the Choir.

The Lord be with you:

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray:

Please kneel or sit.

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.

○ Lord, shew thy mercy upon us:

And grant us thy salvation.

○ Lord, save the King:

And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy ministers with righteousness:

And make thy chosen people joyful.

○ Lord, save thy people:

And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, ○ Lord:

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

○ God, make clean our hearts within us:

And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Collect for the Day

LORD, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Collect for Peace

○ 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.

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.

Choir Anthem

The heav'ns declare the creator's glory.
Their sound forth tells his wondrous name.

The earth doth praise him, the oceans proclaim him;
Receive, O man, their God-like word!

Who holds the numberless stars in the heavens?
Who leadeth forth the flaming sun?

He comes resplendent, rejoicing afar off,
With joy a hero's course to run.

Words: Die Ehre Gottes

Music: Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

Please remain seated.

The Sermon

The Very Reverend Andrew Nunn, Dean Emeritus of Southwark.

Please stand for the Hymn.

**Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm doth bind the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.**

**O Saviour, whose almighty word
The winds and waves submissive heard,
Who walkedst on the foaming deep,
And calm, amid its rage, didst sleep:
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.**

**O sacred Spirit, who didst brood
Upon the chaos dark and rude,
Who bidd'st its angry tumult cease,
And gavest light and life and peace:
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.**

**O Trinity of love and pow'r,
Our brethren shield in danger's hour.
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them whereso'er they go:
And ever let there rise to thee
Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.**

Words: William Whiting (1825-1878)

Music: John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

Hymn Tune: MELITA

Please remain standing.

Act of Commemoration and Laying of the Wreaths

Bryan Penny, Regional Chair for the Institution of Civil Engineers in Yorkshire and Humber and Tony Roche, President, the Smeatonian Society, read

In Smeaton's later years he began to spend more of his time at home in Austhorpe ... observing the stars and writing letters and reports, this was when he wrote his famous 'A Narrative of the Building' and a description of the building of the Eddystone Light in Stone. On the 16th October 1792 Smeaton suffered a stroke whilst walking in his garden ... His daughter Mary Dixon, in a letter to The Smeatonian Society described his last days "He would sometimes complain of his own slowness (as he called it) of apprehension, and then would excuse it with a smile,

saying, "It could not be otherwise; the shadow must lengthen as the sun went down!"

There was no slowness, in fact, to lament...Some phenomena respecting the moon were asked him one evening, when it accidentally shone bright, full into his room. When he had spoke fully on them, his eyes remained fixed upon it with a most animated attention, to us impressive; then, turning them on us with benignity observed, "How often have I looked up to it with inquiry and wonder! To the period when I shall have the vast and privileged views of an hereafter, and all will be comprehension and pleasure!" Shortly after, the end he had through life desired was granted; the body gradually sunk, but the mind shone to the last; and, in the way good men aspire to, he closed a life, active as useful, amiable as revered."

From the writings of Mary Dixon, daughter of John Smeaton

The Lord Mayor of Leeds lays a wreath on the plaque commemorating John Smeaton.

Other wreaths are laid on behalf of the Smeatonian Society, the Institution of Civil Engineers, and the East Leeds History and Archaeology Society.

After the laying of the wreath, we conclude with the John Smeaton prayer used at the 250th anniversary.

Almighty Father, God of the spirits of all flesh, yourself unchanged, abiding; we bless your holy name for all who have completed their earthly course in your faith and fear and are now at rest.

We remember before you this day your servant, John, rendering thanks to you for the many gifts with which you endowed him and for his life of service and devotion; and we beseech you in your loving wisdom and almighty power, work in him, as in us, the good purpose of your holy will.

O Blessed Saviour, Jesus our Lord, you were pleased yourself to be numbered among the craftsmen, we pray you to guide and prosper all who labour with mind and hand, that their work may be done for your honour and rewarded with your approval in the power of your Holy Spirit who with you in the unity of the Father lives and reigns eternally, one God, Most Holy and Ever Blessed Trinity.

Amen.

Please kneel or sit.

The Prayers

Led by Lynne Pickersgill, Licensed Lay Minister.

Please stand for the Hymn.

**All my hope on God is founded;
He doth still my trust renew.
Me through change and chance he guideth,
Only good and only true.
God unknown,
He alone
Calls my heart to be his own.**

**God's great goodness aye endureth,
Deep his wisdom, passing thought:
Splendour, light and life attend him,
Beauty springeth out of naught.
Evermore
From his store
New-born worlds rise and adore.**

**Daily doth th'Almighty giver
Bounteous gifts on us bestow;
His desire our soul delighteth,
Pleasure leads us where we go.
Love doth stand
At his hand;
Joy doth wait on his command.**

**Still from man to God eternal
Sacrifice of praise be done,
High above all praises praising
For the gift of Christ his Son.
Christ doth call
One and all:
Ye who follow shall not fall.**

*Words: Robert Bridges (1844-1930)
based on the German of Joachim Neander (1650-1680)
Music: Herbert Howells (1892-1983)
Hymn Tune: MICHAEL*

Please remain standing.

The Blessing

The Lord bless you and watch over you,
the Lord make his face shine upon you
and be gracious to you,
the Lord look kindly on you and give you peace;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.


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