



# CHRIST CHURCH

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH IN VIENNA

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## ORGAN PRELUDE

*Prelude: Prélude Op. 99/1*

Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921)

## HYMN 257

- 1 **O Spirit of the living God,  
in all the fullness of your grace,  
wherever human feet have trod,  
descend upon our fallen race.**
- 2 **Give tongues of fire and hearts of love  
to preach the reconciling word;  
anoint with power from heaven above  
whenever gospel truth is heard.**
- 3 **Let darkness turn to radiant light,  
confusion vanish from your path;  
those who are weak inspire with might:  
let mercy triumph over wrath!**
- 4 **O Spirit of our God, prepare  
the whole wide world the Lord to meet;  
breathe out new life, like morning air,  
till hearts of stone begin to beat.**
- 5 **Baptize the nations; far and near  
the triumphs of the cross record;  
till Christ in glory shall appear  
and every race declare him Lord! Amen.**

## GREETING

In the name of the living God: Father, Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

*The celebrant welcomes those in attendance.*

As we wait in silence,  
**fill us with your Spirit.**  
As we listen to your word,  
**fill us with your Spirit.**  
As we worship you in majesty,  
**fill us with your Spirit.**  
As we long for your refreshing,  
**fill us with your Spirit.**  
As we long for your renewing,  
**fill us with your Spirit.**  
As we long for your equipping,  
**fill us with your Spirit.**  
As we long for your empowering,  
**fill us with your Spirit.**

Let us bless the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.  
**Let us praise and bless God forever.**

## CONFESSION

What God has prepared for those who love him,  
he has revealed to us through the Spirit;  
for the Spirit searches everything.  
Therefore, let us in penitence open our hearts to the Lord,  
who has prepared good things for those who love him.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour**

in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry  
and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us, forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life  
to the glory of your name.  
Amen.

#### KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

#### ABSOLUTION

Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

#### GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,**

**we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.**

#### COLLECT

*The celebrant prays the collect set for the day.*

God, who as at this time  
taught the hearts of your faithful people  
by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit:  
grant us by the same Spirit  
to have a right judgement in all things  
and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort;  
through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
Amen.

#### OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

*Numbers 11:24-30*

*A reading from the Book of Numbers:*

<sup>24</sup>So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. <sup>25</sup>Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

<sup>26</sup>Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. <sup>27</sup>And a young man ran and told Moses, 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' <sup>28</sup>And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, 'My lord Moses, stop them!' <sup>29</sup>But Moses said to him, 'Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!' <sup>30</sup>And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

This is the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

*Psalm 104:26-37*

**Lord how various / are your / works: in wisdom you have made them all \* and the / earth is / full of · your / creatures.**

**There is the wide im-/-measur · able / sea:  
there move living things without / number / great and / small;**

**There go the ships / to and / fro: and there is that Leviathan \* whom you / formed to / sport · in the / deep.**

**These all / look to / you:  
to give them their / food in / due / season.**

**When you give it to / them they / gather it: when you open your hand they are / satisfied · with / good / things.**

**When you hide your / face · they are / troubled: when you take away their breath they / die · and re-/-turn · to their / dust.**

**When you send forth your spirit they / are cre-/-ated:  
and you re-/-new the / face · of the / earth.**

**May the glory of the Lord en-/-dure for / ever:  
may the / Lord re-/-joice · in his / works.**

**If he look upon the / earth · it shall / tremble:  
if he but touch the / mountains / they shall / smoke.**

**I will sing to the Lord as / long as · I / live:  
I will praise my / God · while I / have · any / being.**

**May my meditation be / pleasing / to him:  
for my / joy shall / be · in the / Lord.**

**May sinners perish from the earth \* let the wicked / be no / more:  
bless the Lord O my soul \* O / praise / - the / Lord.**

**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.**

LESSON

*Acts 2.1-15*

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:*

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. <sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?' <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' <sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning.

This is the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

#### GRADUAL HYMN 258

- 1 **O thou who camest from above  
the fire celestial to impart,  
kindle a flame of sacred love  
on the mean altar of my heart!**
- 2 **There let it for thy glory burn  
with inextinguishable blaze,  
and trembling to its source return  
in humble prayer and fervent praise.**
- 3 **Jesus, confirm my heart's desire  
to work, and speak, and think for thee;  
still let me guard the holy fire,  
and still stir up the gift in me.**
- 4 **Ready for all thy perfect will,  
my acts of faith and love repeat;  
till death thy endless mercies seal,  
and make the sacrifice complete.**

#### GOSPEL

*John 7:37-39*

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John:*  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>37</sup> On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, 'Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, <sup>38</sup> and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, "Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" <sup>39</sup> Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

This is the Gospel of the Lord:  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

#### SERMON

*The appointed preacher offers a sermon.*

#### CREED

*The Nicene Creed*

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is,  
seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.**

