

S.^TJAMES'

9:30am Choral Matins



Sunday 29th June
PETER & PAUL,
APOSTLES AND MARTYRS

As Sydney's oldest church, St James' is a place of soul-stirring worship, challenging preaching and fine music. We are a progressive community that welcomes all people regardless of age, race, sexual orientation, gender identity, or religion.

We also acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we worship
—the Gadigal of the Eora Nation.

Order of Service

Please stand as the Choir and Ministers enter.

Welcome

Officiant ✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All Amen.

The Officiant welcomes the people and introduces the Opening Hymn.

Hymn 219

You will find the words of the hymn in the green hymn book provided.

Confession

Officiant Dear friends, the Scriptures urge us to acknowledge our sins,
and not to conceal them from God our heavenly Father,
but to confess them with a penitent and obedient heart,
so that we may be forgiven through his infinite goodness and mercy.
We ought always to admit our sins before God, and especially when
we come together to give thanks for the good things we have
received at his hands, to offer the praise that is his due, to hear his
holy word, and to ask what is necessary for the body as well as the
soul. Therefore, let us draw near to the throne of our gracious God,
as we pray:

Please sit or kneel.

All Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.

Absolution

Officiant May the almighty and merciful Lord
grant unto you ✠ pardon and remission of all your sins,
time for amendment of life,
and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit.


All Amen.

Please stand. The Preces and Responses are sung by the choir and congregation together.

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 ♪ O God, make speed to save us, ♪ O Lord, make haste to help us.

♩ Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost.



As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. A-men.

♩ Praise ye the Lord. ♪ The Lord's name be praised.

The Venite

We remain standing to sing the Venite together.

R. Goodson



O come let us | sing un • to the | Lord :

Let us heartily rejoice in the | strength of | our sal- | vation.

Let us come before his | presence • with | thanksgiving :

And shew ourselves | glad in | him with | psalms.

For the Lord is a | great_ | God :

And a great | King a- | bove all | gods.

In his hand are all the | corners • of the | earth :

And the strength of the | hills is | his_ | also.

The sea is | his and • he | made it :

And his | hands pre- | pared the • dry | land.

O come let us worship and | fall_ | down :

And | kneel be • fore the | Lord our | Maker.

For he is the | Lord our | God :

And we are the people of his | pasture •

and the | sheep • of his | hand.

Today if ye will hear his voice | harden • not your | hearts:

As in the provocation *

and as in the day of temp- | tation | in the | wilderness.

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.

Please sit.

Psalm 71

The Choir sings the psalm.

In te, Domine, speravi
In thee, O Lord, have I put my trust, let me never be put to confusion :
but rid me and deliver me in thy righteousness,
incline thine ear unto me, and save me.
Be thou my strong hold, whereunto I may always resort :
thou hast promised to help me,
for thou art my house of defence and my castle.
Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the ungodly :
out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.
For thou, O Lord God, art the thing that I long for :
thou art my hope, even from my youth.
Through thee have I been holden up ever since I was born :
thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb;
my praise shall be always of thee.
I am become as it were a monster unto many :
but my sure trust is in thee.
O let my mouth be filled with thy praise :
that I may sing of thy glory and honour all the day long.
Cast me not away in the time of age :
forsake me not when my strength faileth me.
For mine enemies speak against me,
and they that lay wait for my soul take their counsel together, saying :
God hath forsaken him; persecute him,
and take him, for there is none to deliver him.
Go not far from me, O God :
my God, haste thee to help me.
Let them be confounded and perish that are against my soul :
let them be covered with shame and dishonour that seek to do me evil.
As for me, I will patiently abide alway :
and will praise thee more and more.
My mouth shall daily speak of thy righteousness and salvation :
for I know no end thereof.

*I will go forth in the strength of the Lord God:
and will make mention of thy righteousness only.
Thou, O God, hast taught me from my youth
up until now : therefore will I tell of thy wondrous works.
Forsake me not, O God, in mine old age, when I am gray-headed :
until I have shewed thy strength unto this generation,
and thy power to all them that are yet for to come.
Thy righteousness, O God, is very high :
and great things are they that thou hast done;
O God, who is like unto thee?
O what great troubles and adversities hast thou shewed me,
and yet didst thou turn and refresh me :
yea, and broughtest me from the deep of the earth again.
Thou hast brought me to great honour :
and comforted me on every side.
Therefore will I praise thee and thy faithfulness,
O God, playing upon an instrument of musick :
unto thee will I sing upon the harp, O thou Holy One of Israel.
My lips will be fain when I sing unto thee :
and so will my soul whom thou hast delivered.
My tongue also shall talk of thy righteousness all the day long :
for they are confounded and brought unto shame
that seek to do me evil.*

Gloria Patri...

