

Green Afternoon

St Matthew's, Darley Abbey
Sunday 19 June, 11 am to 4 pm

Displays and activities

The Eco group from
Walter Evans School

Derby University
(come and find hedgehogs)

Little Wonders clothes

Derby Repair Cafe

Derby City Council

Refills on the Road

Community Energy

Family Quiz sheets
and a chance to explore
the churchyard

and others

Refreshments available

Talks

The wildlife on
your doorstep

Re-wilding

The Climate Crisis

Admission free

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Choral Evensong

with the choirs of St Matthew's
Darley Abbey and St Edmund's Allestree

Sunday 5 June 2022
4 pm

Welcome to Choral Evensong as we celebrate Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee. This is a tiny fragment of something else; it is a part of the worship which is offered to God by Christian people every hour of the day and night, in every part of the world.

When you come to Choral Evensong it may feel as if you are doing nothing - as the choir do most of the work. In our world of action and involvement, this can seem very strange. But in a way you are dropping in on a conversation already in progress - a conversation between God and his people which began long before you were born and which will continue long after you are dead. For a brief moment, you step into the continual stream of worship which is being offered today and which will be offered to the end of time. You are one with those who worship here on earth and in heaven.

Evensong is drawn almost entirely from the Bible. Its primary purpose is to proclaim the wonderful works of God in history and in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Its secondary purpose is to evoke from the worshipper a response of praise, penitence, prayer, and obedience.

Much of the English of the service is the language spoken and written by our ancestors more than four hundred years ago - and placed in the first Prayer Book on the authority of James I. It may sound old-fashioned but its meaning is not out of date.

The National Anthem

God save our gracious Queen,
Long live our noble Queen,
God save the Queen.
Send her victorious,
Happy and Glorious,
Long to reign over us,
God save the Queen!

Thy choicest gifts in store
On her be pleased to pour,
Long may she reign:
May she defend our laws,
And ever give us cause
To sing with heart and voice
God save the Queen!

Words: Unknown, 17th century
Music: Unknown - HON 230 vv 1 & 2

Stand as the choir and clergy leave, then sit and enjoy the
Organ voluntary - organist, Geoff Howell

Prelude in B flat, BWV 560

J.S. Bach

As you leave the church there is an opportunity to make a donation. If you are a UK Tax payer please use the gift aid envelope in your pew, and fill in the details.

A card machine is also available.

Refreshments are served after this service.

Till we have built Jerusalem
In England's green and pleasant land.

*Words: William Blake
Music: Jerusalem, C.H.H. Parry - CP 353*

Remain standing

The Blessing

Make your ways known upon earth, Lord God,
All your saving power among all peoples.
Raise your Church in holiness
All and help us to serve you with joy.
Guide the leaders of this and every nation,
All that justice may prevail throughout the world.
Let not the needy be forgotten,
All nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
Make us instruments of your peace
All and let your glory be over all the earth.
The Lord be with you:
All and also with you.

May God crown you with glory and righteousness,
that you may obtain
the crown of an everlasting kingdom
by the gift of him whose kingdom endures forever;
and the blessing of God,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be with you, and with our community,
this day, and for evermore.

All Amen.

Her Majesty The Queen
and His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh
arriving in Derby on the Royal Train in 1957

Photograph: Derby Telegraph

We welcome Pat Taylor, Deputy Lieutenant, and her husband Roy

Please stand as the choir and clergy enter the church, then sit while the choir sing

The Introit

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is:
blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

Words: Psalm 34.8

Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958

Welcome - *The Reverend Peter Barham*

Stand

Hymn

I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above,
Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love:
The love that asks no question, the love that stands the test,
That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;
The love that never falters, the love that pays the price,
The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

And there's another country, I've heard of long ago,
Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that
know;

We may not count her armies, we may not see her King;
Her fortress is a mighty heart, her pride is suffering;
And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,
And her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are
peace.

Words: Cecil Spring-Rice

Music: Thaxted, Gustav Holst - CP 355

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
So shall I never die,
But live with thee the perfect life
Of thine eternity.

Words: Edwin Hatch - CP 174

Music: Carlisle, Charles Lockhart - CP 248

Sit after the preacher's opening prayer

The Sermon

Sit or kneel

Prayers of Intercession, led by Alex and Matt Greig-Cooper

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

Stand

Hymn

And did those feet in ancient time
Walk upon England's mountains green?
And was the holy Lamb of God
On England's pleasant pastures seen?
And did the countenance divine
Shine forth upon our clouded hills?
And was Jerusalem builded here
Among those dark satanic mills?

Bring me my bow of burning gold!
Bring me my arrows of desire!
Bring me my spear! O clouds unfold!
Bring me my chariot of fire!
I will not cease from mental fight,
Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,

Please sit while the choir sing

The Anthem - Give God great thanks

written for the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Elizabeth II

Give God great thanks, Elizabeth our Queen.
Amid the nations hopes and fears, joys and tears,
Her steadfastness has shone, for seventy years.
In settled times, in strife, a service to us all.
Her dedicated life, her sure sense of call.
Give God great thanks, Elizabeth our Queen.

Words: David Mowbray

Music: Jacqueline Burley

Stand

Hymn

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what thou dost love,
And do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Until my heart is pure:
Until with thee I will one will,
To do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Till I am wholly thine;
Until this earthly part of me
Glows with thy fire divine.

Remain standing while the cantor and choir sing

Opening Responses

Composer: Humphrey Clucas

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.

Sit as the choir sings

Psalm 150, chant by Noel Rawsthorn

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.

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.

Sit

The first reading - Proverbs 8.1-16

read by Cllr Alison Martin

Does not wisdom call,
and does not understanding raise her voice?
On the heights, beside the way,
at the crossroads she takes her stand;
beside the gates in front of the town,
at the entrance of the portals she cries out:
‘To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.
O simple ones, learn prudence;
acquire intelligence, you who lack it.
Hear, for I will speak noble things,
and from my lips will come what is right;
for my mouth will utter truth;
wickedness is an abomination to my lips.
All the words of my mouth are righteous;
there is nothing twisted or crooked in them.
They are all straight to one who understands
and right to those who find knowledge.
Take my instruction instead of silver,
and knowledge rather than choice gold;
for wisdom is better than jewels,
and all that you may desire cannot compare with her.

Gracious God, we give you thanks
for the reign of your servant Elizabeth our Queen,
and for the example of loving and faithful service
which she has shown among us.

Help us to follow her example of dedication
and to commit our lives to you and to one another,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

God, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy
faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy
Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right
judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy
comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour,
who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same
Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

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.

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.

Remain standing while the cantor and choir sing
The Lesser Litany, Lord's Prayer, Responses and Collects

The Lord be with you:
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Sit or kneel

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.

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;
And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the Queen;
And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;
And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people.
And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord;
Because there is none other that fighteth for us,
but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us;
And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

I, wisdom, live with prudence,
and I attain knowledge and discretion.
The fear of the Lord is hatred of evil.
Pride and arrogance and the way of evil
and perverted speech I hate.
I have good advice and sound wisdom;
I have insight, I have strength.
By me kings reign, and rulers decree what is just;
by me rulers rule, and nobles, all who govern rightly.

Stand as the choir sings

The Magnificat *Setting in A flat, Basil Harwood*

My soul doth magnify the Lord :
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded : the lowliness of his hand-maiden.
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.**

Sit

New Testament Reading - Luke 22.24-30

read by Peter Taylor

A dispute also arose among Jesus' disciples as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But he said to them, 'The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

'You are those who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Stand as the choir sings

The Nunc Dimittis

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.

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.**