## INTERCESSIONS

*A member of the congregation offers prayers.*

## PEACE

*The celebrant introduces the Peace with a suitable sentence:*

God has made us one in Christ.  
He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come,  
has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia.  
The peace of the Lord be always with you,  
**and also with you.**  
Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All exchange an appropriate sign of peace.*

## OFFERTORY HYMN 234 (OMIT VERSE 5)

- 1 **All together in one place  
friends of Jesus met to pray,  
waiting as the Lord had said  
for the Pentecostal day.  
Alleluia!**
- 2 **All together with one power  
poured out when the Spirit came,  
touching each and filling all,  
rushing wind and burning flame.  
Alleluia!**
- 3 **All together with one voice,  
praising God in every tongue:  
languages they never learned,  
telling what the Lord had done.  
Alleluia!**

- 4 **All together with one aim:  
bearing witness to their Lord —  
sharing faith by word and deed,  
preaching Christ, the living Word.  
Alleluia!**
- 6 **One in mission, one in faith,  
still responding to God's call,  
one in telling all the world  
Jesus Christ is Lord of all!  
Alleluia!**

## EUCCHARIST

*Eucharistic Prayer A*

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
holy Father, almighty and eternal God,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
For he is our great high priest  
who has entered once for all  
into the heavenly sanctuary,  
evermore to pour upon your Church  
the grace and comfort of your Holy Spirit.  
He is the one who has gone before us,  
who calls us to be united in prayer  
as were his disciples in the upper room  
while they awaited his promised gift,  
the life-giving Spirit of Pentecost.  
Therefore all creation yearns with eager longing  
as angels and archangels sing the endless hymn of praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
[Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.]**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,  
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
and as we follow his example and obey his command,  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us his body and his blood;  
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper  
he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying:  
Drink this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it,  
in remembrance of me.

Therefore, heavenly Father,  
we remember his offering of himself  
made once for all upon the cross;  
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;  
we look for the coming of your kingdom,  
and with this bread and this cup  
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died:  
Christ is risen:  
Christ will come again.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,  
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,  
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts  
in the presence of your divine majesty,  
renew us by your Spirit,  
inspire us with your love  
and unite us in the body of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty,  
in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

#### **LORD'S PRAYER**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has 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.**

### **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

### **AGNUS DEI**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
grant us peace.**

### **INVITATION**

Draw near with faith.  
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ  
which he gave for you,  
and his blood which he shed for you.  
Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you,  
and feed on him in your hearts  
by faith with thanksgiving.  
**Amen.**

*The celebrant distributes communion.*

### **ANTHEM**

*Come thou Holy Spirit Come*  
Palestrina (1525-1594)

### **COMMUNION HYMN 236**

- 1 **Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
fill me with life anew,  
that I may love what thou dost love,  
and do what thou wouldst do.**
- 2 **Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
until my heart is pure;  
until with thee I will one will,  
to do and to endure.**
- 3 **Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
till I am wholly thine;  
until this earthly part of me  
glows with thy fire divine.**
- 4 **Breathe on me, Breath of God:  
so shall I never die,  
but live with thee the perfect life  
of thine eternity.**

### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYERS**

Faithful God,  
who fulfilled the promises of Easter  
by sending us your Holy Spirit  
and opening to every race and nation  
the way of life eternal:  
open our lips by your Spirit,  
that every tongue may tell of your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**Almighty God,  
we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies  
to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out  
in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work  
to your praise and glory.  
Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

The Spirit of truth lead you into all truth,  
give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
and strengthen you to proclaim the word and works of God;  
and the blessing of God Almighty  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit  
be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

### **HYMN 242 (OMIT \* VERSE)**

- 1 **Come, Holy Spirit, come!  
Inflame our souls with love,  
transforming every heart and home  
with wisdom from above.  
O let us not despise  
the humble path Christ trod,  
but choose, to shame the worldly-wise,  
the foolishness of God.**
- 2 **Come with the gift to heal  
the wounds of guilt and fear,  
and to oppression's face reveal  
the kingdom drawing near.  
Where chaos longs to reign,  
descend, O holy Dove,**

**and free us all to work again  
the miracles of love.**

- 3 **Spirit of truth, arise;  
inspire the prophet's voice:  
expose to scorn the tyrant's lies,  
and bid the poor rejoice.  
O Spirit, clear our sight,  
all prejudice remove,  
and help us to discern the right,  
and covet only love.**
- 5 **Come, Holy Spirit, dance  
within our hearts today,  
our earthbound spirits to entrance,  
our mortal fears allay.  
And teach us to desire,  
all other things above,  
that self-consuming holy fire,  
the perfect gift of love.**

### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

### **ORGAN POSTLUDE**

*Prelude and Fugue in C, BWV 545*  
J.S. Bach (1685-1750)



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