



BELFAST  
CATHEDRAL

**MORNING PRAYER:  
A SERVICE OF THE WORD  
Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2021  
11.00am  
The Seventh Sunday after Trinity**

*In response to relaxations of Covid restrictions,  
the congregation may now join in singing the hymns.  
Please ensure that your face covering is in place, and sing softly.*

*Welcome to the Cathedral Church of St Anne, Belfast. Please follow the instructions from the Churchwardens. We ask you to wear a face covering throughout your visit. Under government guidance for the purposes of keeping Contact Tracing Records it is essential that you complete the following information. Please leave this service sheet ON YOUR SEAT when you leave at the end of the service. These will be retained for 21 days, after which they will be destroyed. Thank you.*

**Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

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## Organ Prelude

Please stand for the **OPENING HYMN: ICH 196\***

The musical score consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp). The first and third staves are marked 'v. 1 & 5'. The music is written in treble clef and consists of eighth and quarter notes, with some rests and a final fermata on the fourth staff.

**O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness!  
Bow down before him, his glory proclaim;  
with gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness,  
kneel and adore him: the Lord is his Name!**

**Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness,  
high on his heart he will bear it for thee,  
and comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness,  
guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.**

**Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness  
of the poor wealth thou wouldst reckon as thine;  
for truth in its beauty, and love in its tenderness,  
these are the offerings to lay on his shrine.**

**These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,  
he will accept for the Name that is dear;  
mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,  
trust for our trembling and hope for our fear.**

*Words: John S.B. Monsell (1811-75)*

*Tune: WAS LEBET, WAS SCHWEBET melody from the Rheinhardt MS (Üttingen, 1754)*

## THE GREETING

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new. *2 Corinthians 5:17*

Beloved in Christ, we come together to offer to Almighty God our worship and praise and thanksgiving, to confess our sins and to receive God's forgiveness, to hear his holy word proclaimed, to bring before him our needs and the needs of the world, and to pray that in the power of his Spirit we may serve him and know the greatness of his love.

## **PENITENCE**

Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

*Please kneel or sit*

Heavenly Father, **we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault; by what we have done and by what we have failed to do. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Please stand*

## **PROCLAIMING AND RECEIVING THE WORD**

○ Lord, open our lips  
**and our mouth will proclaim your praise.**

○ God, make speed to save us.  
**○ Lord, make haste to help us.**

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.**

Praise the Lord.  
**The Lord's name be praised.**

*Please remain standing to say the PSALM: 89:20-37*

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

'My hand shall hold him fast ♦  
**and my arm shall strengthen him.**

'No enemy shall deceive him, ♦  
**nor any wicked person afflict him.**

'I will strike down his foes before his face ♦  
**and beat down those that hate him.**

'My truth also and my steadfast love shall be with him, ♦  
**and in my name shall his head be exalted.**

'I will set his dominion upon the sea ♦  
**and his right hand upon the rivers.**

'He shall call to me, "You are my Father, ♦  
**my God, and the rock of my salvation;"**

'And I will make him my firstborn, ♦  
**the most high above the kings of the earth.**

'The love I have pledged to him will I keep for ever, ♦  
**and my covenant will stand fast with him.**

'His seed also will I make to endure for ever ♦  
**and his throne as the days of heaven.**

'But if his children forsake my law ♦  
**and cease to walk in my judgements,**

'If they break my statutes ♦  
**and do not keep my commandments,**

'I will punish their offences with a rod ♦  
**and their sin with scourges.**

'But I will not take from him my steadfast love ♦  
**nor suffer my truth to fail.**

'My covenant will I not break ♦  
**nor alter what has gone out of my lips.**

'Once for all have I sworn by my holiness ♦  
**that I will not prove false to David.**

'His seed shall endure for ever ♦  
**and his throne as the sun before me;**

'It shall stand fast for ever as the moon, ♦  
**the enduring witness in the heavens.'**

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.**

Please sit for the **FIRST READING:** 2 Samuel 7:1-14a

Now when King David was settled in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, 'See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent.' Nathan said to the king, 'Go, do all that you have in mind; for the LORD is with you.'

But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the LORD: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, 'Why have you not built me a house of cedar?' Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the LORD of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom for ever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand to say the **CANTICLE:** Jubilate (Psalm 100)*

**O shout to the Lord in triumph all the earth;**

**serve the Lord with gladness and come before his face with songs of joy.**

**Know that the Lord he is God;**

**it is he who has made us and we are his, we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

**Come into his gates with thanksgiving and into his courts with praise;**

**give thanks to him and bless his holy name.**

**For the Lord is good, his loving mercy is for ever,  
his faithfulness throughout all generations.**

**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.**

*Please sit for the* **SECOND READING:** Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the market-places, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** *by the Reverend Canon Mark Niblock*

*Please remain seated for the* **ANTHEM:**

Ubi caritas et amor,

Deus ibi est.

Congregavit nos in unum Christi  
amor.

Exsulemus,

et in ipso jucundemur.

Timeamus, et amemus

Deum vivum.

Et ex corde

diligamus nos sincero.

*Where charity and love are,  
there God is.*

*The love of Christ has gathered us into  
one.*

*Let us exult,*

*and in Him be joyful.*

*Let us fear and let us love  
the living God.*

*And from a sincere heart*

*let us love each other (and Him).*

Ubi caritas et amor,  
Deus ibi est.  
Simul ergo cum  
in unum congregamur:  
Ne nos mente dividamur,  
caveamus.  
Cessent iurgia maligna,  
cessent lites.  
Et in medio nostri  
sit Christus Deus.

