

BACH VESPERS

St Anne's Lutheran Church
at the Church of St Mary-at-hill, Lovat Lane, London EC3R 8EE
Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity, 23 October 2016 at 18.30

Prelude Chorale Prelude Wo soll ich fliehen hin

Johann Ludwig Krebs
(1713-1780)

Chorale prelude BWV 744

J. S. Bach

Stand as able to sing the Hymn: In God, my faithful God



1. In God, my faithful God,
I trust when dark my road;
Great woes may overtake me,
Yet He will not forsake me.
My troubles He can alter;
His hand lets nothing falter.

2. My sins fill me with care,
Yet I will not despair.
I build on Christ, who loves me;
From this rock nothing moves me.
To Him I will surrender,
To Him, my soul's defender.

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 116:12–19

(said responsively; all say **text in bold**)

What can I give back to God for the blessings he's poured out on me?

I'll lift high the cup of salvation—a toast to God! I'll pray in the name of God;

I'll complete what I promised God I'd do, and I'll do it together with his people.

When they arrive at the gates of death, God welcomes those who love him.

Oh, God, here I am, your servant, your faithful servant: set me free for your service!

I'm ready to offer the thanksgiving sacrifice and pray in the name of God.

I'll complete what I promised God I'd do, and I'll do it in company with his people,

In the place of worship, in God's house, in Jerusalem, God's city. Hallelujah!

Stand as able for the Collect of the Day - all say **Amen**

Sit for the **Chorale Prelude**

J.S. Bach

Vater Unser In Himmelreich, BWV 636 from *Orgelbüchlein*

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**

Philippians 1: 3-11

The Creed: chorale setting based on BWV 437

J. S. Bach

1st verse, sung by the choir:

*Wir gläuben all an einen Gott,
Schöpfer Himmels und der Erden,
der sich zum Vater geben hat,
dass wir seine Kinder werden.
Er will uns allzeit ernähren,
Leib und Seel auch wohl bewahren;
allem Unfall will er wehren,
kein Leid soll uns widerfahren.
Er sorget für uns, hüt' und wacht;
es steht alles in seiner Macht.*

We all believe in one true God,
Who created earth and heaven,
The Father, who to us in love
Hath the right of children given.
He both soul and body feedeth,
All we need He doth provide us;
He through snares and perils leadeth,
Watching that no harm betide us.
He careth for us day and night,
All things are governed by His might.

Stand as able to sing verses 2 & 3

2. We all believe 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
 [v. 3]
 and raised by God vic - to - ri - ous. A - - - - - men.
 in bliss with God e - ter - nal - ly.

Sit for the Gospel

Matthew 18: 23-35

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)

J.S. Bach

*Beweis dein Macht, Herr Jesu Christ,
 Der du Herr aller Herren bist;
 Beschirm dein arme Christenheit,
 Dass sie dich lob in Ewigkeit.*

Show your might, Lord Jesus Christ,
 you who are the Lord of lords;
 protect your poor Christian people,
 so that they may praise you for ever.

The Sermon

Cantata: 'Was soll ich aus dir machen, Ephraim?', BWV 89

J.S. Bach

Cantata BWV 89 has been performed once in Bach Vespers in October 1998. This will be its second performance in association with St. Anne's Lutheran Church. 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)

Peter Lea-Cox
 (1945-)

The Collect for Peace - all say Amen

sit for the **Offertory**: Sonata Settima a 4, from 'Sonate a 2. 3. 4. e 5. Stromenti da Arco & Altri' (1682)

Johann Rosenmüller
(1619-84)

Stand as able for the Blessing - all say Amen

Announcements

Postlude 'Wir glauben all' an einen Gott' BWV 680

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:

Presiding Minister: The Rev'd Eliza Zikmane | Preacher: Bishop William Kenney, auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of Birmingham | Lector: Trevor Broomhill

Music provided by City Bach Collective, citybachcollective.org.uk, directed from the violin by Hazel Brooks

CHOIR

Soprano: Emily Atkinson

Alto: Tristram Cooke

Tenor: Robert Jenkins

Bass: Cheyney Kent

INSTRUMENTALISTS

Violin 1: Hazel Brooks

Violin 2: Phil Yeeles

Viola: Joanne Miller

Cello and viola da gamba: Jenny Bullock

Violone: Jan Zahourek

Oboe 1: Geoff Coates

Oboe 2: Gerry McDonald

Horn: Anna Drysdale

Organ and chamber organ: Simon Lloyd

The next Bach Vespers will be on 27 November 2016 at 18.30

St. Anne's Lutheran Church gratefully acknowledges the support of Gibson Dunn for Bach Vespers

There is a special Music-at-Hill lunchtime concert to celebrate 40 years of the City Bach Cantata Series, started by Peter Lea-Cox (of which Bach Vespers is part) on **Friday 11 November at 1.05pm**. The City Bach Collective will perform J. S. Bach cantatas BWV 61 & 62, 'Nun komm der Heiden Heiland'. Admission is free.

Bach Vespers is supported by Music-at-Hill, formerly St. Anne's Music Society

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