9.30am Choral Mattins
Hymns and Readings Sheet
St Mary Redcliffe with Temple,
Bristol and St John the Baptist, Bedminster

26th October 2025 The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Hymn 404

Lord of our life, and God of our salvation, Star of our night, and hope of every nation, Hear and receive thy Church's supplication, Lord God Almighty.

See round thine ark the hungry billows curling; See how thy foes their banners are unfurling; Lord, while their darts envenomed they are hurling, Thou canst preserve us.

Lord, thou canst help when earthly armour faileth, Lord, thou canst save when deadly sin assaileth; Christ, o'er thy rock nor death nor hell prevaileth; Grant us thy peace, Lord.

Peace in our hearts, our evil thoughts assuaging; Peace in thy Church, where brothers are engaging; Peace, when the world its busy war is waging: Calm thy foes' raging.

Grant us thy help till backward they are driven, Grant them thy truth, that they may be forgiven;

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Grant peace on earth, and, after we have striven, Peace in thy heaven.

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Psalm 119, 105-128 (pg 508)

Thy word is a lantern unto my feet: and a light unto my paths. I have sworn, and am stedfastly purposed: to keep thy righteous judgements.

I am troubled above measure : quicken me, O Lord, according to thy word.

Let the free-will offerings of my mouth please thee, O Lord : and teach me thy judgements.

My soul is alway in my hand: yet do I not forget thy law.

The ungodly have laid a snare for me : but yet I swerved not from thy commandments.

Thy testimonies have I claimed as mine heritage for ever : and why? they are the very joy of my heart.

I have applied my heart to fulfil thy statutes alway: even unto the end.

I hate them that imagine evil things: but thy law do I love. Thou art my defence and shield: and my trust is in thy word. Away from me, ye wicked: I will keep the commandments of my

God.

O stablish me according to thy word, that I may live: and let me not be disappointed of my hope.

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Hold thou me up, and I shall be safe : yea, my delight shall be ever in thy statutes.

Thou hast trodden down all them that depart from thy statutes : for they imagine but deceit.

Thou puttest away all the ungodly of the earth like dross: therefore I love thy testimonies.

My flesh trembleth for fear of thee : and I am afraid of thy judgements.

I deal with the thing that is lawful and right: O give me not over unto mine oppressors.

Make thou thy servant to delight in that which is good: that the proud do me no wrong.

Mine eyes are wasted away with looking for thy health: and for the word of thy righteousness.

O deal with thy servant according unto thy loving mercy : and teach me thy statutes.

I am thy servant, O grant me understanding: that I may know thy testimonies.

It is time for thee, Lord, to lay to thine hand : for they have destroyed thy law.

For I love thy commandments: above gold and precious stone. Therefore hold I straight all thy commandments: and all false ways I utterly abhor.



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Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 59.9-20

Therefore justice is far from us, and righteousness does not reach us; we wait for light, and lo! there is darkness; and for brightness, but we walk in gloom. We grope like the blind along a wall, groping like those who have no eyes; we stumble at noon as in the twilight, among the vigorous as though we were dead. We all growl like bears; like doves we moan mournfully. We wait for justice, but there is none; for salvation, but it is far from us. For our transgressions before you are many, and our sins testify against us. Our transgressions indeed are with us, and we know our iniquities: transgressing, and denying the Lord, and turning away from following our God, talking oppression and revolt, conceiving lying words and uttering them from the heart. Justice is turned back, and righteousness stands at a distance; for truth stumbles in the public square, and uprightness cannot enter. Truth is lacking, and whoever turns from evil is despoiled.

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The Lord saw it, and it displeased him that there was no justice. He saw that there was no one, and was appalled that there was no one to intervene; so his own arm brought him victory, and his righteousness upheld him. He put on righteousness like a breastplate, and a helmet of salvation on his head; he put on garments of vengeance for clothing, and wrapped himself in fury as in a mantle. According to their deeds, so will he repay; wrath to his adversaries, requital to his enemies; to the coastlands he will render requital. So those in the west shall fear the name of the Lord, and those in the east, his glory; for he will come like a pent-up stream that the wind of the Lord drives on.

And he will come to Zion as Redeemer, to those in Jacob who turn from transgression, says the Lord.



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New Testament Reading: Luke 14.1-14

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. 'When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, "Give this person your place", and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, "Friend, move up higher"; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.'

He said also to the one who had invited him, 'When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.'



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Collect

O God, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee;

Mercifully grant, that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

