

Worship at Home: A service with the Archbishop of York on New Year's Eve

ANTHEM

A New Year Carol Sung by St Martin's Voices

Here we bring new water from the well so clear, For to worship God with this happy New Year.

Sing levy dew, sing levy dew, the water and the wine; The seven bright gold wires and the bugles that do shine.

Sing reign of Fair Maid, with gold upon her toe,

Open you the West Door, and turn the Old Year go.

Sing levy dew, sing levy dew, the water and the wine; The seven bright gold wires and the bugles that do shine.

Sing reign of Fair Maid, with gold upon her chin,

Open you the East Door, and let the New Year in.

Sing levy dew, sing levy dew, the water and the wine; The seven bright gold wires and the bugles that do shine.

Words: Anon Music: Benjamin Britten

The Rt Rev Stephen Cottrell, Archbishop of York says

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

All and also with you.

The Archbishop briefly introduces the service.

Introducing the Prayers of Penitence, he says:

As we come to the Lord at the start of a New Year, let us seek his grace to number our days, that we may apply our hearts to wisdom as we confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Silence is kept.

Lord Jesus, you are mighty God and Prince of Peace: Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you are Son of God and Son of Mary: Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you are Word made flesh and splendour of the Father: Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

May the God of all healing and forgiveness draw you to himself, that you may behold the glory of his Son, the Word made flesh, and be cleansed from all your sins, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

GLORIA

Sung by St Martin's Voices

Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer.

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.

Music from 'Mass of St Cedd' by Peter Nardone

The Archbishop says

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, whose years never fail and whose mercies are new each returning day: let the radiance of your Spirit renew our lives, warming our hearts and giving light to our minds; that we may pass the coming year in joyful obedience and firm faith; through him who is the beginning and the end, your Son, Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

The Rev Canon Maggie McLean, Canon Missioner, York Minster

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians

Now this I affirm and insist on in the Lord: you must no longer live as the Gentiles live, in the futility of their minds. They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of their ignorance and hardness of heart. They have lost all sensitivity and have abandoned themselves to licentiousness, greedy to the practices of every kind of impurity. That is not the way you learned in Christ! For surely you have heard about him and were taught in him, as truth as in Jesus. You were taught to put away your former way of life, your old self, corrupt and deluded by its lusts, and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and to clothe yourselves with the new self, created according to the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 1: 67-69

The Rt Rev Dr Jonathan Frost, Dean of York Minster

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Then his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke this prophecy: 'Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,

for he has looked favourably on his people and redeemed them.

He has raised up a mighty saviour for us

in the house of his servant David,

as he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old,

that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us.

Thus he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors,

and has remembered his holy covenant,

the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham,

to grant us that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies,

might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness

before him all our days.

And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High;

for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways,

to give knowledge of salvation to his people

by the forgiveness of their sins.

By the tender mercy of our God,

the dawn from on high will break upon us,

to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

SERMON

Rt Rev Stephen Cottrell, Archbishop of York

ANTHEM

New Year

Sung by St Martin's Voices

Turn your eyes to the Light, cast away the works of darkness, let them go Turn your eyes to the Light.

Turn your face to the Sun. Feel the warmth, the hope of new beginnings with each new year.

The light was always there, if we could but see it, and warmth was in the air, if we'd known how to feel.

Turn your eyes to the Light. Turn your face to the Sun. New Light, New Hope, New Year.

New Light. New Hope. New Year!

Turn your ears to the sound. Somewhere near the voice is calling, "Hear the news." Turn your ears to the sound.

Turn your heart to the Love. Christ is come to bring the world new Life. To bring new Life.

The voice is always there, if the world will hear it. And love is always there, if you search in your heart.

Turn your ears to the sound. Turn your heart to the love. New Life, New Love, New Year. New Life, and Love, and Light and Hope. This Good New Year. New Year.

Words & Music: John Rutter

Silence is kept.

Amen.

Let us declare together our creed:

All We believe 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 from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. 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.

INTERCESSIONS

The Rt Rev Dr Jonathan Frost, Dean of York Minster

In the power of the Spirit, and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father.

We pray for God's faithfulness to be known in our world. In a world of change and hope, of fear and adventure, faithful God

All glorify your name.

In human rebellion and obedience, in our seeking and our finding, faithful God

All glorify your name.

In the common life of our society, in prosperity and need, faithful God

All glorify your name.

As your Church proclaims your goodness in words and action, faithful God

All glorify your name.

Among our friends and in our homes, faithful God

All glorify your name.

In our times of joy, in our days of sorrow, faithful God

All glorify your name.

In our strengths and triumphs, in our weakness and at our death, faithful God

All glorify your name.

In your saints in glory and on the day of Christ's coming, faithful God

All glorify your name.

As the table is prepared

HYMN

O Christ the same

Sung by St Martin's Voices

O Christ the same through all our story's pages,
Our loves and hopes, our failures and our fears;
Eternal Lord, the King of all the ages,
Unchanging still, amid the passing years:
O living Word, the source of all creation,
Who spread the skies, and set the stars ablaze,
O Christ the same, who wrought man's whole salvation,
We bring our thanks for all our yesterdays.

O Christ the same, secure within whose keeping Our lives and loves, our days and years remain, Our work and rest, our waking and our sleeping, Our calm and storm, our pleasure and our pain: O Lord of love, for all our joys and sorrows, For all our hopes, when earth shall fade and flee, O Christ the same, for all our brief tomorrows, We bring our thanks for all that is to be.

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Blessed are the peacemakers:
they shall be called children of God.
We meet in the name of Christ and share his peace.
The peace of the Lord be always with you

All
and also with you.

The president says

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word, through whom you have created all things; who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh; as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin, he lived on earth and went about among us; he opened wide his arms for us on the cross; he put an end to death by dying for us; and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life; so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

And now we give you thanks

because you have redeemed our time and have given us this year of grace to proclaim your favour and celebrate your steadfast love.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Sung by St Martin's Voices

Holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Music from 'Mass of St Cedd' by Peter Nardone

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith.

All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of Mary the mother of Jeus, Peter, Paulinus and William of York and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

The president says

Rejoicing in God's creation and being thankful for all the promises that God gives us in Jesus Christ, let us pray in the words he taught us:

All 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.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.
Amen.

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

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

All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

All Jesus Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus bearer of our sins, have mercy on us
Jesus redeemer of the world, grant us peace.

for God's holy people.

All Jesus Christ is holy,

Jesus Christ is Lord,

God's holy gifts

to the glory of God the Father.

The president and people receive communion.

Silence is kept.

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son shared at Nazareth the life of an earthly home: help your Church to live as one family, united in love and obedience, and bring us all at last to our home in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Αll Father of all.

we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

So may God richly bless you through this coming year. Let us pray that we may know peace and find healing and hope. May God the Father keep you in all your days. May God the Son shield you in all your ways. May God the Spirit bring you healing and peace. May God the Holy Trinity drive all darkness from you and pour upon you blessing and light.

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord in the name of Christ. Amen.

All

HYMN

Lord, for the years

Recorded remotely by the Choral Scholars of St Martin-in-the-Fields in their homes, and edited together

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided, urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way, sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided, Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us, speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze. teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us, Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.

Lord, for our land, in this our generation, spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care; for young and old, for commonwealth and nation, Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.

Lord, for our world; when we disown and doubt him, loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain; hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him, Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.

Lord, for ourselves; in living power remake us, self on the cross and Christ upon the throne; past put behind us, for the future take us, Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

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