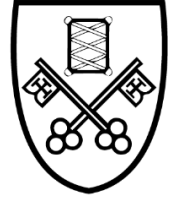




The Cathedral Church
of St Peter Bradford



**Bradford and District
Legal Service
Choral Mattins
The Third Sunday before Lent
5 February 2023
11.00**

Welcome to Bradford Cathedral

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- ❖ Welcome to Bradford Cathedral, particularly if you are visiting or with us for the first time – if you are, please do introduce yourself to a Steward or member of the Clergy. We hope you will stay and enjoy refreshments with us after the service, which will be served at the West End of the Cathedral.
- ❖ Large print copies are available from the stewards at the main door.
- ❖ You are invited to join in the words in **bold type** in this order of service and sit or stand as directed as you are able.
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This service

The Dean and Chapter of Bradford Cathedral welcome you to this service. Today, we remember before God all those who work for the administration of justice and the security of society, pray for their work and thank God for the blessings of impartiality and tolerance, justice and mercy.

This service takes the now rare form of Choral Mattins from the *Book of Common Prayer* (1662). This is based on the traditional morning service of the Church, which finds its origins in early Christian devotional practice. As we remember our ecclesiastical heritage, we remember also the legal inheritance for which our forebears strived and from whose work and perseverance we now benefit.

The Cathedral

One of Yorkshire's lesser known dales, ancient Bradford-dale was settled in Anglian times around the 'broad ford' which gave the city its name. The crossing place became a gathering place which gradually became a great city, welcoming and absorbing in-comers from all over the world.

Throughout thirteen turbulent centuries, there has been a place of prayer and worship on this hillside. Although it was attacked three times and ruined twice, this church has been rebuilt by people of faith for the future.

The medieval nave and Tudor tower are landmarks of faith, drawing people into the welcoming space of the Cathedral and its grounds. As a civic church we have vital connections with the City and its institutions and, as a cathedral church, with a diocese that reaches out across West Yorkshire & the Dales. Day by day through our prayer, worship and work in this beautiful building, and through involvement in the wider community, we serve the people of our City, District and Diocese in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour.

The Cathedral Choir

Bradford Cathedral Choir is made up of two independent top lines of boys and girls who sing regularly with volunteer adult singers. The Choir sings for the Choral Eucharist at 10.30am, and at Evensong on Sunday at 3.30pm, and at 5.30pm on Mondays and Tuesdays during term time. In addition, the Choir pursues a schedule that includes giving recitals and singing services elsewhere and going on tours to other parts of the UK and abroad.

Today's service is sung by the Girls and Adults of the Cathedral Choir, conducted by the Acting Director of Music, Graham Thorpe, and accompanied by Dr Ed Jones.

Organ voluntary

'Intrada', no. 1, from *Minature Suite*

John Ireland (1879-1962)

The Processions

We stand as the Processions enter the Cathedral through the West Doors.

The Cathedral Procession

The Cross

The Choir

Verger

The Interim Precentor

Chaplain to the High Sheriff of West Yorkshire

The Assistant Diocesan Registrar

The Diocesan Registrar

The Vicar General the Province of York

The Bishop of Bradford

The High Sheriff and Procession of Judges

Verger

The Solicitors

The Junior Counsel

The King's Counsel

The Justices of the Peace

The Chairman of the Bench

The District Judges

The Tribunal Judges

The Assistant Coroner

HM Coroner

The Circuit Judges

The Under Sheriff of West Yorkshire

The High Sheriff of West Yorkshire

The Judges of the High Court

The Senior Presiding Judge

The Civic Procession

Verger
The Lord Mayor of Bradford

We remain standing

A Fanfare is played by members of the West Yorkshire Police Band.

His Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant

Verger
The Dean of Bradford
His Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of West Yorkshire

The National Anthem

Once the Lord-Lieutenant has reached his seat, we sing:

**God save our gracious King!
Long live our noble King!
God save the King!
Send him victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us,
God save the King.**

**Thy choicest gifts in store
On him be pleased to pour,
Long may he reign.
May he defend our laws,
And ever give us cause,
To sing with heart and voice,
God save the King.**

We sit.

Welcome and Bidding Prayer

The Very Revd Andy Bowerman, Dean of Bradford.

Beloved, we are come together in the presence of almighty God and of the whole company of heaven to offer unto him through our Lord Jesus Christ our worship and praise and thanksgiving; to make confession of our sins; to pray, as well for others as for ourselves, that we may know more truly the greatness of God's love and shew forth in our lives the fruits of his grace; and to ask on behalf of all such things as their well-being doth require.

Wherefore let us keep silence, and remember God's presence with us now.

Silence is kept.

