

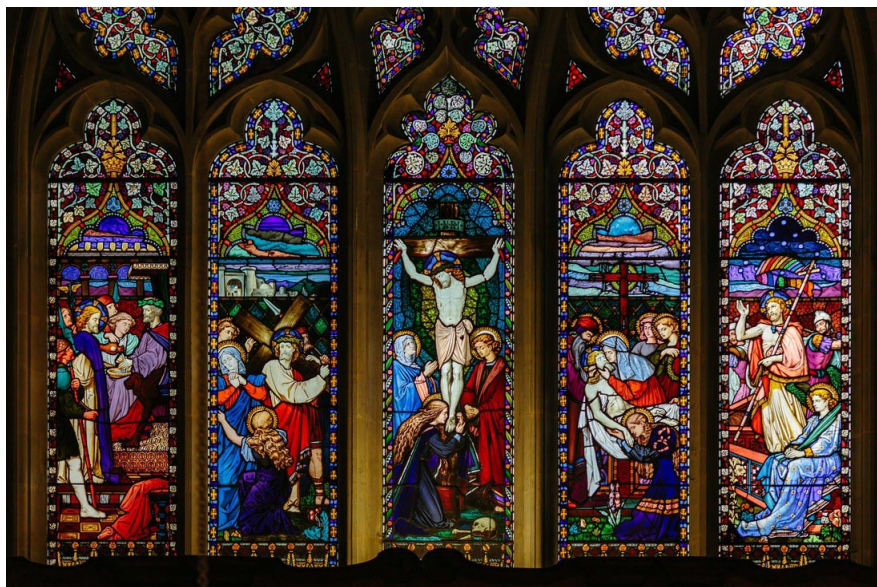


Sunday 28 February 2021¹
Online Evensong
The second Sunday in Lent

A shortened form of Evensong from University College, Oxford

*A warm welcome to our service this week.
Thank you for joining us from wherever you may be.*

The full text of the service is found in this pdf file that you have downloaded from our Online Evensong page. An audio-recording of the full service is on the page where you found the link to this text.



¹ Each service is recorded a week in advance of the date on which we post it online.

WORDS OF WELCOME



INTROIT 'Out of the depths'

Out of the depths, I cry to you,
O Lord, hear my voice.
If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
But there is forgiveness with you
so that you may be revered.
I wait for the Lord.
My soul waits;
and in his word do I hope.

Words: Psalm 130.1-4

Music: Richard Shephard (b.1949)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
For ever and ever. Amen.

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

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.

PSALM 22.23-31

O praise the Lord, ye that fear him *
magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob, and fear him, all ye seed of Israel;
For he hath not despised, nor abhorred, the low estate of the poor *
he hath not hid his face from him, but when he called unto him he heard him.
My praise is of thee in the great congregation *
my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.
The poor shall eat, and be satisfied *
they that seek after the Lord shall praise him; your heart shall live for ever.
All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the
Lord *
and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him.
For the kingdom is the Lord's *
and he is the Governor among the people.
All such as be fat upon earth *
have eaten, and worshipped.

All they that go down into the dust shall kneel before him *
and no man hath quickened his own soul.
My seed shall serve him *
they shall be counted unto the Lord for a 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.

THE LESSON
From the New Testament
Mark 8.31-38



And Jesus began to teach the disciples, that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders, and of the chief priests, and scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.

And he spake that saying openly. And Peter took him, and began to rebuke him. But when he had turned about and looked on his disciples, he rebuked Peter, saying, Get thee behind me, Satan: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but the things that be of men.

And when he had called the people unto him with his disciples also, he said unto them, Whosoever will come after me, let them deny themselves, and take up their cross, and follow me. For whosoever will save their life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose their life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it. For what shall it profit them, if they shall gain the whole world, and lose their own soul? Or what shall a person give in exchange for their soul?

Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of them also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.

DEUS MISEREATUR
Psalm 67

God be merciful unto us, and bless us *
and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us;
That thy way may be known upon earth *
thy saving health among all nations.
Let the people praise thee, O God *
yea, let all the people praise thee.
O let the nations rejoice and be glad *
for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.
Let the people praise thee, O God *
let all the people praise thee.
Then shall the earth bring forth her increase *
and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.
God shall bless us *
and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

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.

Music: Anglican chant, by Giles Underwood

SERMON
The Chaplain

PRAYERS



THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty God,
whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain,
and entered not into glory before he was crucified:
mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross,
may find it none other than the way of life and peace;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

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.**

THE 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.**

INTERCESSIONS

Let us continue to pray for all whose lives are overturned by covid,
and the wider consequences of the pandemic ...

... Bless, O Lord, the work of this College, and grant that love of neighbour and all
sound learning may here for ever flourish. **Amen.**

HYMN

Take up thy cross, the Saviour said,
if thou wouldst my disciple be;
deny thyself, the world forsake,
and humbly follow after me.

Take up thy cross; let not its weight
fill thy weak spirit with alarm;
his strength shall bear thy spirit up,
and brace thy heart, and nerve thine arm.

Take up thy cross, nor heed the shame,
nor let thy foolish pride rebel;
the Lord for thee the Cross endured,
to save thy soul from death and hell.

Take up thy cross then in his strength,
and calmly every danger brave;
'twill guide thee to a better home,
and lead to victory o'er the grave.

Take up thy cross, and follow Christ,
nor think till death to lay it down;
for only he who bears the cross
may hope to wear the glorious crown.

To thee, great Lord, the One in Three,
all praise for evermore ascend;
O grant us in our home to see
the heavenly life that knows no end.

Words: Charles Everest (1814-77)
Music: 'Breslau', arranged by F. Mendelssohn (1809-47)

BLESSING

Christ gave you grace to grow in holiness,
to deny yourselves, take up your cross,
and follow him:
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

VOLUNTARY
Cornet Voluntary
Henry Heron (1738-1795)

