Westminster Abbey
The Fourth Sunday after Trinity
Matins attended in Civic State by
The Lord Mayor of Westminster
11.00 am 7th July 2024

If you have a smartphone, the full order of service and music details are available by scanning the QR code. The church is served by a hearing loop. Users should turn their hearing aid to the setting marked T.

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After the service a collection will be taken: the money from today’s services will be given to The Lord Mayor’s charities, details of which can be found on the back page

The service is sung by the Westminster Abbey Choir, conducted by Andrew Nethsingha, Organist and Master of the Choristers.

The organ is played by Peter Holder, Sub-Organsit.

Before the service, Matthew Jorysz, Assistant Organist, plays

Pièce d’orgue BWV 572
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

Sursum Corda Op 11
Edward Elgar (1857–1934)
aranged by Edwin Lemare (1865–1934)

Westminster (Meditation)
Eric Coates (1886–1957)
from London Suite

The Lord Mayor of Westminster is received at the Great West Doors. All stand

All remain standing as the processions of The Lord Mayor and Councillors of the City of Westminster move to places in the Lantern and in Quire

The choir sings the Introit

Locus iste a Deo factus est
Anton Bruckner (1824–96)
All sing the Hymn, during which the choir and clergy process to places in Quire and the Sacrarium

All my hope on God is founded;
he doth still my trust renew.
Me through change and chance he guideth,
only good and only true.
     God unknown,
he alone
calls my heart to be his own.

Pride of man and earthly glory,
sword and crown betray his trust;
what with care and toil he buildeth,
tower and temple, fall to dust.
     But God’s power,
hour by hour,
is my temple and my tower.

God’s great goodness aye endureth,
deep his wisdom, passing thought:
splendour, light, and life attend him,
beauty springeth out of naught.
     Evermore
from his store
new-born worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth th’Almighty giver
bounteous gifts on us bestow;
his desire our soul delighteth,
pleasure leads us where we go.
     Love doth stand
at his hand;
joy doth wait on his command.
Still from man to God eternal
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of Christ his Son.
Christ doth call
one and all:
ye who follow shall not fall.

Michael 333 NEH
Meine Hoffnung stehet feste Joachim Neander (1650–80)
Herbert Howells (1892–1983) translated by Robert Bridges (1844–1930)

All remain standing. The Very Reverend Dr David Hoyle KCVO MBE, Dean of Westminster, gives the Welcome

The Reverend Helena Bickley-Percival, Minor Canon and Chaplain, says a sentence of scripture

The Chaplain and choir sing the Responses Thomas Morley (c 1557–1602)

All sit. The choir sings Venite exultemus Domino

The choir sings Psalm 149. All stand for Glory be to the Father

All sit. Councillor Adam Hug, Leader of Westminster Council, reads the first Lesson Deuteronomy 24: 10–15, 17–end

All stand. The choir sings Te Deum Collegium Regale Herbert Howells

All sit. The Right Worshipful Councillor Robert Rigby, The Lord Mayor of Westminster, reads the second Lesson Romans 12: 3–18

All stand. The choir sings Jubilate Deo Collegium Regale Herbert Howells
All face east and say together the Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth:
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.

The Chaplain and choir sing

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

All kneel or sit for the Lesser Litany, the Lord’s Prayer, and the Responses

The Sacrist sings the Collects; of the Day, for Peace, and for Grace

All sit. The choir sings the Anthem

I was glad

Hubert Parry (1848–1918)

The Chaplain says

Let us pray.

All kneel or remain seated for the Intercessions

The Chaplain says the Prayers; for the Royal Family, and for the members of the Order of the Bath. After each prayer, all respond Amen.
The Intercessions end with the Grace

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all evermore.
Amen.

All stand to sing the Hymn

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy,
be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace,
your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,
be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

Slane 239 NEH
in Patrick Joyce’s Old Irish Folk Music and Songs 1909
All-Day Hymn
Jan Struther (1901–53)
All stand to sing the Hymn

O praise ye the Lord!
   praise him in the height;
rejoice in his word,
   ye angels of light;
ye heavens adore him
   by whom ye were made,
and worship before him,
   in brightness arrayed.

O praise ye the Lord!
   praise him upon earth,
in tuneful accord,
   ye sons of new birth;
praise him who has brought you
   his grace from above,
praise him who has taught you
   to sing of his love.

O praise ye the Lord!
   all things that give sound;
each jubilant chord,
   re-echo around;
loud organs, his glory
   forth tell in deep tone,
and, sweet harp, the story
   of what he has done.

A - men, a - men.
O praise ye the Lord!
thanksgiving and song
to him be outpoured
all ages along:
for love in creation,
for heaven restored,
for grace of salvation,
O praise ye the Lord!
Amen, amen.

Laudate Dominum 427 NEH
Henry Williams Baker (1821–77)
from the anthem Hear my words, ye people

All remain standing. The Dean pronounces the Blessing, to which all respond Amen.

All sing the National Anthem

God save our gracious King,
long live our noble King,
God save The King.
Send him victorious,
happy and glorious,
long to reign over us:
God save The King.

Music after the service

Toccata (Symphonie V in F Op 42 no 1) Charles-Marie Widor (1844–1937)

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