First Reading

Isaiah 49.1 - 6

Here begins the 49th chapter of the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away!

The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away.

And he said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.'

But I said, 'I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God.'

And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honoured in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength—he says,

'It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.'

Here ends the First Reading.

Te Deum

Please stand.

Choir *We praise thee, O God : we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship thee : the Father everlasting.
To thee all Angels cry aloud :
the heavens, and all the powers therein.
To thee Cherubin and Seraphin : continually do cry,
Holy, Holy, Holy : Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty : of thy glory.
The glorious company of the Apostles : praise thee.
The goodly fellowship of the Prophets : praise thee.
The noble army of Martyrs : praise thee.
The holy Church throughout all the world : doth acknowledge thee;
The Father : of an infinite Majesty;
Thine honourable, true : and only Son;
Also the Holy Ghost : the Comforter.
Thou art the King of Glory : O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting Son : of the Father.
When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man :
thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.
When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death :
thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God : in the glory of the Father.
We believe that thou shalt come : to be our Judge.
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants :
whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with thy Saints : in glory everlasting.
O LORD, save thy people : and bless thine heritage.
Govern them : and lift them up for ever.
Day by day : we magnify thee;
And we worship thy Name : ever world without end.
Vouchsafe, O Lord : to keep us this day without sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us : have mercy upon us.
O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us : as our trust is in thee.
O Lord, in thee have I trusted : let me never be confounded.*

Please sit.

Here begins the 11th chapter of the Acts of the Apostles.

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, ‘Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?’ Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ‘I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, “Get up, Peter; kill and eat.” But I replied, “By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.” But a second time the voice answered from heaven, “What God has made clean, you must not call profane.” This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, “Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.” And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, “John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.” If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?’ When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, ‘Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.’

Here ends the Second Reading.

Jubilate

Please stand.

Choir *O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands :
 serve the Lord with gladness,
 and come before his presence with a song.
Be ye sure that the Lord he is God :
 it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves;
 we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,
and into his courts with praise :
 be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.
For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting :
 and his truth endureth from generation to generation.
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. Amen.*


Please remain standing.

Apostles' Creed

Officiant I believe in God
All **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 Catholick Church;
The Communion of Saints;
The Forgiveness of sins;
The Resurrection of the body,
✠ And the Life everlasting. Amen.**

The Responses are sung by the choir and congregation together.

Officiant All

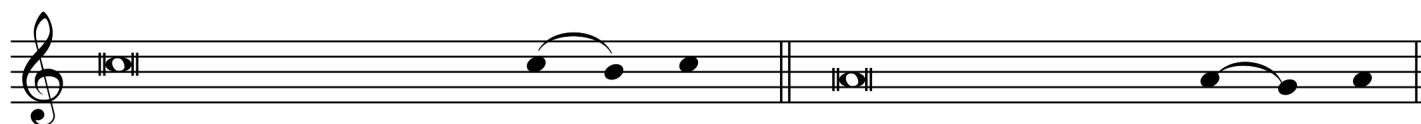


ψ The Lord be___ with___ you. R And with thy___ spi - rit.

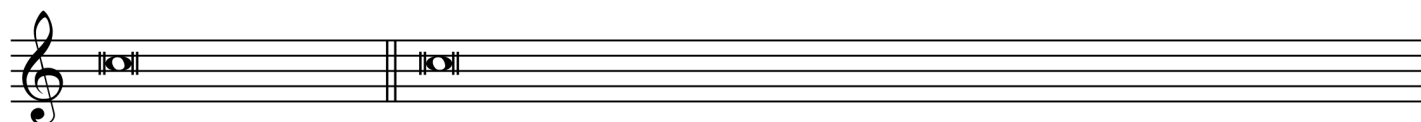
Please sit or kneel.



ψ Let us___ pray. Lord, have mercy up - on___ us.



R Christ, have mercy up - on___ us. ψ Lord, have mercy up - on___ us.




Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done,
in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive them that trespass against us;




And lead us not into temp - ta - tion, But deliver us from evil. A - men.



