

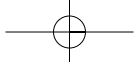
# WESTMINSTER SCHOOL LEAVERS' SERVICE



## WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Wednesday 1 July 2009

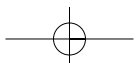
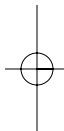
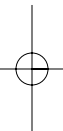
6:30 pm



Music Before Service

*Prelude in C*  
*played by Jeremy Holt*

*Buxtehude (1637-1707)*



## ORDER OF SERVICE

*All stand for the processional hymn*

**B**E Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,  
Be all else but naught to me, save that Thou art;  
Be Thou my best thought in the day and the night,  
Both waking and sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, be Thou my true word,  
Be Thou ever with me, and I with Thee Lord;  
Be Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son;  
Be Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Be Thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;  
Be Thou my whole armour, be Thou my true might;  
Be Thou my soul's shelter, be Thou my strong tower:  
O raise Thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise:  
Be Thou mine inheritance now and always;  
Be Thou and Thou only the first in my heart;  
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, Thou heaven's bright sun,  
O grant me its joys after victory is won;  
Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be Thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

*Words: Irish c8th century  
trans. Mary Byrne (1880-1931)  
and versified by Eleanor Hull (1860-1935)*

*Traditional Irish Melody*

*All remain standing. The Very Revd John Hall, Dean of Westminster, says*

**W**ELCOME to Westminster Abbey, which has for almost four hundred and fifty years nurtured the spirits of countless Westminsters, and for many centuries before that been the spiritual home of all those being educated within the Abbey precincts.

We meet in the presence of almighty God to give thanks for all that we have given and received at Westminster School over the past years. We come with many memories, with much for which to give thanks and perhaps a little to regret.

Above all, as we reflect on how the School has helped us become what we are, let us commit ourselves today to framing our lives around what we have received: the priority of truth and justice, the importance of charity and respect for others, the value of community and of service.

Let us ask for God's blessing on each one who is leaving. Let us take a moment in silence to summon the memories and to focus the mind and heart.

*A short period of silence is kept.*

**T**HE Lord enrich you with his grace, and nourish you with his blessing; the Lord defend you in trouble and keep you from all evil; the Lord accept your prayers, and absolve your offences, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. **Amen.**

*All remaining standing for the Choir to sing*

O Lord, open thou our lips  
**and our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.**

O God, make speed to save us.  
**O Lord, make haste to help us.**

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. Amen.**

Praise ye the Lord.  
**The Lord's name be praised.**

*All sit for*

Philippians 1.1-11

*Read by Natalie Loh and Jeremy Holt  
Head Girl and Praefectus*

Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus,  
To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the bishops and deacons:  
Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that on the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

*All remain seated for the Choir to sing*

I was glad when they said unto me  
 'We will go into the house of the Lord'.  
 Our feet shall stand in thy gates, O Jerusalem.  
 Jerusalem is builded as a city that is at unity in itself.  
 O pray for the peace of Jerusalem,  
 they shall prosper that love thee.  
 Peace be within thy walls  
 and plenteous within thy palaces.

*Adapted from Psalm 122*

*Hubert Parry (1848-1918)*

*All remain seated for*

Matthew 7.7-14  
*Read by Tracy Morris*

'Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for bread, will give a stone? Or if the child asks for a fish, will give a snake? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good things to those who ask him!

In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets. Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the road is easy that leads to destruction, and there are many who take it. For the gate is narrow and the road is hard that leads to life, and there are few who find it.'

*All stand to sing*

WHAT a Friend we have in Jesus,  
All our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry  
Everything to God in prayer!  
O what peace we often forfeit,  
O what needless pain we bear,  
All because we do not carry  
Everything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations?  
Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged;  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful  
Who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness;  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden,  
Cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Saviour, still our refuge,  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer!  
In His arms He'll take and shield thee;  
Thou wilt find a solace there.

Blessed Saviour, Thou hast promised  
Thou wilt all our burdens bear  
May we ever, Lord, be bringing  
All to Thee in earnest prayer.  
Soon in glory bright unclouded  
There will be no need for prayer  
Rapture, praise and endless worship  
Will be our sweet portion there.

