CHORAL EVENSONG

WITH PRAYERS FOR HM QUEEN ELIZABETH II, KING CHARLES III, AND THE ROYAL FAMILY





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CHORAL PRELUDE

O Come and Mourn with Me Awhile C. Hubert H. Parry (1848-1918)

INTRODUCTION

TWO-MINUTE SILENCE

HYMN 357

All People that on Earth do Dwell

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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PSALM 121



I lift up my / eyes · to the / hills: but / where · shall I / find / help?

My help / comes · from the / Lord: who has / made / heaven · and / earth. He will not suffer your / foot to / stumble: and he who watches / over · you / will not / sleep.

Be sure he who has / charge of / Israel: will / neither / slumber · nor / sleep.

The Lord him-/-self / is · your / keeper: the Lord is your defence up-/-on your / right / hand;

The sun shall not / strike you · by / day: nor / shall the / moon by / night.

The Lord will defend you from / all / evil: it is / he · who will / guard your / life.

The Lord will defend your going out and your / coming / in: from this time / forward · for / ever-/-more

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./ A-/-men.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

A reading from the Book of First Kings:

⁵At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, 'Ask what I should give you.' ⁶And Solomon said, 'You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart towards you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. ⁷And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. ⁹Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern

between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?' ¹⁰ It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. ¹¹ God said to him, 'Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ¹² I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. ¹³ I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honour all your life; no other king shall compare with you. ¹⁴ If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life.' ¹⁵ Then Solomon awoke; it had been a dream. He came to Jerusalem, where he stood before the ark of the covenant of the LORD. He offered up burnt-offerings and offerings of well-being, and provided a feast for all his servants. (1 Kings 3.5-15)

Here ends the reading.

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Thomas Morley (1557-1602)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

A Reading from the Gospel According to Saint Luke:

²⁴ A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. ²⁵ But he said to them, 'The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. ²⁶ But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. ²⁷ For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

(Luke 22.24-27)

Here ends the reading.

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APOSTLES' CREED

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THE COLLECTS

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Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whose only Son hath opened for us a new and living way into thy presence: grant that, with pure hearts and constant wills, we may worship thee in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

THE GRACE

Amen.

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HYMN 715

Lord for the Years

READINGS FROM THE QUEEN'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGES

CONCLUDING REFLECTIONS

HMA Lindsay Skoll

ANTHEM

Thou Knowest Lord, the Secrets of our Hearts Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

PRAYERS

HYMN 766

Praise My Soul the King of Heaven

BLESSING

HYMN 578

God Save the King

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Nimrod

Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

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