

All sing

HYMN R & S 114



*Let all the world in every corner sing,
'My God and King!'*
The heavens are not too high,
his praise may thither fly;
the earth is not too low,
his praises there may grow.
*Let all the world in every corner sing,
'My God and King!'*

Words *George Herbert (1593-1632)*

The Church with psalms must shout,
no door can keep them out;
but, above all, the heart
must bear the longest part.
*Let all the world in every corner sing,
'My God and King!'*

Tune LUCKINGTON
Basil Harwood (1859-1949)

CLOSING RESPONSES AND BLESSING

O God by whose command the order of time runs its course:
Forgive our restlessness, perfect our faith and while we await the
fulfilment of your promise, grant us to have a good hope in Jesus Christ
our Saviour. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord
Thanks be to God.

St Paul's Cathedral



Faith to heal a broken world:
Developing a Global Partnership

30 October 2005

EVENING SERVICE

1800

The Dean and Chapter warmly welcome you to St Paul's Cathedral.

In 2004 the Cathedral and Diocese of London celebrated an important anniversary of the foundation of the first cathedral on this site. St Mellitus - the first Bishop of London - dedicated a church under the patronage of St Paul on top of this low hill overlooking the Thames 1400 years ago last year.

We welcome all who come to this holy place to join in the prayers and praises of God's people as a link in the tradition of faith that we thankfully receive, and eagerly pass to those who will follow us as members of the body of Christ.

St Paul's Institute is running a programme of events this Autumn entitled "What Can One Person Do?". The series of lectures, services and seminars are focussed on consideration of the United Nations Millennium Development Goals.

The services at 6pm throughout October will enable us to be still and to meditate on the issues surrounding global poverty, with practical suggestions for us to contribute to its eradication.

The Millennium Development Goal we are focussing on this evening is to:

Develop a Global Partnership for Development

We will be looking at its associated targets:

To develop further an open, rule-based, predictable, nondiscriminatory trading and financial system (includes commitment to good governance, development, and poverty reduction - both nationally and internationally).

To address the special needs of the least-developed countries (includes tariff- and quota-free access for exports, enhanced program of debt relief for and cancellation of official bilateral debt, and more generous official development assistance for countries committed to poverty reduction).

To address the special needs of landlocked countries and small island developing states (through the Program for Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States and 22nd General Assembly provisions).

To deal comprehensively with the debt problems of developing countries through national and international measures in order to make debt sustainable in the long term.

To develop and implement, in cooperation with developing countries, strategies for decent and productive work for youth.

To provide, in cooperation with pharmaceutical companies, access to affordable essential drugs in developing countries.

To make available, in cooperation with the private sector, the benefits of new technologies, especially information and communications technologies

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READING *A World Without Walls*

It helps now and then to step back
and take a long view.

The Kingdom is not only beyond our efforts;
it is even beyond our vision.

We accomplish in our lifetime only a tiny fraction
of the magnificent enterprise that is God's work.

Nothing we do is complete,
which is another way of saying
that the Kingdom always lies beyond us.

No statement says all that could be said,
no prayer fully expresses our faith,
no confession brings perfection,
no pastoral visit brings wholeness,
no program accomplishes the church's mission,
no set of goals and objectives includes everything.
That is what we are about.

We plant seeds that one day will row.

We water seeds already planted,
knowing that they hold future promise.

We lay foundations that will need further development.

We cannot do everything,
and there is a sense of liberation in realising that.

This enables us to do something and do it very well.

It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way and an
opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest.

We may never see the end results,

but that is the difference
between the master builder and the worker.

We are workers, not master builders,
ministers, not messiahs.

We are prophets of a future not our own.

Amen

Bishop Kenneth Untener of Saginaw (1979)

SONG

Garth Hewitt

WHAT CAN ONE PERSON DO?

Act of Commitment.

PRAYER

From the Lavenham church in Nairobi

We cannot merely pray to you O God to end war.
For we know that you have made the world in such a way that we must
find our own path to peace within ourselves and with our neighbours.
Lord have mercy
Lord have mercy.

We cannot merely pray to you O God to end starvation.
For you have already given us the resources with which to feed the
whole world.
Christ have mercy
Christ have mercy

We cannot merely pray to you O God to end despair.
For you have already given us the power to clear away slums to give
hope, if only we would use our power justly.
Lord have mercy
Lord have mercy.

**May the words that we pray and the deeds that we do be
acceptable before you our Rock and our Redeemer.**

Let us pray for the coming of the kingdom in the words 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.**

ORDER OF SERVICE

GREETING AND OPENING PRAYER

Your word O God is a lantern to our feet and a light upon our path.

The light and peace of Jesus Christ be with you
And also with you.

Let us pray.

Most loving God,
As your desire for mercy for those who are poor is unrelenting,
May we be unrelenting in our pursuit of mercy for all:
As your compassion for the suffering of the poor knows no limit,
May our hearts overflow with compassion for all.
Open our eyes to the structures of oppression from which we benefit,
And give us wisdom to chart a sound course amid complexity, and
perseverance to continue our work until it is finished.
Breathe your life giving spirit into your Church to free us from apathy
and indifference;
Through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

PRESENTATION ON MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOAL 8:

To Develop a Global Partnership for Development

Given by Canon Dr Edmund Newell

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

Sung by Garth Hewitt

READING

Nehemiah 2. 17,18; 3.1-5

Then I said to them, 'You see the trouble we are in, how Jerusalem lies in ruins with its gates burnt. Come, let us rebuild the wall of Jerusalem, so that we may no longer suffer disgrace.' I told them that the hand of my God had been gracious upon me, and also the words that the king had spoken to me. Then they said, 'Let us start building!' So they committed themselves to the common good.

Then the high priest Eliashib set to work with his fellow-priests and rebuilt the Sheep Gate. They consecrated it and set up its doors; they consecrated it as far as the Tower of the Hundred and as far as the Tower of Hananel. And the men of Jericho built next to him. And next to them Zaccur son of Imri built.

The sons of Hassenaah built the Fish Gate; they laid its beams and set up its doors, its bolts, and its bars. Next to them Meremoth son of Uriah son of Hakkoz made repairs. Next to them Meshullam son of Berechiah son of Meshezabel made repairs. Next to them Zadok son of Baana made repairs. Next to them the Tekoites made repairs; but their nobles would not put their shoulders to the work of their Lord.

All sing

HYMN R & S 200 (433)



The kingdom of God
is justice and joy,
for Jesus restores
what sin would destroy;
God's power and glory
in Jesus we know,
and here and hereafter
the kingdom shall grow.

The kingdom of God
is mercy and grace,
the prisoners are freed,
the sinners find place,
the outcast are welcomed
God's banquet to share,
and hope is awakened
in place of despair.

Words *Bryn A. Rees (1911-83)*

The kingdom of God
is challenge and choice,
believe the good news,
repent and rejoice!
His love for us sinners
brought Christ to his cross,
our crisis of judgement
for gain or for loss.

God's kingdom is come,
the gift and the goal,
in Jesus begun,
in heaven made whole;
the heirs of the kingdom
shall answer his call
and all things cry 'Glory!'
to God all in all.

Tune HANOVER
William Croft (1678-1727)