*Where charity and love are,  
there God is.  
Therefore, whensoever  
we are gathered as one:  
Lest we in mind be divided,  
let us beware.  
Let cease malicious quarrels,  
let strife give way.  
And in the midst of us  
be Christ our God.*

Ubi caritas et amor,  
Deus ibi est.  
Simul quoque cum beatis  
videamus,  
Glorianter vultum tuum,  
Christe Deus:  
Gaudium quod est immensum,  
atque probum,  
Saecula per infinita saeculorum.  
Amen.

*Where charity and love are,  
there God is.  
Together also with the blessed  
may we see,  
Gloriously, Thy countenance,  
O Christ our God:  
A joy which is immense,  
and also approved:  
Through infinite ages of ages.  
Amen.*

*Words: Hymn of the Western Church, long used as one of the antiphons for the washing of feet on Maundy Thursday, attributed to Paulinus of Aquileia in 796  
Music: Maurice Duruflé (1902-86)*

*Please remain standing to say the* **APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**The Lord be with you  
and also with you.**

Let us pray.

*Please kneel or sit*

Lord, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy.

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

Show us your mercy, O Lord,  
**and grant us your salvation.**

O Lord, save the Queen  
**and grant her government wisdom.**

Let your ministers be clothed with righteousness  
**and let your servants shout for joy.**

O Lord, save your people  
**and bless those whom you have chosen.**

Give peace in our time, O Lord,  
**and let your glory be over all the earth.**

O God, make clean our hearts within us  
**and renew us by your Holy Spirit.**

#### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

#### **COLLECTS AT MORNING PRAYER**

Go before us, Lord, in all our doings, with your most gracious favour, and further us with your continual help; that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally by your mercy attain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



Heavenly Father, in whom we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray that your Holy Spirit may so guide and govern us that in all the cares and occupations of our daily life, we may never forget your presence but may remember that we are always walking in your sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **INTERCESSIONS**

Let us pray for the peace of God in the Church and in the world:

Grant to the Church the grace to be still and not to lose holiness by being too busy. Give her ministers grace to lead their people through the way of quietness into the presence of their Lord. We ask your blessing upon Canon Gareth Harron, and the parish of Holywood, and Canon David Humphries, and the parish of Kilbride.

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

Speak through the tumult of the world: calm the strident noise of the powerful and the anxiety of the powerless. Have compassion on all who wander without direction, and guide them into the paths of peace.

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

Grant to us, in the pressure of our daily lives, the time to be still, to learn the wisdom that comes in silence. Help us to use our leisure well, so that we may have strength to help those whose lives are linked with ours.

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

We pray for the sick in body or mind, for the injured and the disabled, for those with emotional problems, especially those within the cathedral community. Come to them with your healing power, relieve their afflictions and make them whole.

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

We give thanks for those who have passed over the waters of death and come to the shore of eternal life. As you did with them, so grant us in our lives the peace which this world cannot give and the light which never fails.

Merciful Father, **accept these our prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## CATHEDRAL CORONAVIRUS PRAYER

O Heavenly Father, who by your Son Jesus Christ has taught us the glory of self-sacrifice and service: bless all who care for the sick, and those suffering from or recovering from Coronavirus today. Stand with those who grieve. Give your strength to all who work in hospitals, nursing homes and in the community. Guide those who are tracking new variants of the infection and administering the vaccines. Give wisdom to all who have responsibility in church, politics and society in all the decisions they must make. This we ask in the name of the one who spent himself in service of others with no thought for himself, even our Lord, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Please stand for the **CLOSING HYMN: ICH 493**



**Ye that know the Lord is gracious,  
ye for whom a cornerstone  
stands, of God elect and precious,  
laid that ye may build thereon,  
see that on that sure foundation  
ye a living temple raise,  
towers that may tell forth salvation,  
walls that may re-echo praise.**

**Living stones, by God appointed  
each to his allotted place,  
kings and priests, by God anointed,  
shall ye not declare his grace?  
Ye, a royal generation,  
tell the tidings of your birth,  
tidings of a new creation  
to an old and weary earth.**

**Tell the praise of him who called you  
out of darkness into light,  
broke the fetters that enthralled you,  
gave you freedom, peace and sight:  
tell the tale of sins forgiven,  
strength renewed and hope restored,  
till the earth, in tune with heaven,  
praise and magnify the Lord.**

*Words: Cyril A. Alington (1872-1955) based on 1 Peter 2:6-10  
Tune: HYFRYDOL Melody by Rowland Hugh Pritchard (1811-87)*

*Please remain standing*

### **THE BLESSING**

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### **THE DISMISSAL**

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Let us bless the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **Organ Voluntary**

*Please remain in your place until the Churchwardens direct you to move.  
We ask that members of the congregation exit the building straight away  
and do not congregate on the west steps.  
Thank you.*



## NOTICES



**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2021: The Eighth Sunday after Trinity**

11.00am A Service of the Word

*Preacher: The Reverend Janice Elsdon*

*We regret that during July & August Morning Worship will not be livestreamed.  
Please plan to attend in person or access the service through the Cathedral Audio  
Telephone Service by dialing 028 9532 0355*

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