Psalms for Evensong, Summer 2025

Evensong, Sunday 20th July

PSALM 81. Exultate Deo.



Sing we merrily unto 'God our 'strength: make a cheerful noise 'unto the 'God of 'Jacob.

- 2 Take the psalm bring 'hither the 'tabret: the 'merry 'harp with the 'lute.
- 3 Blow up the trumpet in the 'new' moon: even in the time appointed, and up'on our 'solemn' feast-day.
- 4 For this was made a 'statute for 'Israel: and a 'law of the 'God of 'Jacob.
- 5 This he ordained in Joseph' for a'testimony: when he came out of the land of Egypt, and had' heard a'strange' language.
- 6 I eased his shoulder' from the 'burden: and his hands were 'delivered from' making the 'pots.
- 7 Thou calledst upon me in troubles, and I de'livered thee: and heard thee what time as the storm fell upon thee.
- * 8 I'prov-ed'thee'also:'at the'waters of'strife.
 - 9 Hear O my people, and I will assure thee O'Israel: if thou wilt hearken unto me,
 - 10 There shall no strange god'be in'thee: neither shalt thou worship 'any'other' god.

PSALM 88. Domine Deus.



- O Lord God of my salvation, I have cried day and 'night be'fore thee:
 O let my prayer enter into thy presence, incline thine 'ear' unto my 'calling.
- 2 For my soul is 'full of 'trouble: and my life draweth 'nigh' unto 'hell.
- 3 I am counted as one of them that go down' into the 'pit: and I have been even as a 'man that 'hath no' strength.
- 4 Free among the dead, like unto them that are wounded and 'lie in the 'grave: who are out of remembrance, and are 'cut a'way from thy 'hand.
- 5 Thou hast laid me in the 'lowest' pit: in a place of 'darkness and 'in the 'deep.
- 6 Thine indignation lieth 'hard up'on me: and thou hast 'vexed me with 'all thy 'storms.
- 7 Thou hast put away mine acquaintance 'far' from me: and made me to 'be ab'hor-red' of them.
- 8 I am so 'fast in 'prison: that I 'cannot 'get' forth.
- 9 My sight faileth for 'very' trouble: Lord I have called daily upon thee, I have stretched forth my 'hands' unto 'thee.

Evensong, Sunday 3rd August

Psalm 107 vv.1-12



- O GIVE thanks unto the Lord for 'he is 'gracious : and his 'mercy en'dureth for 'ever.
- 2 Let them give thanks whom the 'Lord hath re'deemed : and delivered 'from the' hand of the 'enemy;
- 3 And gathered them out of the lands, from the east and from the 'west: from the 'north and' from the 'south.
- 4 They went astray in the wilderness out of the way: and found no city to dwell in;
- 5 Hungry 'and 'thirsty: their 'soul 'fainted in 'them.
- b So they cried unto the Lord'in their'trouble : and he delivered them' from' their dis'tress.
 - 7 He led them forth by the 'right' way: that they might go to the 'city' where they 'dwelt.
- 8 O that men would therefore praise the 'Lord for his 'goodness: and declare the wonders that he 'doeth for the 'children of 'men!
 - 9 For he satisfieth the 'empty 'soul: and filleth the 'hungry' soul with 'goodness.
 - 10 Such as sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death: being fast bound in misery and iron;
 - 11 Because they rebelled against the 'words of the 'Lord: and lightly regarded the counsel of the 'most' Highest;
 - 12 He also brought down their 'heart through 'heaviness: they fell down and 'there was 'none to 'help them.

Evensong, Sunday 10th August

PSALM 108. Paratum cor meum.



- O God, my heart is ready my heart is ready: I will sing and give praise with the best member that I have.
- 2 Awake thou'lute and 'harp: I myself' will a'wake right' early.
- 3 I will give thanks unto thee O Lord a'mong the 'people : I will sing praises unto 'thee a'mong the 'nations.
- 4 For thy mercy is greater' than the 'heavens: and thy truth' reacheth 'unto the' clouds.
- 5 Set up thyself O God a'bove the' heavens: and thy glory a'bove 'all the' earth.
- 6 That thy beloved may 'be de'livered : let thy right hand save 'them and 'hear thou' me.



