

BACH VESPERS

St Anne's Lutheran Church
at the Church of St Mary-at-Hill, Lovat Lane, London EC3R 8EE
Transfiguration Sunday, 26 February 2017 at 18.30

Prelude Christe, aller Welt Trost BWV 670, from Clavierübung III

J. S. Bach
(1685-1750)

Motet Evening Hymn

Thomas Tallis
(1505-1585; organist of St. Mary-at-Hill, 1538-39)

Chorale Prelude Improvised on the hymn tune, St. Anne

Simon Lloyd
after William Croft (1678-1727)

Stand as able to sing the Hymn:



1 Our God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home.

3 A thousand ages in your sight
are like an evening gone,
short as the watch that ends the night
before the rising sun.

2 Before the hills in order stood
or earth received its frame,
from everlasting you are God,
to endless years the same.

4 Our God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
still be our guard while troubles last,
and our eternal home!

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
And the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
(all say) **And also with you**

Psalm Psalm 2: 6–12 (said responsively)

As for me, I have set my King
on Zion, my holy hill.

I will tell of the decree:

**The Lord said to me, "You are my Son;
today I have begotten you.**

Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,
and the ends of the earth your possession.

You shall break them with a rod of iron

and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."

Now therefore, O kings, be wise;
be warned, O rulers of the earth.

**Serve the Lord with fear,
and rejoice with trembling.**

Kiss the Son,
lest he be angry, and you perish in the way,
for his wrath is quickly kindled.

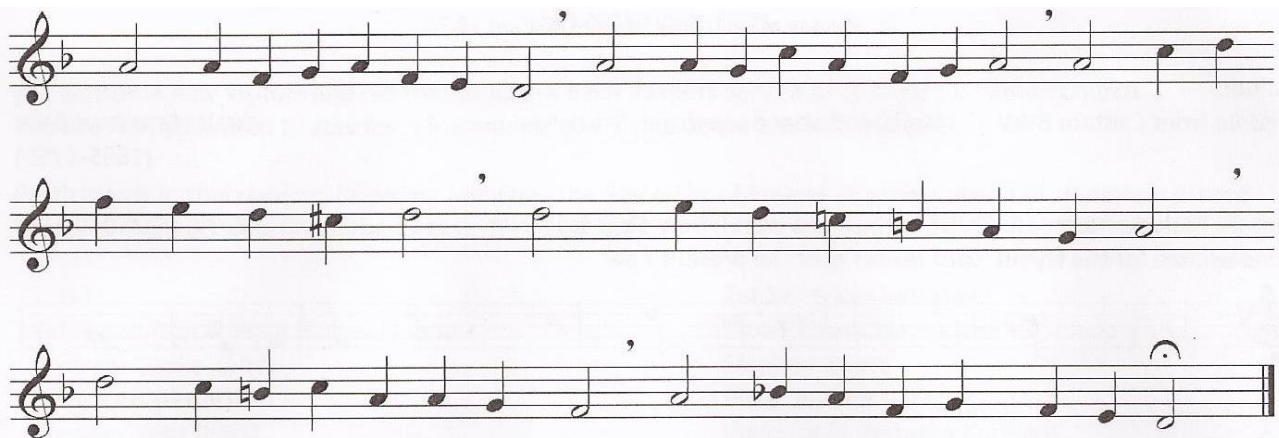
Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

Collect of the Day - all say **Amen**

Chorale Prelude Vater Unser im Himmelreich BWV 683, from Clavierübung III

J.S. Bach

All stand as able to sing **The Lord's Prayer**



1. Our Father, Lord of heaven and earth,
let praise and honour clothe your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done;
throughout the world complete your reign.
Teach us, O Lord, to trust in you
for bread and breath each day anew.

2. Forgive us, Lord, our sins and debts
as we to debtors show your grace.
Remove us from all tempting paths
and guard us from the devil's ways;
for glory, strength, and heaven's throne
belong to you, and you alone. Amen.

sit for the **First Reading**

2 Peter 1: 16–21

The Creed: *Wir gläuben all an einen Gott*, Kleine Geistliche Konzerte SWV 303

Heinrich Schütz
(1587-1654)

1st verse, sung by the choir

Stand as able to sing verses 2 & 3 (overleaf)

2. We _____ all be - lieve in Je - sus - Christ, his own Son, our Lord, pos - ses - sing an
 3. We _____ all con - fess the Ho - ly - Ghost Who in high - est hea - ven dwel - ling, With
 e - qual God head, throne and might, Source of ev' - ry grace and bles - sing: Born of Ma - ry, vir - gin
 God the Fa - ther and the Son, com - forts us be - yond all tel - ling. Who the church, His own cre -
 mo - ther, By the pow - er of the Spi - rit, Word made flesh, our el - der bro - ther; That - the
 a - tion, Keeps in u - ni - ty of spi - rit. Here for - give - ness and sal - va - tion Dai - ly
 lost might life in - he - rit, Was put _____ to _____ death up - on the cross _____
 come through Je - sus' me - rit. All flesh _____ shall rise, and we shall be _____
 _____ and raised by God vic - to - ri - ous. A - - - - - men.
 _____ in bliss with God e - ter - nal - ly.

Sit for the **Gospel**

Matthew 17: 1-9

The Sermon Introduction

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon Hymn (sung by the choir) BWV 332

J.S. Bach

*Herr Jesu Christ! dich zu uns wend,
 Dein' Heil'gen Geist du zu uns send:
 Mit Hilf' und Gnad', er uns regier
 Und uns den Weg zur Wahrheit führ.*

Lord Jesus Christ! Turn towards us,
 send your Holy Spirit to us:
 with her help and grace may he rule us
 and lead us on the way to truth.

The Sermon

Cantata: Jesus nahm zu sich die Zwölfe BWV 22

J.S. Bach

(See insert for translation)

Stand as able to sing responsively:

Lord, have mercy upon us

Lord, have mercy upon us

Christ, have mercy upon us

Lord, have mercy upon us

The Prayer

Remain standing for the Responses (sung by the choir)

The Collect for Peace - all say **Amen**

Sit for the Offering: Sinfonia to BWV 156

J. S. Bach

Stand as able for the Blessing - all say **Amen**

Announcements

Postlude Prelude 'St. Anne', BWV 552

J. S. Bach

Remain in silence until the candles are extinguished

Announcements

We welcome new visitors and old friends to this Bach Vespers service of St. Anne's Lutheran Church at St. Mary-at-Hill. You are warmly invited to stay for refreshments and a chat at the end of the service.

Participants in this service:

Visiting Preacher: Jaakko Rusama, PhD (Cantab), MTh

Presiding Minister: The Rev'd Eliza Zikmane | Lector: Trevor Broomhill

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The involvement of professional period instrumentalists and singers in this service is a significant expense that cannot be met by the church alone. If Bach Vespers were a concert, then tickets would be at least £10 per person. We want to provide the best music not only for our congregation but for our visitors, throughout the year. Please give generously in the collection to help us to support these and all our musicians so that we may continue to provide high quality music in future.

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The music for this service of Bach Vespers is provided by the City Bach Collective citybachcollective.org.uk, leader-director Hazel Brooks

CHOIR

Emily Atkinson
Tristram Cooke
Tom Castle
Cheyney Kent

INSTRUMENTALISTS

Violins: Hazel Brooks (leader-director), Philip Yeeles
Viola: Joanne Miller
Cello/Viol: Jenny Bullock
Violone: Peter McCarthy
Oboe: Geoff Coates
Organ: Simon Lloyd

The next Bach Vespers, featuring BWV 104, is on 30 April at 6.30pm

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