Choral Evensong with the choir of Holy Trinity, Southport. Wednesday 30th July – Saturday 2nd August 2025.



We are delighted to be joined by the choir of Holy Trinity, Southport, who will be singing for us this week. The choir is directed by Daniel Mansfield, and the organist is Frederick Harvey.

The responses are those by Bernard Rose (1916-96).

Wednesday 30th July

The service is led by the Reverend Su McClellan, Cathedral Associate Minster.

Psalm 136

- I. O give thanks unto the LORD, for he is gracious and his mercy endureth for ever.
- 2. O give thanks unto the God of all gods for his mercy endureth for ever.
- 3. O thank the Lord of all lords for his mercy endureth for ever.
- 4. Who only doeth great wonders for his mercy endureth for ever.
- 5. Who by his excellent wisdom made the heavens for his mercy endureth for ever.
- 6. Who laid out the earth above the waters for his mercy endureth for ever.
- 7. Who hath made great lights for his mercy endureth for ever;
- 8. The sun to rule the day for his mercy endureth for ever;
- 9. The moon and the stars to govern the night for his mercy endureth for ever.
- 10. Who smote Egypt with their first-born for his mercy endureth for ever;

- II. And brought out Israel from among them for his mercy endureth for ever;
- 12. With a mighty hand, and stretched out arm for his mercy endureth for ever.
- I3. Who divided the Red sea in two parts * for his mercy endureth for ever;
- 14. And made Israel to go through the midst of it for his mercy endureth for ever.
- 15. But as for Pharaoh and his host, he overthrew them in the Red sea for his mercy endureth for ever.
- 16. Who led his people through the wilderness for his mercy endureth for ever.
- I7. Who smote great kings *for his mercy endureth for ever;
- 18. Yea, and slew mighty kings for his mercy endureth for ever;
- 19. Sehon king of the Amorites for his mercy endureth for ever;
- 20. And Og the king of Basan * for his mercy endureth for ever;
- 21. And gave away their land for an heritage for his mercy endureth for ever;
- 22. Even for an heritage unto Israel his servant for his mercy endureth for ever.
- 23. Who remembered us when we were in trouble for his mercy endureth for ever;
- 24. And hath delivered us from our enemies •
- for his mercy endureth for ever.
- 25. Who giveth food to all flesh for his mercy endureth for ever.
- 26. O give thanks unto the God of heaven •
- for his mercy endureth for ever.
- 27. O give thanks unto the Lord of lords for his mercy endureth for ever.

The First Lesson

I Samuel 7

The Magnificat

Short Service by Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

The Second Lesson

Luke 21:20-28

The Nunc Dimittis

Short Service by Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

The Collect of the Day

O God, who hast prepared for them that love thee such good things as pass man's understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Anthem

O sing joyfully unto God our strength: make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob. Take the song, bring hither the tabret: the merry harp with the lute. Blow up the trumpet in the new-moon: even in the time appointed, and upon our solemn feast-day. For this was made a statute for Israel: and a law of the God of Jacob.

Words from Psalm 81 Music by Adrian Batten (1591-1637)

Thursday 31st July

The service is led by the Reverend Kate Massey, Canon for Arts and Reconciliation.

Psalm 138

- I. I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart even before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.
- 2. I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy Name, because of thy loving-kindness and truth for thou hast magnified thy Name and thy word above all things.
- 3. When I called upon thee, thou heardest me and enduedst my soul with much strength.
- 4. All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O Lord for they have heard the words of thy mouth.
- 5. Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the Lord that great is the glory of the Lord.
- 6. For though the Lord be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly as for the proud, he beholdeth them afar off.
- 7. Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shalt thou refresh me * thou shalt stretch forth thy hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.
- 8. The lord shall make good his loving-kindness toward me yea, thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever; despise not then the works of thine own hands.

The First Lesson

I Samuel 8

The Magnificat

Evening Service in C major by Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

The Second Lesson

Luke 21:29-end

The Nunc Dimittis

Evening Service in C major by Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

The Collect

O God, who hast prepared for them that love thee such good things as pass man's understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Anthem

Bless, O Lord, us thy servants who minister in thy temple; grant that what we sing with our lips, we may believe in our hearts, and what we believe in our hearts we may show forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Words from The Chorister's Prayer Music by Piers Maxim

Friday Ist August

The service is led by the Margaret East, Cathedral Lay Reader.

