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LLANDAFF CATHEDRAL

# SOLEMN EVENSONG

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4.00pm

# CROESO | WELCOME

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Everything you need to follow the service is in this booklet.  
Please join in the singing of the hymns, as well as the text printed in **Bold**.

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sound recording in the cathedral at any time during the service.  
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# ORDER OF SERVICE

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*Please stand as the Procession enters.*

## INTROIT

*Choir* Christus vincit, Christus regnat  
Christus imperat.

*Christ conquers, Christ reigns,  
Christ commands.*

Exaudi Christe.  
Summo pontifici et universalis  
Papae, vita.  
Salvator mundi. Tu illum adiuva.  
Sancta Maria. Tu illum adiuva.  
Sancte Petre. Tu illum adiuva.  
Sancte Paule. Tu illum adiuva.

*Hear, O Christ.  
Life and health and blessings to the  
Pope our Holy Father,  
Saviour of the world. Come to his aid.  
Saint Mary. Come to her aid.  
Saint Peter. Come to his aid.  
Saint Paul. Come to his aid.*

Rex regum. Christus vincit.  
Rex noster. Christus regnat.  
Gloria nostra. Christus imperat.  
Ipsi soli imperium,  
Gloria et potestas,  
Per immortalia saecula saeculorum.  
Amen.

*King of kings. Christ conquers.  
Our King. Christ reigns.  
Our glory. Christ commands.  
To him alone be honour,  
glory and power  
For ever and ever.  
Amen*

Words: Worcester Antiphonal, 12th Century

Music: Martin Baker (b.1967)

*Please remain standing. The cantor and choir sing:*

## THE PRECES

*Cantor* O Lord, open thou our lips;

*Choir* And our mouth shall show 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.

Music: Humphrey Clucas (b.1941)

Please remain standing to sing:

## HYMN



All Love's redeeming work is done;  
Fought the fight, the battle won:  
Lo, our Sun's eclipse is o'er!  
Lo, he sets in blood no more!

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal!  
Christ has burst the gates of hell;  
Death in vain forbids his rise;  
Christ has opened Paradise.

Lives again our glorious King;  
Where, O death, is now thy sting?  
Dying once, he all doth save;  
Where thy victory, O grave?

Soar we now where Christ has led,  
Following our exalted Head;  
Made like him, like him we rise;  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

Hail the Lord of earth and heaven!  
Praise to thee by both be given:  
Thee we greet triumphant now;  
Hail, the Resurrection thou!

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Music: SAVANNAH  
Melody as given in *The Foundary Collection* (1742)  
John Wesley (1703-91)

*Please sit as the choir sings the psalmody appointed for the evening:*

## PSALM 114

*Choir* When Israel came out of Egypt:  
and the house of Jacob from among a people of an alien tongue,  
Judah became his sanctuary:  
and Israel his dominion.  
The sea beheld and fled:  
and Jordan was driven back.  
The mountains skipped like rams:  
and the little hills like young sheep.  
What ailed thee O thou sea that thou fleddest:  
and thou Jordan that thou wast driven back?  
Ye mountains that ye skipped like rams:  
and ye little hills like young sheep?  
Tremble thou earth at the presence of the Lord:  
at the presence of the God of Jacob,  
Who turned the hard rock into pools of water:  
and the flintstone into a springing well.

*Please stand.*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be;  
world without end. Amen.

The first reading is taken from the thirty-seventh chapter of the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel, beginning at the first verse;

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all round them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, 'Mortal, can these bones live?' I answered, 'O Lord God, you know.' Then he said to me, 'Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.'

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, 'Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.' I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, 'Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, "Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely." Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.'

*Ezekiel 37. 1-14*

Here ends the First Reading.

*Please stand:*

*Choir* My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his handmaiden. 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 showed 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.

Words: Luke 1. 46

Music: Evening Service in A  
Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

*Please sit.*

## THE SECOND LESSON

*Reader* The second reading is taken from the twenty-fourth chapter of the Gospel of Saint Luke, beginning at the thirteenth verse;

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Luke 24. 13-35

Here ends the Second Lesson.

## NUNC DIMITTIS

*Please stand.*

*Choir* 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 peoples. 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.

