

# The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

## Sunday 8 October 2023



### 3.30pm Evensong

**Preces and Responses:** Kenneth Leighton (1929-88)

**Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis:** *Edington Service*, Grayston Ives (b. 1948)

*This leaflet provides the material specific to our Evensong service this afternoon. It should be used in conjunction with the pale blue Evensong booklet you will find available in the stalls.*

#### ORGAN PRELUDE

*Deuxième Fantaisie*

Jehan Alain (1911-40)

INTROIT *sung by the choir from the North Transept*

If I take the wings of the morning  
and remain in the uttermost parts of the sea  
even there also shall thy hand lead me  
and thy right hand shall uphold me.

*Words: Psalm 139: 8-9*

*Music: Michael McCree*

PRECES (*see page 4 of Evensong booklet*)

*The congregation is welcomed by the Canon in Residence.*

#### OFFICE HYMN

O blest Creator of the light

*(page 1 of Office Hymn booklet)*

PSALM 136

*(page 522 in the Book of Common Prayer)*

My child, if you accept my words  
and treasure up my commandments within you,  
making your ear attentive to wisdom  
and inclining your heart to understanding;  
if you indeed cry out for insight,  
and raise your voice for understanding;  
if you seek it like silver,  
and search for it as for hidden treasures—  
then you will understand the fear of the Lord  
and find the knowledge of God.  
For the Lord gives wisdom;  
from his mouth come knowledge and understanding;  
he stores up sound wisdom for the upright;  
he is a shield to those who walk blamelessly,  
guarding the paths of justice  
and preserving the way of his faithful ones.  
Then you will understand righteousness and justice  
and equity, every good path;  
for wisdom will come into your heart,  
and knowledge will be pleasant to your soul;  
prudence will watch over you;  
and understanding will guard you.

MAGNIFICAT (*see page 5 of Evensong booklet*)

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Now by this we may be sure that we know him, if we obey his commandments. Whoever says, 'I have come to know him', but does not obey his commandments, is a liar, and in such a person the truth does not exist; but whoever obeys his word, truly in this person the love of God has reached perfection. By this we may be sure that we are in him: whoever says, 'I abide in him', ought to walk just as he walked.

Beloved, I am writing you no new commandment, but an old commandment that you have had from the beginning; the old commandment is the word that you have heard. Yet I am writing you a new commandment that is true in him and in you, because the darkness is passing away and the true light is already shining. Whoever says, 'I am in the light', while hating a brother or sister, is still in the darkness. Whoever loves a brother or sister lives in the light, and in such a person there is no cause for stumbling. But whoever hates another believer is in the darkness, walks in the darkness, and does not know the way to go, because the darkness has brought on blindness.

I am writing to you, little children,  
because your sins are forgiven on account of his name.

I am writing to you, fathers,  
because you know him who is from the beginning.

I am writing to you, young people,  
because you have conquered the evil one.

I write to you, children,  
because you know the Father.

I write to you, fathers,  
because you know him who is from the beginning.

I write to you, young people,  
because you are strong  
and the word of God abides in you,  
and you have overcome the evil one.

Do not love the world or the things in the world. The love of the Father is not in those who love the world; for all that is in the world—the desire of the flesh, the desire of the eyes, the pride in riches—comes not from the Father but from the world. And the world and its desire are passing away, but those who do the will of God live for ever.

NUNC DIMITTIS (*see page 6 of Evensong booklet*)

THE APOSTLES' CREED (*see page 6 of Evensong booklet*)

LESSER LITANY, LORD'S PRAYER AND RESPONSES (*see page 7 of Evensong booklet*)

*including the* COLLECT FOR THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Lord, we beseech thee,  
grant thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the  
flesh, and the devil,  
and with pure hearts and minds to follow thee the only God;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen

ANTHEM *sung by the choir*

Seek him that maketh the seven stars  
and Orion and turneth the shadow of death into the morning.  
Alleluia, yea, the darkness shineth as the day,  
the night is light about me. Amen.

*Words: Amos 5: 8; Psalm 139: 11a*

*Music: Jonathan Dove (b. 1959)*

HOMILY *given by the Revd David McCoulough, Priest Vicar*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *led by the Revd Dr Richard Frith, Canon Precentor*

OFFERTORY HYMN *during which a collection is taken for the mission and ministry of the Cathedral*

Jerusalem the golden, with milk and honey blest (NEH 381)

THE BLESSING AND THE DISMISSAL

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

*Prelude and Fugue in D 'Hallelujah!'*

Franz Schmidt (1874-1939)

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