Confession

**Almighty and most merciful Father,
We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,
We have followed too much
the devices and desires of our own hearts,
We have offended against thy holy laws,
We have left undone those things
which we ought to have done,
And we have done those things
which we ought not to have done,
And there is no health in us:
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders;
Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults,
Restore thou them that are penitent,
According to thy promises
declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord:
And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
To the glory of thy holy Name.
Amen.**

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who desireth not the death of a sinner,
but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live;
and hath given power, and commandment, to his Ministers,
to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent,
the Absolution and Remission of their sins:

He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent,
and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel.
Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance,
and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him,
which we do at this present;
and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure, and holy;
so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

**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.**

A minister and the choir sing:

○ 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.

We 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.
Praise ye the Lord.
The Lord's Name be praised.

Music: Philip Radcliffe (1905-1986)

We remain standing to sing together:

Hymn

**Come with all joy to sing to God
our saving rock, the living Lord;
in glad thanksgiving seek his face
with songs of victory and grace.**

**In holiness and light arrayed
above all gods that we have made
he is the one almighty King,
and his the glory that we sing.**

**The earth is his from east to west,
from ocean - floor to mountain - crest;
he made the seas and formed the lands,
he shaped the islands by his hands.**

**Come near to worship! come with faith,
bow down to him who gives us breath:
God is our shepherd, he alone;
we are his people, all his own.**

**But if you hear his voice today
do not reject what he will say:
when Israel wandered from God's path
they suffered forty years of wrath.**

**That generation went astray,
they did not want to know his way;
they put their Saviour to the test,
and saw his power, but lost their rest.**

**So to the God of earth and heaven,
the Father, Spirit, Son, be given
praise now, as praise has ever been
and ever shall be praise - Amen!**

*Words: Christopher Idle (b.1938), from Psalm 95, 'The Venite'.
Music: 'Fulda', from Sacred Melodies, 1815, by William Gardiner (1770-1853)*

We sit as the choir sing:

Psalm 150

Laudate Dominum

O PRAISE God in his holiness :
praise him in the firmament of his power.
Praise him in his noble acts :
praise him according to his excellent greatness.
Praise him in the sound of the trumpet :
praise him upon the lute and harp.
Praise him in the cymbals and dances :
praise him upon the strings and pipe.
Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals :
praise him upon the loud cymbals.
Let every thing that hath breath :
praise the Lord.

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: Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

The First Lesson

The Honourable Mrs Justice Lambert, Senior Presiding Judge of the North Eastern Circuit

A reading from the prophecy of Isaiah.

Shout out, do not hold back!
Lift up your voice like a trumpet!
Announce to my people their rebellion,
to the house of Jacob their sins.
² Yet day after day they seek me
and delight to know my ways,
as if they were a nation that practised righteousness
and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;
they ask of me righteous judgements,
they delight to draw near to God.
³ 'Why do we fast, but you do not see?
Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?'

Look, you serve your own interest on your fast-day,
and oppress all your workers.

⁴ Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight
and to strike with a wicked fist.

Such fasting as you do today
will not make your voice heard on high.

⁵ Is such the fast that I choose,
a day to humble oneself?

Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush,
and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?

Will you call this a fast,
a day acceptable to the Lord?

⁶ Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?

⁷ Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them,
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

⁸ Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly;
your vindicator shall go before you,
the glory of the Lord shall be your rearguard.

⁹ Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer;
you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

Isaiah 58.1-9a

We stand as the choir sing:

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.

Music: Setting in F, John Ireland (1879-1962)

We sit.

Second Lesson

Gill Arnold JP DL, Chairman of the West Yorkshire Bench

A reading from the Gospel of Matthew.

¹³ '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.

¹⁴ 'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden.

¹⁵ 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. ¹⁶ 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.

¹⁷ 'Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfil. ¹⁸ For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹ Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5.13-20

We stand as the choir sing:

Jubilate Deo

○ 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.
○ 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.

Music: Setting in Bb, Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

We remain standing, face east, and 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 Catholick Church;
The Communion of Saints;
The Forgiveness of sins;
The Resurrection of the body,
And the Life everlasting.
Amen.**

The Lesser Litany

A minister and the choir sing:

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.
Let us pray.

We 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.

The Collect for the Day

O Lord, we beseech thee favourably to hear the prayers of thy people; that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered by thy goodness, for the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

The Second 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. Amen.

The Third 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. Amen.

Music: Philip Radcliffe (1905-1986)

Anthem

My eyes for beauty pine, My soul for Goddës grace;
No other care nor hope in mine, to heaven I turn my face.
One splendour thence is shed from all the stars above:
'Tis named when God's name is said, 'tis Love, 'tis heavenly Love.
And every gentle heart that burns with true desire,
Is lit from eyes that mirror part of that celestial fire.

