

## 6pm Choral Evensong

# 4 May 2025 3rd Sunday of Easter

Welcome to Choral Evensong. The Vicar, Revd Joe Moffatt, is officiating this evening; the preacher is Lou Mcferran, Licensed Lay Reader at Holy Trinity Richmond, who has been doing a month-long placement at All Saints.

The service is filmed and broadcast on our YouTube channel. Please sit in the back three rows if you want to avoid being filmed.

<u>Hymns</u> 433 (omit \*) O worship the King

Love's redeeming work is done

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son

Responses Gibbons & Barnard

Canticles Darke in F

#### Psalm 86

- 1 Bow down thine ear, O Lord, and hear me: for I am poor, and in misery.
- 2 Preserve thou my soul, for I am holy: my God, save thy servant that putteth his trust in thee.
- 3 Be merciful unto me, O Lord: for I will call daily upon thee.
- 4 Comfort the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.
- For thou, Lord, art good and gracious: and of great mercy unto all them that call upon thee.
- 6 Give ear, Lord, unto my prayer: and ponder the voice of my humble desires.
- 7 In the time of my trouble I will call upon thee: for thou hearest me.
- 8 Among the gods there is none like unto thee, O Lord: there is not one that can do as thou doest.
- 9 All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship thee, O Lord: and shall glorify thy Name.
- 10 For thou art great, and doest wondrous things: thou art God alone.
- Teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy truth: O knit my heart unto thee, that I may fear thy Name.
- 12 I will thank thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart: and will praise thy Name for evermore.
- For great is thy mercy toward me: and thou hast delivered my soul from the nethermost hell.
- O God, the proud are risen against me: and the congregations of naughty men have sought after my soul, and have not set thee before their eyes.

- But thou, O Lord God, art full of compassion and mercy: long-suffering, plenteous in goodness and truth.
- O turn thee then unto me, and have mercy upon me: give thy strength unto thy servant, and help the son of thine handmaid.
- Shew some token upon me for good, that they who hate me may see it and be ashamed: because thou, Lord, hast holpen me and comforted me.

#### Readings

Isaiah 38: 9-20

A writing of King Hezekiah of Judah, after he had been sick and had recovered from his sickness: I said: In the noontide of my days I must depart; I am consigned to the gates of Sheol for the rest of my years. I said, I shall not see the Lord in the land of the living; I shall look upon mortals no more among the inhabitants of the world. My dwelling is plucked up and removed from me like a shepherd's tent; like a weaver I have rolled up my life; he cuts me off from the loom; from day to night you bring me to an end; I cry for help until morning; like a lion he breaks all my bones; from day to night you bring me to an end. Like a swallow or a crane I clamour, I moan like a dove. My eyes are weary with looking upwards. O Lord, I am oppressed; be my security! But what can I say? For he has spoken to me, and he himself has done it. All my sleep has fled because of the bitterness of my soul. O Lord, by these things people live, and in all these is the life of my spirit. O restore me to health and make me live! Surely it was for my welfare that I had great bitterness; but you have held back my life from the pit of destruction, for you have cast all my sins behind your back. For Sheol cannot thank you, death cannot praise you; those who go down to the Pit cannot hope for your faithfulness. The living, the living, they thank you, as I do this day; fathers make known to children your faithfulness. The Lord will save me, and we will sing to stringed instruments all the days of our lives, at the house of the Lord.

## John 11: 27-44

Martha said to him, 'Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.' When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, 'The Teacher is here and is calling for you.' And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?' Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead for four days.' Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards

and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

#### Collect

Almighty God, who has given thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an ensample of godly life; Give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavour ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### <u>Anthem</u> Bairstow 'Sing ye to the Lord'

Sing ye to the Lord, for He hath triumphed gloriously. Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath He cast into the sea.

Mighty Victim from the sky, hell's fierce powers beneath Thee lie; Thou hast conquered in the fight, Thou hast brought us life and light.

Now no more can death appall, now no more the grave enthrall; Thou hast opened Paradise, and in Thee Thy Saints shall rise. Mighty Victim from the sky, hell's fierce powers beneath Thee lie; Thou hast conquered in the fight, Thou hast brought us life and light;

Thou hast opened Paradise, and in Thee Thy Saints shall rise. Alleluia!

