CHORAL EVENSONG

on the Third Sunday before Lent Sunday 16th February 2025 | 4.00pm



Responses Humphrey Clucas (b.1941)

Introit Hail, glorious spirits, heirs of light

Words: John Austin (1613-69) Music: Christopher Tye (c. 1505-73)

Psalm 6

Lessons The First Lesson: Hosea 10. 1-8, 12

The Second Lesson: Galatians 4. 8-20

Canticles Evening Service G minor

Music: Henry Purcell (1659-95)

Anthem O Lord, who seest from yon starry height

Words: Henry Wadsworth Longfellow (1807-82)

Music: Charles Wood (1866-1926)

Voluntary Paean

Music: Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Hymn



'The kingdom is upon you!' the voice of Jesus cries, fulfilling with its message the wisdom of the wise; it lightens with fresh insight the striving human mind, creating new dimensions of purpose for mankind.

'God's kingdom is upon you!'
the message sounds today,
it summons every pilgrim
to take the questing way,
with eyes intent on Jesus,
our leader and our friend,
who trod faith's road before us,
and trod it to the end.

The kingdom is upon us!
Stirred by the Spirit's breath,
we glory in its freedom
from emptiness and death;
we celebrate its purpose,
its mission and its goal,
alive with the conviction
that Christ can make us whole.

Words: Robert Andrew Willis (born 1947)

Music: WOLVERCOTE William Harold Furguson (1872-1950)