Words: Robert Bridges (1844-1930)
Music: Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Sermon

His Honour Canon Peter Collier KC, Vicar General the Province of York

After the sermon, we keep a period of silence for reflection.

Hymn

We stand.

**God of freedom, God of justice,
God whose love is strong as death,
God who saw the dark of prison,
God who knew the price of faith:
touch our world of sad oppression
with your Spirit's healing breath.**

**Rid the earth of torture's terror,
God whose hands were nailed to wood;
hear the cries of pain and protest,
God who shed the tears and blood;
move in us the power of pity,
restless for the common good.**

**Make in us a captive conscience
quick to hear, to act, to plead;
make us truly sisters, brothers,
of whatever race or creed:
teach us to be fully human,
open to each other's need.**

*Words: Shirley Murray (b. 1931)
Music: 'Rhuddlan', Welsh Traditional Melody
CP 447*

We sit.

Prayers

Led by His Honour Judge Jonathan Gibson

In the power of the Spirit, and in union with Christ,
let us pray to the Father.

What does the Lord require of you?
**To love mercy, to do justice
and to walk humbly with our God.**

Merciful God, strengthen by your Holy Spirit all who work for justice throughout the world, that your kingdom of peace, love and righteousness may come on earth as it is in heaven. We remember before you those nations and people who live in constant fear of oppression and tyranny, and we pray that integrity and justice may prevail.

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

What does the Lord require of you?
**To support the widow and orphan,
the poor and the vulnerable
and the victims of injustice and greed.**

Merciful God, bless all who work for justice throughout West Yorkshire. We remember before you our colleagues of all professions who seek to help those who struggle to find a right direction in life. Guide us as we make decisions about the lives and deaths of others, that we may show forth your wisdom and compassion.

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

What does the Lord require of you?
**To care for the hungry, the naked,
prisoners, the homeless, the refugee
and those who seek protection.**

Merciful God, be with all who are victims of crime and injustice; give them a sense of hope and peace of mind as they face the future. Touch and heal all those whose lives are scarred by cruelty and abuse; those damaged through neglect and a lack of love.

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

What does the Lord require of you?
**To be open to the breadth of God's embrace,
to join our praise with those who know God's glory
and to bring peace and well-being to all.**

Merciful God, we pray for those who have been convicted of crime and who are fulfilling the requirements placed upon them. We pray that they may know a change of mind and receive the support they need to amend their ways.

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

What does the Lord require of you?

To be light on a hill, giving light to the whole world.

Merciful God, we give thanks for all who support us in whatever capacity: our families and friends, our colleagues. Nurture in us the gift of faith, that we may know more clearly your love throughout our lives, and show forth the light of your presence in all we do.

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

**Gracious and holy Father,
give us wisdom to perceive you,
intelligence to understand you,
diligence to seek you,
patience to wait for you,
eyes to behold you,
a heart to meditate on you,
and a life to proclaim you;
through the power of the Spirit of Jesus Christ our Lord,
Amen.**

A Prayer of St Benedict (480-547)

We stand.

Hymn

During this hymn, a collection will be taken for the ministry of the Cathedral. Please gift-aid your donation, if you can, using the envelopes provided.

**The kingdom of God is justice and joy,
for Jesus restores what sin would destroy;
God's power and glory in Jesus we know,
and here and hereafter that kingdom shall grow.**

**The kingdom of God is mercy and grace,
the captives are freed, the sinners find place,
the outcast are welcomed God's banquet to share,
and hope is awakened in place of despair.**

**The kingdom of God is challenge and choice,
believe the good news, repent and rejoice!
His love for us sinners brought Christ to his cross,
our crisis of judgement for gain or for loss.**

**God's kingdom is come, the gift and the goal,
in Jesus begun, in heaven made whole;
the heirs of the kingdom shall answer his call,
and all things cry 'Glory!' to God all in all.**

Words: Bryn Rees (1911-1983)
Music: 'Hanover', A Supplement to the New Version (1708)
CP 591

We remain standing.

Blessing

The Rt Revd Toby Howarth, Bishop of Bradford

May God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who is the source of all goodness and growth,
pour his blessing upon all things created,
and upon you his children,
that you may use your gifts to his glory
and secure justice for all peoples;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Organ voluntary

Postlude in D minor op. 105 no.6

Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Please remain standing as the Retiring Processions move to the West End of the Cathedral and a photograph is taken on the West steps.

You are invited to join us for refreshments after the service. If you have booked in for lunch at the Midland, please arrive there by 1pm.

The Bradford and District Legal Service next year will be held on Sunday, 4 February 2024.

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Retiring Procession

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