St Margaret's Church Westminster Abbey



JUSTICE MATTERS

A SERVICE FOR TRAIDCRAFT





Thursday 2nd July 2015 6.00 pm

TRAIDCRAFT

Traidcraft is the UK's leading fair trade organisation. Our mission is to fight poverty through trade, practising and promoting approaches to trade that help poor people in developing countries transform their lives. Established in 1979 as a Christian response to poverty, we build long-term relationships with producers, support people to trade out of poverty, and work to bring about justice in mainstream trade.

You can help:

- if your church has a Traidcraft Fairtrader, please support them and buy products from them
- if you don't have one, could you become one yourself?
- serve great tasting Traidcraft roast and ground coffee in your church
- give to our work with small-scale producers and growers
- add your voice to our Justice campaign

For more information, visit: www.traidcraft.co.uk

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The service is conducted by The Venerable Andrew Tremlett, Sub-Dean, Rector of St Margaret's Church, and Archdeacon of Westminster.

The organ is played by Martin Ford, Assistant Organist, Westminster Abbey.

Music before the service:

The organist plays:

Prelude and Fugue in A BWV 536

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

Prelude and Fugue in G Op 37 no 2

Felix Mendelssohn (1809–47)

The Lord Mayor of Westminster is received at the East Door by the Rector, and is conducted to her seat. All stand, and then sit.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

All stand as the clergy process.

All sing

THE HYMN

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who like me his praise should sing?
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour to our fathers in distress; praise him still the same for ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless.

Praise him! Praise him!

Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows; in his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.

Praise him! Praise him!

Widely as his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him; ye behold him face to face; sun and moon, bow down before him; dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise with us the God of grace.

Praise, my soul 436 NEH John Goss (1800–80) Henry Lyte (1793–1847) after Psalm 103

All remain standing. The Rector gives

THE WELCOME AND BIDDING

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE JUSTICE CAMPAIGN

All kneel or remain seated. The Rector leads

THE PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

God has blessed us, but still God's children go hungry. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

God has blessed us, but still the poor cry out for justice. Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

God has blessed us, but still we see inequality and oppression in the earth. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May almighty God, who sent his Son into the world to save sinners, bring you his pardon and peace, now and for ever. **Amen.**

All stand to sing

THE HYMN

Beauty for brokenness, hope for despair; Lord, in your suffering this is our prayer: bread for the children, justice, joy, peace sunrise to sunset your kingdom increase. Shelter for fragile lives, cures for their ills; work for the craftsman, trade for their skills; land for the dispossessed, rights for the weak, voices to plead the cause of those who can't speak.

God of the poor,
friend of the weak,
give us compassion we pray;
melt our cold hearts,
let tears fall like rain;
come, change our love
from a spark to a flame.

Refuge from cruel wars, havens from fear; cities for sanctuary; freedoms to share; peace to the killing-fields, scorched earth to green; Christ for the bitterness, his cross for the pain.

Rest for the ravaged earth, oceans and streams plundered and poisoned; our future, our dreams.

Lord, end our madness, carelessness, greed; make us content with the things that we need.

Lighten our darkness,
breathe on this flame,
until your justice
burns brightly again,
until the nations
learn of your ways,
seek your salvation,
and bring you their praise.

Beauty for Brokenness 806 CMP Graham Kendrick (b 1950) Graham Kendrick

All sit. Ram Gidoomal, Chair, Traidcraft board, reads

ISAIAH 42: 1-9

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind,

to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

All stand to sing

THE HYMN

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them.

My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them.

Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord 470 CP Daniel Schutte (b 1947)

THE ADDRESS

by

Martin Charlesworth Executive Director, Jubilee+

All remain seated. Martin Ford, piano, plays music for reflection:

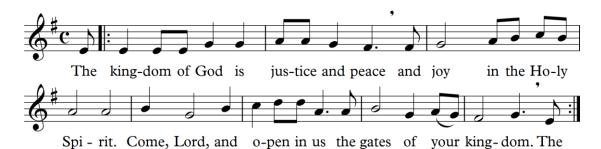
La fille aux cheveux de lin

Claude Debussy (1862–1918)

All kneel or remain seated for

THE PRAYERS

The Reverend Mark Birch, Minor Canon and Chaplain, sings the refrain, after which all repeat:



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The prayers are read by Mary Milne, Campaigns Manager, Traidcraft. The refrain is repeated in response to the words 'Lord, establish your justice on earth'.

Mary Milne concludes:

Let us pray for the coming of the kingdom in the words that Jesus taught us:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE CALL TO ACTION

at the conclusion of which all say:

Lord God, you create all people in your image and you grieve to see this broken world. We pray for those who are abused or exploited in the scramble for profit. May they have justice. Forgive us our part and give us the strength to campaign for change. Amen.

All stand to sing

THE HYMN

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou has been, thou forever wilt be.

Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Great is thy faithfulness 200 CMP William M Runyan (1923) Thomas O Chisholm (1923)

THE BLESSING

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honour everyone; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Music after the service:

Prelude and Fugue in C BWV 545

Johann Sebastian Bach

Members of the Congregation are requested to remain in their places until directed to move by the Stewards.

A retiring collection will be held for the work of Traidcraft Exchange.