

Choral Evensong

- order of the day -

July 3rd 2022 - Sunday 4th of Trinity

Laurenkerk Rotterdam

Organ Voluntary

Preces Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988)

Hymn Sarum Hymnal
O Blest Creator of the Day (*Lucis Creator optime*)

O _____ Blest Cre - a - tor of _____ the _____ light,

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*Who mak'st _____ the day _____ with ra - diance _____ bright, _____

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And o'er _____ the _____ for - ming _____ world didst _____ call

The light _____ from cha - os first _____ of _____ all. A _____ men _____

2. Whose wisdom joined in meet array
The morn and eve, and named them day :
Night comes with all its darkling fears,
Regard Thy people's prayers and tears.

3. Lest, sunk in sin, and whelmed with strife,
They lose the gift of endless life ;
While thinking but the thoughts of time,
They weave new chains of woe and crime.

4. But grant them grace that they may strain
The heavenly gate and prize to gain :
Each harmful lure aside to cast,
And purge away each error past.

**5. O Father, that we ask be done,
Through Jesus Christ, Thine only Son :
Who, with the Holy Ghost and Thee,
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.**

The Psalm

Psalm 74

¹ O God, why have you utterly disowned us?
Why does your anger burn
against the sheep of your pasture?
² Remember your congregation
that you purchased of old,
the tribe you redeemed for your own possession,
and Mount Zion where you dwelt.
³ Hasten your steps towards the endless ruins,
where the enemy has laid waste all your sanctuary.
⁴ Your adversaries roared
in the place of your worship;
they set up their banners as tokens of victory.
⁵ Like men brandishing axes
on high in a thicket of trees,
all her carved work they smashed down
with hatchet and hammer.
⁶ They set fire to your holy place;
they defiled the dwelling place of your name
and razed it to the ground.
⁷ They said in their heart,
'Let us make havoc of them altogether,'
and they burned down
all the sanctuaries of God in the land.
⁸ There are no signs to see, not one prophet left,
not one among us who knows how long.
⁹ How long, O God, will the adversary scoff?
Shall the enemy blaspheme your name for ever?
¹⁰ Why have you withheld your hand
and hidden your right hand in your bosom? [R]
¹¹ Yet God is my king from of old,
who did deeds of salvation in the midst of the earth.
¹² It was you that divided the sea by your might
and shattered the heads of the dragons on the waters;
¹³ You alone crushed the heads of Leviathan

and gave him to the beasts of the desert for food.
¹⁴ You cleft the rock for fountain and flood;
you dried up ever-flowing rivers.
¹⁵ Yours is the day, yours also the night;
you established the moon and the sun.
¹⁶ You set all the bounds of the earth;
you fashioned both summer and winter. [R]
¹⁷ Remember now, Lord, how the enemy scoffed,
how a foolish people despised your name.
¹⁸ Do not give to wild beasts
the soul of your turtle dove;
forget not the lives of your poor for ever.
¹⁹ Look upon your creation,
for the earth is full of darkness,
full of the haunts of violence.
²⁰ Let not the oppressed turn away ashamed,
but let the poor and needy praise your name.
²¹ Arise, O God, maintain your own cause;
remember how fools revile you all the day long.
²² Forget not the clamour of your adversaries,
the tumult of your enemies that ascends continually.

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.

The First Lesson Deuteronomy 24: 10-22 (ESV)

¹⁰“When you make your neighbor a loan of any sort,
you shall not go into his house to collect his pledge.
¹¹You shall stand outside, and the man to whom you
make the loan shall bring the pledge out to you. ¹²And
if he is a poor man, you shall not sleep in his pledge.
¹³You shall restore to him the pledge as the sun sets,
that he may sleep in his cloak and bless you. And it
shall be righteousness for you before the Lord your
God.
¹⁴“You shall not oppress a hired worker who is poor
and needy, whether he is one of your brothers or one
of the sojourners who are in your land within your

towns. ¹⁵You shall give him his wages on the same day, before the sun sets (for he is poor and counts on it), lest he cry against you to the Lord, and you be guilty of sin.

¹⁶Fathers shall not be put to death because of their children, nor shall children be put to death because of their fathers. Each one shall be put to death for his own sin.

¹⁷You shall not pervert the justice due to the sojourner or to the fatherless, or take a widow's garment in pledge, ¹⁸but you shall remember that you were a slave in Egypt and the Lord your God redeemed you from there; therefore I command you to do this.