- 7 God hath spoken 'in his 'holiness: I will rejoice therefore and divide Sichem, and mete 'out the 'valley of 'Succoth.
- 8 Gilead is mine and Ma'nasses is 'mine : Ephraim also is the 'strength of 'my 'head.
- 9 Judah is my law-giver, Moab'is my'wash-pot: over Edom will I cast out my shoe, upon Phi'listia' will I'triumph.
- 10 Who will lead me into the strong city: and who will bring me into Edom?
- 11 Hast not thou forsaken'us O'God: and wilt not thou O'God go 'forth with our'hosts?
- 12 O help us a'gainst the 'enemy : for 'vain is the 'help of 'man.
- 13 Through God we shall 'do great' acts: and it is he that 'shall tread 'down our' enemies.

Evensong, Sunday 17th August



Retribue servo tuo.

- O Do well 'unto thy 'servant: that I may 'live and 'keep thy 'word.
- 18 Open'thou mine'eyes: that I may see the'wondrous'things of thy 'law.
- 19 I am a stranger up'on 'earth : O hide not 'thy com'mandments 'from me.
- 20 My soul breaketh out for the very fervent de'sire: that it hath 'alway' unto thy 'judgements.
- 21 Thou hast re'buked the 'proud : and cursed are they that do 'err from 'thy com'mandments.
 - 22 O turn from me 'shame and re'buке : for 'I have 'kept thy 'testimonies.
 - 23 Princes also did sit and speak a gainst me: but thy servant is occupied in thy statutes.
- * 24 For 'thy 'testimonies' are my de'light: and 'my 'counsellors.

Adhaesit pavimento.

- My soul cleaveth' to the' dust: O quicken thou me ac'cording' to thy 'word.
- 26 I have acknowledged my ways 'and thou' heardest me: O'teach me 'thy' statutes.
- 27 Make me to understand the way of 'thy com'mandments: and so shall I'talk of thy' wondrous' works.
- 28 My soul melteth away for 'very 'heaviness: comfort thou me ac-'cording' unto thy 'word.
- 29 Take from me the 'way of 'lying: and cause thou me to make 'much of 'thy 'law.
- 30 I have chosen the 'way of 'truth : and thy judgements 'have I 'laid be'fore me.
- 31 I have stuck 'unto thy 'testimonies: O'Lord con'found me'not.
- 32 I will run the way of 'thy com'mandments: when thou hast 'set my 'heart at 'liberty.

Evensong, Sunday 24th August



Memor esto servi tui.

- O THINK upon thy servant as con'cerning thy' word: wherein thou hast caused' me to' put my' trust.
- 50 The same is my comfort 'in my 'trouble : for thy 'word hath 'quickened'me.
- 51 The proud have had me exceedingly in derision: yet have I not shrink-ed from thy law.
- ★ 52 For I remembered thine ever'lasting 'judgements O'Lord: 'and re-'ceiv-ed' comfort.
 - 53 I am 'horribly a'fraid: for the ungodly 'that for'sake thy 'law.
 - 54 Thy statutes have 'been my 'songs: in the 'house' of my 'pilgrimage.
 - 55 I have thought upon thy Name O Lord in the 'night'season: and have 'kept'thy'law.
 - 56 This 'I' had: be'cause I' kept thy com'mandments.

Portio mea, Domine.

Thou art my 'portion O'Lord: I have 'promised to 'keep thy 'law.

- 58 I made my humble petition in thy presence with my'whole'heart:
 O be merciful unto me ac'cording' to thy' word.
- 59 I called mine own' ways to re'membrance: and turned my' feet 'unto thy' testimonies.
- 60 I made haste and prolonged not the time : to keep thy com-
- 61 The congregations of the un'godly have robbed me: but I have not for gotten thy law.
- 62 At midnight I will rise to give 'thanks unto 'thee: be'cause of thy 'righteous' judgements.
- 63 I am a companion of all'them that' fear thee: and'keep'thy com-'mandments.
- 64 The earth O Lord is 'full of thy 'mercy: O'teach me'thy 'statutes.