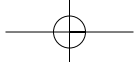
*Words: Joseph Scriven (1819-1886)*

*Tune: Charles Converse (1832-1918)*

*All sit for*

THE ADDRESS

*Given by the Chaplain, the Revd Gavin Williams*



*All sit or kneel*

The Lord be with you.  
**And with thy spirit.**  
Let us pray.  
**Lord, have mercy upon us.**  
**Christ, have mercy upon us.**  
**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

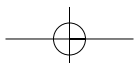
*All say together*

**O**UR Father, which art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass  
against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;  
**And grant us thy salvation.**  
O Lord, save the Queen.  
**And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**  
Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.  
**And make thy chosen people joyful.**  
O Lord, save thy people.  
**And bless thy inheritance.**  
Give peace in our time O Lord.  
**Because there is none other that fighteth for us,**  
**but only thou O God.**  
O God, make clean our hearts within us.  
**And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

**A**Lmighty God, who has so richly blessed us: Make this school as a field  
which yields an abundant harvest; that whatsoever things are true and  
pure, lovely and of good report, may here abound and flourish. We ask this  
through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

**W**E commend to thy fatherly care, O Lord, those who are about to leave  
this school, both staff and pupils. May thy goodness and mercy follow  
them throughout their lives. Guard them in danger and keep them from evil;  
guide them continually in the right way; and assist them in every good work;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



*The Head Master says the School Prayer*

**W**E yield Thee hearty thanks, most merciful Father for our Foundress, Queen Elizabeth the First, and all other our benefactors, whose bounty Thou hast given us to enjoy.

Grant us, we beseech Thee, grace so to use Thy manifold blessings in our life here, that becoming profitable members of this church and nation, we may glorify Thy holy name, and finally by Thy mercy, obtain everlasting life; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Let us commend ourselves, one another, and all for whom we pray, to God the Holy and Undivided Trinity, saying together:

**T**HE Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
be with us all evermore.  
**Amen.**

*All stand to sing*

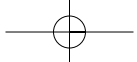
**A**ND did those feet in ancient time  
Walk upon England's mountains green?  
And was the holy Lamb of God  
On England's pleasant pastures seen?  
And did the countenance divine  
Shine forth upon our clouded hills?  
And was Jerusalem builded here  
Among those dark satanic mills?

Bring me by bow of burning gold!  
Bring me my arrows of desire!  
Bring me my spear! O clouds, unfold!  
Bring me my chariot of fire!  
I will not cease from mental fight,  
Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,  
Till we have built Jerusalem  
In England's green and pleasant land.

*Words: William Blake (1757-1827)*

*Tune: Jerusalem, Hubert Parry (1848-1918)*





*All remain standing. The Dean gives*

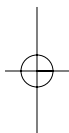
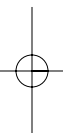
THE BLESSING

**U**NTO God's gracious mercy and protection we commit you. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon you, and give you His peace. And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Music after the service

*Toccata from Symphony No. 5  
played by Freddie James*

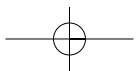
*Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)*