Psalm 145

- I. I will magnify thee, O God, my King and I will praise thy Name for ever and ever.
- 2. Every day will I give thanks unto thee and praise thy Name for ever and ever.
- 3. Great is the Lord, and marvellous worthy to be praised there is no end of his greatness.
- 4. One generation shall praise thy works unto another and declare thy power.
- 5. As for me, I will be talking of thy worship thy glory, thy praise, and wondrous works;
- 6. So that men shall speak of the might of thy marvellous acts and I will also tell of thy greatness.
- 7. The memorial of thine abundant kindness shall be shewed and men shall sing of thy righteousness.
- 8. The Lord is gracious and merciful long-suffering and of great goodness.
- 9. The Lord is loving unto every man and his mercy is over all his works.
- 10. All thy works praise thee, O Lord and thy saints give thanks unto thee.
- II. They shew the glory of thy kingdom and talk of thy power;
- 12. That thy power, thy glory, and mightiness of thy kingdom might be known unto men.
- 13. Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom and thy dominion endureth throughout all ages.
- 14. The Lord upholdeth all such as fall and lifteth up all those that are down.
- 15. The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord and thou givest them their meat in due season.

- 16. Thou openest thine hand •and fillest all things living with plenteousness.
- 17. The Lord is righteous in all his ways and holy in all his works.
- 18. The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him yea, all such as call upon him faithfully.
- 19. He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him he also will hear their cry, and will help them.
- 20. The Lord preserveth all them that love him but scattereth abroad all the ungodly.
- 21. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name for ever and ever.

The First Lesson

The Magnificat Fauxbourdons by Daniel Mansfield

The Second Lesson

The Nunc Dimittis
Fauxbourdons by Daniel Mansfield

The Collect

O God, who hast prepared for them that love thee such good things as pass man's understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Anthem

Hail! gladdening Light, of His pure glory poured Who is th'immortal Father, heavenly, blest, Holiest of Holies – Jesus Christ our Lord!

Now we are come to the Sun's hour of rest; The lights of evening round us shine; We hymn the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit divine!

Worthiest art thou at all times to be sung With undefiled tongue, Son of our God, giver of life, alone: Therefore in all the world thy glories, Lord, they own. Amen.

Words by John Keble (1792-1866) Music by Charles Wood (1866-1926)

Saturday, 2nd August

The service is led by the Reverend Nitano Muller, Canon for Worship and Welcome.

Psalm 150

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

The First Lesson

I Samuel 9:15 - 10:1

The Magnificat

Evening Service in E by Hebert Murrill (1909-52)

The Second Lesson

Luke 22:14 - 23

The Nunc Dimittis

Evening Service in E by Hebert Murrill (1909-52)

The Collect

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

The Anthem

Tu es petrus, et super hanc petram aedificabo ecclesiam meam; et portae inferi non prevalebunt adversus eam; et tibi dabo claves regni coelorum.

Thou art Peter,
and upon this rock I will build my
church;
and the gates of hell shall not
prevail against it.
And I will give unto thee the keys of
the kingdom of heaven

Words from Matthew 16 Music by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)

The Hymn

As now the sun's declining rays At eventide descend, So life's brief day is sinking down To its appointed end.

Lord, on the cross thine arms were stretched To draw thy people nigh:
O grant us then that cross to love,
And in those arms to die.

All glory to the Father be, All glory to the Son, All glory, Holy Ghost to thee, While endless ages run.

Words by Charles Coffin (1676-1749)
Translated by John Chandler (1806-1876)
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4 – 4:30pm: Evening Prayer

(or Wednesday and Thursday during school terms: Choral Evensong, 5:15 - 6pm)

Saturday

12 – 12:10pm: The Litany of Reconciliation

Sunday

10:30 – 11:45am: The Cathedral Eucharist 4 – 5pm: Choral Evensong