

## Choral Evensong, 6 pm

**Introit** Locus iste, *Anton Bruckner*  
*words for the dedication of a church*

Locus iste a Deo factus est.  
Inestimabile sacramentum  
irreprehensibilis est.

This is the Lord's house,  
which He hath made  
Profoundly sacred,  
it is beyond reproof.

**Responses** *Smith*

**Psalm 150** (*chant by Stanford*)

**Old Testament reading - Proverbs 3.13-18**

**Hymn 395 - Christ is our corner-stone**

**Canticles** *Noble in B minor*

**New Testament reading - Matthew 9.9-13**

**Anthem - Give us the wings of faith, Ernest Bullock**

**Prayers**

**Hymn 530 - Now thank we all our God**



# Festal Communion

## The Feast of St Matthew (transferred)

Sunday 19 September 2019

10 am

Setting: John Rutter/Harold Darke in F  
President: The Reverend Peter Barham

**Welcome** - the first part of the service is in the normal booklets

### The Collect for St Matthew

All O almighty God,  
whose blessed Son  
called Matthew the tax collector  
to be an apostle and evangelist:  
give us grace to forsake  
the selfish pursuit of gain  
and the possessive love of riches  
that we may follow in the way  
of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### New Testament Reading - 2 Corinthians 4.1-6

*read by Richard McLachlan*

Since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry of the Spirit, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God. And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as

### The Blessing

God give you grace to share the inheritance  
of the saints in glory;  
and the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be with you this day, and for evermore. **Amen.**

### Hymn

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small;  
In all life thou livest, the true life of all;  
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,  
And wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;  
All laud we would render: O help us to see  
'Tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

*Words: W. Chalmers Smith  
Music: St Denio, John Roberts - CP 474*

*During communion the choir will sing*

God, creator and redeemer,  
journeying with your people still!  
Near to Darley's Derwent river  
stands the church upon a hill.  
Joyful now we see St Matthew's  
built two centuries ago,  
shining beacon, sacred landmark travellers know.  
God, creator and redeemer,  
praise be for this holy place.  
When we come our prayers to offer  
to receive your gifts, your gifts of grace.  
Let our music's celebration, everything we do and say,  
kindle determination to pass on what's ours today.

*Words: David Mowbray, Vicar 1991-2003*

*Music: Jacqueline Burley*

### **Prayer after Communion**

**Lord God, the source of truth and love,  
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,  
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,  
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Lord and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Reading - Matthew 9.9-13**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**All (sung) Glory to you, O Lord.**

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All (sung) Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **Sermon**

The service continues with **The Nicene Creed** on page 6 of the Communion Book

**The Prayers of Intercession** are led by Clive Lemmon

**The Peace**

**Offertory hymn**

Matthew, meeting Jesus  
Leaves his desk behind;  
Finds a new direction  
For his busy mind.

Now, instead of money,  
He will serve the Lord,  
Write a holy Gospel -  
Living, lasting Word.

Greed is all forgotten  
In the Master's school;  
God's own loving kindness  
Is the golden rule.

In the steps of Matthew  
Let us tread today.  
With lights brightly shining,  
Signalling the way.

Glory to the Father,  
And to Christ the Son,  
Glory to the Spirit,  
Ever three in One.

Words: David Mowbray  
Music: Glenfinlas,  
K.G. Finlay - CP 303i

The service continues with **The Eucharistic Prayer** on page 9 of the Communion Book, with this Proper Preface for St Matthew used at the top of page 10

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 your Son our Lord.  
We rejoice in the glorious splendour of your majesty  
for you have given us a share with Matthew  
in the inheritance of the saints in light.  
In the darkness of this passing age  
they proclaim the glory of your kingdom.  
Chosen as lights in the world,  
they surround our steps as we journey on  
towards the city of eternal light  
where they sing the everlasting song of triumph.  
In communion with angels and archangels  
and all who have served you on earth  
and worship you now in heaven,  
we raise our voices to proclaim your glory,  
for ever praising you and singing:

Matthew in  
*The Lindisfarne Gospels*

