

St George's Cathedral Anglican Diocese of Perth

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost Sunday 25 July 2021

10 o'clock Choral Eucharist

The setting of the Kyrie, Gloria, Sanctus, Benedictus and Agnus Dei is Mass in E minor, Ruben Davies (b. 2002) — World Première.

Ruben Davies is formerly a Head Chorister of St George's Cathedral Choir, Perth and is now a baritone lay clerk here at the Cathedral. Now eighteen years of age, Ruben is a first-year composition student at UWA, under the tutelage of renowned composer, James Ledger. This morning will witness the world premiere of Ruben's Mass in E minor, which is dedicated to St George's Cathedral Choir and Consort.

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Entrance hymn



ome down, O Love divine, seek thou this soul of mine, and visit it with thine own ardour glowing; O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear, and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,
till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
and let thy glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.
Let holy charity
mine outward vesture be,
and lowliness become mine inner clothing:
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part,
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long, shall far outpass the power of human telling; For none can guess its grace, till they become the place wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

TEXT: « Discendi, amor santo », Bianco da Siena (d. 1434), translated by Richard Frederick Littledale (1833–90); MUSIC: 'Down Ampney', Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958).

Greeting & prayer of preparation

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

Ngaala kaaditj Noongar moort keyen kaadak nidja boodja.

We acknowledge the Noongar people as the original custodians of this land.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Kyrie eleison

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

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Confession & absolution

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart, we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith, pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria in excelsis Deo

et in terra pax hominibus bonæ voluntatis. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam. Domine Deus, Rex cœlestis, Deus Pater omnipotens.

Domine Fili unigenite,
Jesu Christe;
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,
Filius Patris,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis;
qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram;
qui sedes
ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus Dominus, tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris. Amen. Glory to God in the highest,
and in earth peace
to those of good-will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we worship you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks
for your great glory.
Lord God, heavenly King
God the Father almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son,
Jesus Christ;
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
who take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
who take away the sins of the world,
hear our prayer;
who sit
at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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Collect for the Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Let us pray.

We pray in silence.

RACIOUS GOD, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth: grant that, believing in the one whom you have sent, we may know him to be the true bread of heaven and the food of eternal life, Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be glory and honour for ever and ever.

A- men.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Old Testament

A reading from the Second Book of Samuel.

In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem.

It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, 'This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite'. So David sent messengers to fetch her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, 'I am pregnant'.

So David sent word to Joab, 'Send me Uriah the Hittite'. And Joab sent Uriah to David. When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. Then David said to Uriah, 'Go down to your house, and wash your feet'. Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. When they told David, 'Uriah did not go down to his house', David said to Uriah, 'You have just come from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?' Uriah said to David, 'The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing.' Then David said to Uriah, 'Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back'. So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On

the next day, David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house.

In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. In the letter he wrote, 'Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die'.

II Samuel 11·1–15

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm

The Lord looked down from heaven upon the children of men: to see if there were any that would understand, and seek after God.

But they are all gone out of the way, they are altogether become abominable: there is none that doeth good, no not one.

Their throat is an open sepulchre, with their tongues have they deceived: the poison of asps is under their lips.

Destruction and unhappiness is in their ways,

and the way of peace have they not known:

there is no fear of God before their eyes.

Have they no knowledge, that they are all such workers of mischief:

eating up my people as it were bread, and call not upon the Lord?

There were they brought in great fear, even where no fear was:

for God is in the generation of the righteous.

As for you, ye have made a mock at the counsel of the poor:

because he putteth his trust in the Lord.

Who shall give salvation unto Israel out of Sion?

When the Lord turneth the captivity of his people:

then shall Jacob rejoice, and Israel shall be glad.

Psalm 14·3–5, 7–11, Dominus de cœlo prospexit.

Epistle

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

Ephesians 3·14–21

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual hymn



A uthor of life divine
who hast a table spread,
furnished with mystic wine
and everlasting bread,
preserve the life thyself hast given,
preserve the life thyself hast given,
and feed and train us up for heaven.

Our needy souls sustain
with fresh supplies of love,
till all thy life we gain,
and all thy fullness prove,
and, strengthened by thy perfect grace,
and, strengthened by thy perfect grace,
behold without a veil thy face.

TEXT: Charles Wesley (1707–88); MUSIC: 'Rhosymedre', John Edwards (1805–85).

Please remain standing for the Gospel.

Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

FTER THIS Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' He said this

to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little'. One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down'. Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost'. So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world'.

When Jesus realised that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, got into a boat, and started across the lake to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The lake became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, 'It is I; do not be afraid'. Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land towards which they were going.

John 6·1–21

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Given by the Reverend Tony Murray-Feist, former Canon & Precentor.

Nicene Creed

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.

TEBELIEVE IN ONE GOD, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered

death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the people

Let us pray for God's grace.

Lord God, through your grace we are your people: through your Son you have redeemed us; in your Spirit you have made us as your own. We pray for the Dean, the Cathedral clergy and associate clergy, the mission of this Cathedral and Diocese, and for the call and nurture of new Christians. We give thanks for all who have contributed to this year's St George's Art, all around us, and for the deeper inspiration and spiritual conversation between art and faith in this holy house. We pray for Kay our Archbishop, and bishops Jeremy and Kate. Make our hearts respond to your love.

Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

We pray for a fresh hope in Christ to be made known in our City, State and Commonwealth, and through all nations. We pray for those who suffer hardship and deprivation around the world, for the people of New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia in lockdowns, those who have contracted the disease, those in hospital and those who care for them, and for access to vaccinations; for those who sleep rough on our city's streets through winter, and for the ministry of St Bart's House and Anglicare WA among homeless people.

We pray for our political leaders, that they may lead with vision, a sense of duty, compassion and integrity.

Bless all in authority with wisdom and a heart for the service of the poorest in society. Make our lives bear witness to your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

We pray for families and individuals, created in your image, for the lonely, the bereaved, the sick and the dying; especially we pray for [those who are named] and all who are on hearts this morning May they know your peace, healing and strength, and may our wills be eager to obey, and our hands ready to heal.

Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

We give thanks for [those who are named]. Make our voices one with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St James, St George, and with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

Greeting of peace

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertory hymn



L et all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand; ponder nothing earthly-minded, for with blessing in his hand Christ our God to earth descendeth, Our full homage to demand.

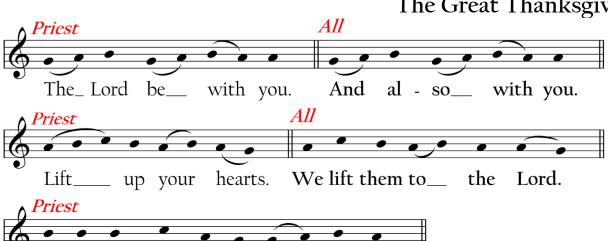
King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of Lords, in human vesture —
in the body and the blood –
he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heavenly food.

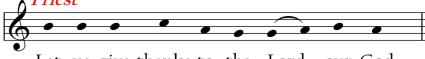
Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way, as the Light of light descendeth from the realms of endless day, that the powers of hell may vanish, as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph; cherubim with sleepless eye veil their faces to the Presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, Lord most high.

TEXT: « Σιγησάτω πᾶσα σάρξ βροτεία », the Cherubic Hymn of the Liturgy of St James, versified by Gerard Moultrie (1829–85), after John Mason Neale and Richard Frederick Littledale; MUSIC: 'Picardy', French carol melody in « Chansons Populaires » Vol.4, Paris 1860, harmonised by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958).







Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right togive our thanks and praise._

LL THANKS AND PRAISE, glory and honour, be yours at all times, in every place, holy and loving Father, true and living God. We praise you that through your eternal Word you brought the universe into being

and made us in your own image.

You have given us this earth to care for and delight in, and with its bounty you preserve our life.

We thank you that you bound yourself to the human race with the promises of a gracious covenant and called us to serve you in love and peace.

Above all, we give you thanks for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ:

> born as one of us, he lived our common life and offered his life to you in perfect obedience and trust.

By his death he delivered us from sin, brought us new life, and reconciled us to you and to one another.

Therefore with angels and archangels, with apostles, and prophets, with holy men and women of every age, we proclaim your great and glorious name:

Sanctus & Benedictus

Sanctus, sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth; pleni sunt cœli et terra gloria tua: hosanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini: hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy
Lord God of Hosts;
heaven and earth are full of your glory:
hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord: hosanna in the highest.

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OLY GOD, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that we who eat and drink them in obedience to our Saviour Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit, may be partakers of his body and blood, and be made one with him and with each other in peace and love.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup,

and again giving thanks

he gave it to his disciples, saying,

'Drink from this, all of you.

This is my blood of the new covenant

shed for you and for many

for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:

proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

deacon Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.



Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a - gain.

Christ Church Mass, Philip Matthias (b. 1954)

As we eat and drink this holy sacrament,

renew us by your Spirit

that we may be united in the body of your Son

and serve you as a royal priesthood

in the joy of your eternal kingdom.

Receive our praises, Father,

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

with whom and in whom,

by the power of the Holy Spirit,

we worship you in songs of never-ending praise:



Christ Church Mass, Philip Matthias (b. 1954)

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray.

UR FATHER IN HEAVEN, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body

For we all share in the one bread.

Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi:
miserere nobis. *2
Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi:
dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God,
who take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us. *2
Lamb of God,
who take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

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Invitation to Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Come, let us take this holy sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Those watching may desire to make their Spiritual Communion by saying these or other words.

Come, Lord Jesus, dwell in me and send your Holy Spirit that I may be filled with your presence.

Communion motet

Panis angelicus, fit panis hominum; dat panis cœlicus figuris terminum; O res mirabilis: manducat Dominum pauper, servus et humilis.

Bread of angels, made bread for humanity; the heavenly bread puts an end to symbols; O marvellous thing: the poor, lowly and humble one feeds upon the Lord.

TEXT: St Thomas Aquinas (1225–74); MUSIC: César Franck (1822–90), arr. John Rutter (b. 1945).

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

Living God, in this holy meal you fill us with new hope. May the power of your love, which we have known in word and sacrament, continue your saving work among us, give us courage for our pilgrimage, and bring us to the joys you promise.

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

Hymn of thanksgiving



Guide me, O thou great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand:

Bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain whence the healing stream shall flow; let the fiery cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through: strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside; death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side: songs and praises, I will ever give to thee.

TEXT: 'Arglwydd, arwain trwy'r anialwch', William Williams 'Pantycelyn' (1717–91), translated by Peter Williams (1722–96); MUSIC: 'Cwm Rhondda', John Hughes (1873–1932).

Blessing

HE 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 among you and remain with you always.

A- men.

Dismissal

deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

In the name of Christ. Amen.

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