

ST GEORGE PEACE MEMORIAL CHURCH THE CHURCH AT THE HEART OF THE VILLAGE

Choral Evensong to remember Sir Christopher Wren

Officiant: The Vicar Speaker: Jane Cameron Finlay ARBV RAIA

> *Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost* Sunday 29 October 2023 5.00 pm

TODAY'S SERVICE

This service of Evensong, which follows the custom of churches with a great choral tradition, where much of the service is sung by the Choir alone. In those parts the congregation is invited to ordinarily make its offering of praise by responding to the beauty of the Choir's music.

After a welcome by the Officiant the service ordinarily continues with responses sung by a Choir. The roots of the Christian faith in the Old Testament are acknowledged by the singing of a Psalm and the reading of the First Lesson from the Old Testament. The Choir then sings Magnificat, the song of the Virgin Mary when she had received the promise of the birth of Jesus. The Second Lesson is from the New Testament, to which a choir respond by singing Nunc Dimittis, the Song of Simeon, when he saw the child Jesus and recognised in him the fulfilment of the promises to Israel. After an affirmation of faith in the Creed there are further sung prayers. This ends the formal service of Evensong. There follows hymns sung by choir, prayers, and an Address, which are more directly addressed to this particular occasion.

This is a specifically Christian service in the Anglican tradition, as are all services at St George's, but it is hoped that members of other Christian bodies, those of other faiths, and all those of good will who are dedicated to the service of their fellow citizens will be able to find in it something that speaks to them and supports their aspirations.

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Hymns: 159, 60, 292, 303.

Psalm 67

Setting: *Gibbons short service*

Anthem: *O Lord the maker of all thing* - William Mundy (c. 1529-91)

Postlude: Ballo del Granduca, SwWV 319 J.P. Sweelinck (1562-1621)

Organist: Roger Brown

ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 159 All hail the power of Jesus' name

Please stand as the clergy and servers move to their places. All remain standing for

THE WELCOME

The Reverend Canon John Sanderson, MA *Vicar*

The minister reads the sentences

God is our hope and strength: a very present help in trouble.

Psalm 46.1

I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.

Luke 15.18,19

The minister introduces the service

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 men such things as their well-being doth require.

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

All kneel and pray

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.

Fr John says

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 in 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.

All remain kneeling. The Officiant and choir stand. The responses are sung by all.

- V O Lord, open Thou our lips
- **R** and our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.
- V † O God, make speed to save us.
- **R O Lord, make haste to help us.**
- V Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
- R as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
- V Praise ye the Lord.
- **R** The Lord's Name be praised.

The people sit. The choir sings the psalm of the day

THE PSALM 67

Anglican chant

THE FIRST LESSON

Ecclesiastes 11, 12

Here beginneth the first verse of the eleventh chapter of the Ecclesiastes.

Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days. Give a portion to seven, and also to eight; for thou knowest not what evil shall be upon the earth.

If the clouds be full of rain, they empty themselves upon the earth: and if the tree fall toward the south, or toward the north, in the place where the tree falleth, there it shall be.

He that observeth the wind shall not sow; and he that regardeth the clouds shall not reap.

As thou knowest not what is the way of the spirit, nor how the bones do grow in the womb of her that is with child: even so thou knowest not the works of God who maketh all.

In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good.

Truly the light is sweet, and a pleasant thing it is for the eyes to behold the sun:

But if a man live many years, and rejoice in them all; yet let him remember the days of darkness; for they shall be many. All that cometh is vanity. Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes: but know thou, that for all these things God will bring thee into judgment.

Therefore remove sorrow from thy heart, and put away evil from thy flesh: for childhood and youth are vanity.

Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them;

While the sun, or the light, or the moon, or the stars, be not darkened, nor the clouds return after the rain:

In the day when the keepers of the house shall tremble, and the strong men shall bow themselves, and the grinders cease because they are few, and those that look out of the windows be darkened,

And the doors shall be shut in the streets, when the sound of the grinding is low, and he shall rise up at the voice of the bird, and all the daughters of musick shall be brought low;

Also when they shall be afraid of that which is high, and fears shall be in the way, and the almond tree shall flourish, and the grasshopper shall be a burden, and desire shall fail: because man goeth to his long home, and the mourners go about the streets:

Or ever the silver cord be loosed, or the golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be broken at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern. Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.

Vanity of vanities, saith the preacher; all is vanity.

And moreover, because the preacher was wise, he still taught the people knowledge; yea, he gave good heed, and sought out, and set in order many proverbs.

The preacher sought to find out acceptable words: and that which was written was upright, even words of truth.

The words of the wise are as goads, and as nails fastened by the masters of assemblies, which are given from one shepherd.

And further, by these, my son, be admonished: of making many books there is no end; and much study is a weariness of the flesh.

Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.

For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.

Hear endeth the First Lesson.

All stand to sing the Office Hymn.

OFFICE HYMN 60 Father of heaven whose love profound

At the conclusion of the hymn the people remain standing as the choir sing the Magnificat (Luke 1.46-55).

MAGNIFICAT

[†] 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.

Gibbons Short Service

The people sit.

THE SECOND LESSON

2 Timothy 2.1-7

Here beginneth the first verse of the second chapter of the second letter of the Apostle Paul to Timothy.

You then, my child, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus; and what you have heard from me through many witnesses entrust to faithful people who will be able to teach others as well. Share in suffering like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No one serving in the army gets entangled in everyday affairs; the soldier's aim is to please the enlisting officer. And in the case of an athlete, no one is crowned without competing according to

the rules. It is the farmer who does the work who ought to have the first share of the crops. Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in all things.

Hear endeth the Second Lesson.

The people stand as the choir sings the Nunc Dimittis (Luke 2.29-31)

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. Gibbons Short Service

The Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Responses are sung by all.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

V I believe in God. the Father Almighty, R 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.

- V The Lord be with you.
- **R** And with thy spirit.
- V Let us pray.

The people kneel.

- V Lord, have mercy upon us.
- **R** Christ, have mercy upon us.
- V Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- V OUR Father,
- R 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.

Then the Priest standing up shall sing.

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

- V O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
- **R** And grant us thy salvation.
- V O Lord, save the King.
- **R** And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
- V Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.
- **R** And make thy chosen people joyful.
- V O Lord, save thy people.
- **R** And bless thine inheritance.

- V Give peace in our time, O Lord.
- R Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.
- V O God, make clean our hearts within us.
- **R** And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Priest sings the Collects.

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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.

The people sit for the anthem.

THE ANTHEM

O Lord the maker of all thing

William Mundy (c. 1529-91)

The Assistant Curate

The Prayers

The Notices

All stand to sing the Offertory Hymn.

THE HYMN 292

Our Lord is risen from the dead!

THE ADDRESS

Jane Cameron Finlay ARBV RAIA

All stand to sing

HYMN 303

Thine be the glory

THE BLESSING

All remain standing as the clergy and choir depart

POSTLUDE

Ballo del Granduca, SwWV 319

J.P. Sweelink (1562-1621)

Please join us for light refreshments. which will be served in the entrance to the church at the conclusion of the service.

Please remain seated for the postlude.

We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation, the traditional owners and custodians of the land. We acknowledge and respect their Elders, past and present.

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About Jane Cameron Finlay ARBV RAIA

Architecture has always been part of my life, in one form or another. Growing up on a farm in rural Victoria, I was mesmerised by local public buildings and homesteads. My childhood sense of space combined with my love of drawing, Lego and sandpits naturally led me to a career in architecture. My curiosity drew me to Europe to explore new cultures, modern and classical architecture.

The experience redefined my design response to how we live and work.

I am still fascinated by how design and architecture influence the way we feel and interact with the spaces around us. I love Scandinavian design. The use of natural materials and light with a connection to nature creates serene, elegant spaces. My designs are

informed by traditional European architecture with its symmetry, strength and timelessness. I adore contemporary Japanese residential architecture for its creative use of space and sculptural forms.

The result is finely crafted spaces that appeal to the senses and transcend time.

International experience

With twenty-five years of post-graduate experience, my designs are inspired by my extensive international experience, with nine years based in London.

During my time overseas I worked with Mark Pinney Associates; on their portfolio of internationally renowned luxury fashion brands, Philippe Stark; the French product and interior designer who is said to be the most famous and prolific designer alive and Eva Jiřičná Architects, famous for her signature glass staircases.

As a Project Architect, I have completed projects in Barcelona, Dallas, Dubai, Jeddah, Kuala Lumpur, London, Melbourne, Moscow, Riyadh and Sydney, and have worked on a number of award-winning projects.

Helping the next generation of architects

I am an active member of the Australian Institute of Architects (AIA) including speaking engagements, tutoring on the Practice of Architecture Learning Series, mentoring emerging architects through the Constructive Mentoring Program; and taking part in the Victorian Architecture Awards jury, Member Services Committee, and Practice of Architecture Committee.

And, I am a former elected board member of the Architects Registration Board of Victoria (ARBV), a regulatory body administrating the Architects Act.

I have also been an examiner for the ARBV Architectural Practice Exam (APE), which is the primary prerequisite for registration as an Architect in Australia, and a post-graduate tutor preparing candidates for the examination.

I am a Certified Passive House Designer, and I am a member of the Australian Passive House Association (APHA) and International Passive House Association (IPHA).

I've also been a sessional tutor at the University of Melbourne and a guest critic at various design schools.