Words: Luke 2. 29

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

*Please remain standing and face the High Altar:*

**All** 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 Spirit, 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 is seated at 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 Spirit; the Holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.



*The cantor and choir sing:*

*Cantor* The Lord be with you:

*Choir* And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

*Please sit or kneel.*

*Lord, have mercy upon us.*

*Christ, have mercy upon us.*

*Lord, have mercy upon us.*

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;*

*thy kingdom come; thy will be done;*

*on earth as it is in heaven.*

*Give us this day our daily bread.*

*And forgive us our trespasses,*

*as we forgive those who trespass against us.*

*And lead us not into temptation;*

*but deliver us from evil. Amen.*

*O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;*

*And grant us thy salvation.*

*O Lord, save the King;*

*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.*

*Almighty God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ has overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: strengthen and increase our faith, that we may know him and the power of his resurrection, and live to thy glory for ever; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with thee and the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.*

*Amen.*

Almighty 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 our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and that, being defended by thee from the fear of our enemies, we may pass our time in rest and quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*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.*

## ANTHEM

*Choir* Ye choirs of new Jerusalem, your sweetest notes employ,  
the paschal victory to hymn in strains of holy joy.

For Judah's Lion burst his chains, crushing the serpent's head;  
and cries aloud through death's domains  
to wake the imprisoned dead.

Devouring depths of hell their prey at his command restore;  
his ransomed hosts pursue their way where Jesus goes before.  
Triumphant in his glory now to him all power is given;  
to him in one communion bow all saints in earth and heaven.

While we his soldiers praise our King, his mercy we implore,  
within his palace bright to bring and keep us evermore.

All glory to the Father be, all glory to the Son,  
all glory, Holy Ghost to thee, while endless ages run.  
Alleluia. Amen.

Words: *Chorus novae Jerusalem*  
Fulbert of Chartres (c.960-1028),  
John Mason Neale (1818-1866),  
Robert Campbell (1814-1868)

Music: Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

*Please sit or kneel.*

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*The prayers conclude with The Grace:*

**All     The Grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with us all, evermore. Amen.**

Please stand to sing the hymn, during which a collection will be taken for the ministry and mission of the Cathedral.

Al - le - lu - ya, al - le - lu - ya, al - le - lu - ya!

...al - le - lu - ya!

All Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Ye sons and daughters, let us sing!  
The King of heaven, the glorious King,  
over death today rose triumphing.  
Alleluia!

That Easter morn, at break of day,  
The faithful women went their way  
To seek the tomb where Jesus lay.  
Alleluia!

That night the apostles met in fear;  
amidst them came their Lord most dear,  
and said, 'My peace be on all here.'  
Alleluia!

How blest are they who have not seen,  
And yet whose faith has constant been;  
For they eternal life shall win.  
Alleluia!

An angel clad in white they see,  
who sat, and spake unto the three,  
"Your Lord doth go to Galilee."  
Alleluia!

On this most holy day of days  
To God your hearts and voices raise,  
In laud and jubilee and praise.  
Alleluia!

Words: *O filii et filiae*  
Jean Tisserand (d.1494)  
translated John Mason Neale (1818-66)

Music: O FILII ET FILIAE  
Meoldy in *Airs sur les hymnes sacrez*, Paris (1623)  
Solemn version E. W. Goldsmith (1860-1934)

*Please remain standing.*

## THE BLESSING

**Priest** God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead,  
strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, ✠ the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**All** **Amen.**

*The cantor and choir sing:*

The Lord be with you:  
And with your spirit.

Let us bless the Lord:  
Thanks be to God.

Music: Edward Naylor (1867-1934)

*Please remain standing as the Procession leaves the Cathedral.*

## THE CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Choral-Improvisation sur le "Victimae paschali laudes"  
Charles Tournemire (1870-1939) *transcribed* Maurice Duruflé (1902-86)

*'Christians, to the Paschal Victim  
offer sacrifice and praise.'*

*The Organ Voluntary at the end of each service is part of the offering of our worship.  
Please respect the stillness of those who wish to remain seated until it has ended.*

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