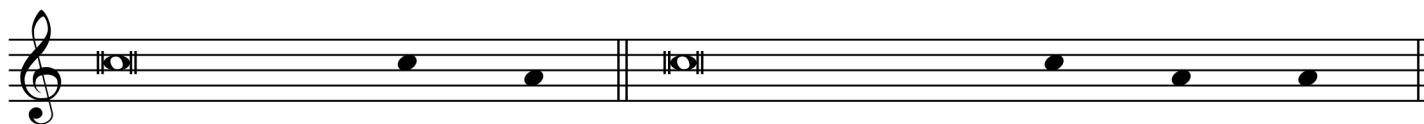
ψ O Lord, shew thy mercy up - on us. R And grant us thy sal - va - tion.



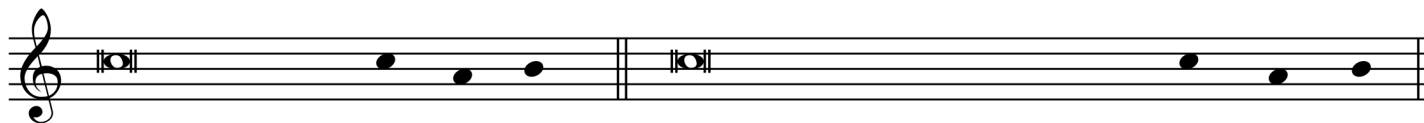
ψ O Lord, save the King. R And mercifully hear us
when we call up - on thee.



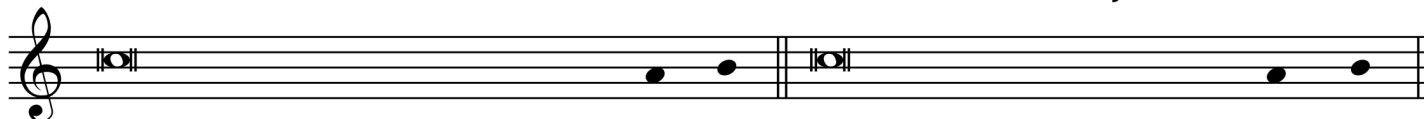
ψ Endue thy ministers with right-eous-ness. R And make thy chosen people joy-ful.



Ÿ O Lord, save thy peo - ple. R And bless thine in - he - ri - tance.

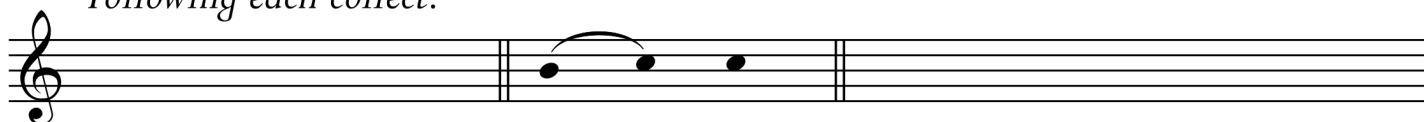


Ÿ Give peace in our time, O Lord. R **Because there is none
other that fighteth for us,
but only thou, O God.**



Ÿ O God, make clean our hearts with - in us. R **And take not
thy holy Spirit from us.**

Following each collect:



R A - men.

Collects

The Collect for Saints Peter and Paul

O God, who by the preaching of your blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, hast caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the world: Grant, we beseech thee, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may shew forth our thankfulness unto thee for the same, by following the holy doctrine which he taught; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Collect for Peace

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord,
in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life,
whose service is perfect freedom:
Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies;
that we, surely trusting in thy defence,
may not fear the power of any adversaries;
through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Collect for Grace

O Lord, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God,
who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day:
Defend us in the same with thy mighty power;
and grant that this day we fall into no sin,
neither run into any kind of danger;
but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance,
to do always that is righteous in thy sight;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Hymn 456

You will find the words of the hymn in the green hymn book provided. During the last verse of this hymn the choir retires to the vestry to prepare for the next service of the morning.

Sermon

Hymn 388

*You will find the words of the hymn in the green hymn book provided.
During this hymn a collection for the church's ministry will be received.
You may wish to make your offering at sjks.org.au/donate, using the tap machines in the church or via the QR code provided.*



Blessing

Officiant God give you grace to follow Peter, Paul and all the Saints in faith
and hope and love, and the blessing of God Almighty
✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Organ Voluntary