## **News and Events**

## Update on Bells Appeal Cake Sale

We would like to thank the congregation for their kind donations for the cake sale, we raised £350. Please see pictures on the Bell Ringers website: <a href="https://www.kingstonbells.org.uk/cake-sale-success/">https://www.kingstonbells.org.uk/cake-sale-success/</a>

<u>Lunchtime Recital - Mon 5<sup>th</sup> May 1.15-2pm</u>. Our highly popular Lunchtime Recitals return with the Summer Season starting with Alionor Trio. The following week 12<sup>th</sup> May features Lin Xu-Zhang (piano). Free to attend with a discretionary collection in support of the musical life of the church.

Poppy Craft Sessions – Tue 6<sup>th</sup> May 1-2pm Our free Poppy Crafting Sessions continue in the South West Aisle (near the Welcomers table), creating a wonderful Poppy Cascade for our Remembrance service. Materials provided (please bring needles if you have them). Contact comms@allsaintskingston.co.uk Re-Imagine Church for a younger generation Tue 6<sup>th</sup> May 8-9.30pm Interview event with award-winning young author Lamorna Ash followed by a Q&A discussion chaired by Bishop Martin on how the church might respond to

the younger generation's search for religion. St Barnabas Church, Southfields. Doors open 7.30pm for a free drink, talk starts 8pm. Tickets via Eventbrite. Bereavement Café Wed 7<sup>th</sup> May 2-3pm. A space to talk about the pain of bereavement and to find mutual support from others who understand the experience of loss. Completely free, come and go as you wish.

<u>Quiz Night – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May 7-10pm</u> At Kingston United Reformed Church, Eden Street, in support of Christian Aid. £10/person pay on night (includes a light supper). With a paying Bar & Cash Raffle.

Band Night – Playing Tunes Fit for a King! Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May 7.30pm. Specially priced £15 paper tickets are available for congregation members from the café or free tickets are offered for Volunteers helping with door/bar/clear-up. Please email comms@allsaintskingston.co.uk to sign up.

This is an important fundraiser for us so please come or spread the word! Kingston's favourite cover band <a href="www.runforcoverlive.com">www.runforcoverlive.com</a> playing disco, Britpop, rock and dance floor-fillers. Bar from the Park Brewery who are launching their new Athelstan cask Ale, food available to buy from The Cheeky Pea. Please book from <a href="www.ticketsource.co.uk/all-saints-church-kingston">www.ticketsource.co.uk/all-saints-church-kingston</a>.

Christian Aid Week 2025 - 11th-17th May. Please join us for this important annual fundraising week. Quiz Night: Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May (see separate notice above). London Freedom Walk: Saturday 10 May 12 noon-5pm, beginning at St Martin-in-the-Fields and visiting various churches along the route before finishing at St Paul's cathedral for Evensong at 5pm. Christian Aid Joint Church Service: Sunday 11 May 6pm, this special service will be held at Kingston Methodist Church, please do join us.

All-age worship and Choral Matins - Sunday 11th May. As part of our mission to Grow Faith through Singing, these services include the Junior Choir and their families. On these Sundays, there will be a 9.30am All-Age Communion Service with the Junior Choir and a 11am Choral Matins with the Main Choir. Please also add the following dates to your diaries: 8th June and 29th June 'Royal' Choral Evensong - Sun 18th May 6pm. To celebrate the 1100th anniversary of the coronation of King Athelstan, our choir will be joined by the Choir of HM Chapel Royal, Hampton Court Palace, for a special service of Choral Evensong. This combination of two outstanding choirs promises to be a royal treat. The guest preacher will be the Revd Martin Hislop, Representative Deputy Lieutenant for the Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames and Vicar of St Luke's Kingston. Eco Tips Drought proof your planting in your garden, or whatever outside space you have, so that your plants are better able to withstand our hotter summers, and whilst doing so, be mindful to choose insect-friendly plants to attract bees, butterflies, moths and other pollinators, There are many websites that give useful advice such as the RHS. www.rhs.org.uk/gardening-for-the-environment www.rhs.org.uk/wildlife

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