¹⁹When you reap your harvest in your field and forget a sheaf in the field, you shall not go back to get it. It shall be for the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow, that the Lord your God may bless you in all the work of your hands. ²⁰When you beat your olive trees, you shall not go over them again. It shall be for the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow. ²¹When you gather the grapes of your vineyard, you shall not strip it afterward. It shall be for the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow. ²²You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt; therefore I command you to do this.

Magnificat

Bernard Rose (1916-1996)

The Second Lesson

Acts 28:1-16 (ESV)

¹After we were brought safely through, we then learned that the island was called Malta. ²The native people showed us unusual kindness, for they kindled a fire and welcomed us all, because it had begun to rain and was cold. ³When Paul had gathered a bundle of sticks and put them on the fire, a viper came out because of the heat and fastened on his hand. ⁴When the native people saw the creature hanging from his hand, they said to one another, "No doubt this man is a murderer. Though he has escaped from the sea,

Justice has not allowed him to live.” ⁵He, however, shook off the creature into the fire and suffered no harm. ⁶They were waiting for him to swell up or suddenly fall down dead. But when they had waited a long time and saw no misfortune come to him, they changed their minds and said that he was a god. ⁷Now in the neighborhood of that place were lands belonging to the chief man of the island, named Publius, who received us and entertained us hospitably for three days. ⁸It happened that the father of Publius lay sick with fever and dysentery. And Paul visited him and prayed, and putting his hands on him, healed him. ⁹And when this had taken place, the rest of the people on the island who had diseases also came and were cured. ¹⁰They also honored us greatly, and when we were about to sail, they put on board whatever we needed.

¹¹After three months we set sail in a ship that had wintered in the island, a ship of Alexandria, with the twin gods as a figurehead. ¹²Putting in at Syracuse, we stayed there for three days. ¹³And from there we made a circuit and arrived at Rhegium. And after one day a south wind sprang up, and on the second day we came to Puteoli. ¹⁴There we found brothers and were invited to stay with them for seven days. And so we came to Rome. ¹⁵And the brothers there, when they heard about us, came as far as the Forum of Appius and Three Taverns to meet us. On seeing them, Paul thanked God and took courage. ¹⁶And when we came into Rome, Paul was allowed to stay by himself, with the soldier who guarded him.

Nunc Dimittis Bernard Rose

Responses Kenneth Leighton

The Lord’s Prayer

The Collect of the day

O God, the protector of all who trust in you,
without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy:
increase and multiply upon us your mercy;
that with you as our ruler and guide
we may so pass through things temporal
that we lose not our hold on things eternal;
grant this, heavenly Father,
for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Anthem

Let mine eyes run down with tears
Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

Let mine eyes run down with tears night and day,
and let them not cease,
for the virgin daughter of my people
is broken with a great breach,
with a very grievous blow.
If I go forth into the field,
then behold the slain with the sword!
And if I enter into the city,
then behold them that are sick with famine!
Yea, both the prophet and the priest go about into a
land which they know not.

Hast thou utterly rejected Judah?
hath thy soul loath'd Zion?
why hast thou smitten us,
and there is no healing for us?
We look'd for peace, and there is no good;
and for the time of healing,
and behold, trouble!

We acknowledge, O Lord, our wickedness,
and th'iniquity of our forefathers:
for we have sinn'd against thee.

Do not abhor us, for thy name's sake;
do not, O do not disgrace the throne of thy glory:

remember, break not thy cov'nant with us.
 Are there any among the vanities
 of the Gentiles that can cause rain?
 or can the heav'ns give show'rs?
 Art thou not he, O Lord our God?

Therefore will we wait upon thee,
 for thou hast made all these things.

(Jeremiah 14; 17-22)

Hymn

The White Island, Or Place of the Blest
 text: Robert Herrick – music: Gustav Holst

**2. But when once from hence we fly,
 More and more approaching nigh
 Unto young Eternity / Uniting :**

**3. In that whiter Island, where
 Things are evermore sincere ;
 Candour here, and lustre there / Delighting :**

**4. There no monstrous fancies shall
 Out of hell an horror call,
 To create, or cause at all, / Affrighting.**

**5. There in calm and cooling sleep
 We our eyes shall never steep ;
 But eternal watch shall keep, / Attending**

**6. Pleasures, such as shall pursue
 Me immortalized, and you ;
 And fresh joys, as never too / Have ending.**

Organ Voluntary

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