*Service played by Simon McGregor*

*Conductor: Tim Johnson*

*Preces and Responses by William Smith (1603-1645)*



## Valete

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Rahimah Abdul Halim	Liberty Gordon-Brown	Fortune Penniman
Sid Agarwal	Anna Grinevich	Olivia Prankerd Smith
Alexander Allen	Debra Guo	Natalie Puddicombe
Vyvyan Almond	Felix Hale	Alicia Queiro
William Amherst	Joccooa Hand	Joseph Rahamim
Maya Amin-Smith	Kay Hann	Harry Read
Chris Anguelov	Jonathan Harel-Cohen	Oliver Rees
Brian Au	Jackson Harris	Daniel Rix-Standing
Michael Aylmer	Joshua Harris-Kirkwood	Emily Robbins
Venetia Baden-Powell	Hannah Hauer-King	Jonathan Roberts
Rachel Beaconsfield Press	Haroun Hickman	Sophie Rosenheim
Jack Beanland	Thomas Hierons	George Rowell
Joshua Benson	William Higham	Rohan Sakhrani
Maude Blake-Sanders	Ben Hinson-Raven	Camilla Satow
Tom Boothman Meier	Jeremy Holt	Iona Seligman
Robert Bowdery	Philip Howe	Sabreen Shah
Hannah Bowen	Alexandra Hughes	Kate Shall
James Brashko	Francis Jagger	Yik-Han Siah
Gabriel Broadhurst	Annabel James	Peter Smith
Catherine Brown	Freddie James	Sami Start
Kempe Brydges	Matthew Jones-Parry	Alex Stephens
Samuel Burdell	Phil Juncker	Hugh Sultoon
Dominic Burrell	Joanna Kaba	Milo Sumner
Sam Carr	Marie Kang	Tom Surr
Henry Casserley	Sophie Kelly	Orfeo Tagiuri
Miheer Chanrai	Meredith Kerr	Sammy Talalay
Charles Chichester	Rebecca Kinder	Piran Tedbury
Kunal Choraria	Alexander Labrom	Jonathan Tham
Rhea Clubb	Sophie Ladbrokee	Jonathan Than
Ben Collis	Hans Larsen	Humphrey Thomas
Christianna Coltart	Joon Lee	Pierre Thomas
Benjamin Conyers	Avalon Lee-Bacon	Amy Thompson
Ella Cory-Wright	Nicholas Leese	Catherine Tillson
Alexander Crawford	Josephine Lethbridge	Hannah Timmis
Charlie Critchley	Ilya Levantis	Arjav Trivedi
Rory Curnock Cook	Joseph Lines	Bonnie Tse
Benjamin Davies	Natalie Loh	Felix Turner
Maxwell Dikkers	Timothy Lonsdale	Becca Tusa
Samuel Douek	Louis Lunts	Milan Vadher
India Dowley	Alasdair Maher	Khushaal Ved
Edward Drayton	Dipesh Mahtani	July Verkade
Bethan Edwards	James Male	Konrad Wagstyl
Karim El-Borhami	James Manning	Laetitia Weinstock
Ekow Eshun	Lara Markham	Ellie Weir
Richard Evans	Ramana McConnon	Ottilie Wilford
Thom Fairhead	Ella McGinn	Damian Winter
Isabel Falkner	Michael McManus	Frederick Young
Dara Farimani	Jake Mellett	Flora Zackon
Hunter Farquhar-Thomson	Leo Michelmore	David Zargaran
Emma-Victoria Farr	Ali Mohajer-Bastami	
Mark Fellows	Louise Moss	Jennie Bennett
Thomas Fieldman	Edward Myung	Nicolette David
Natalie Fiennes	Guy Nakamura	Kate Forman
Sam Fishwick	Sophie Neve	Shaun Hullis
Alexander Fiskens	Sam Newmark	Tracy Morris
Sebastian Fivaz	David Nordlinger	Adam Perkins
Alexander Foster	Jessica Norman	Frances Ramsey
Pascoe Foxell	Joe Northover	Patricia Rees
Anthony Friend	John O'Connor	Sam Rushbrook
Tom Friend	William O'Donnell	
Rupert Galway-Cooper	Elana Osen	
Anna Gibbs	John Owen	
Max Gill	Jamie Palmer	
Alice Godwin	Amar Patel	
Theo Gordon	Tasmin Patel	

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## RETIRING COLLECTION

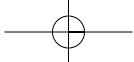
**Westminster House Youth Club**

Westminster School has a longstanding association with Westminster House Youth Club in Nunhead Grove, Peckham, and three of our current leavers have been regular volunteers at the club over the past two years. Our pupils have been active in the twice-weekly homework club, supporting pre-teens and younger teenagers with their school work. As well as offering assistance to younger people, our volunteers have been well-supported by the club's permanent staff and have enhanced their own life-skills as a result. The club desperately needs our financial support if it is to continue its outstanding services to young people in a challenging area of South London.

**Frank Barnes School**

Frank Barnes School is a sign bilingual primary school for profoundly deaf children based in Camden. The School, rated as 'outstanding' in a recent Ofsted inspection, caters for children from age 2 to 11 from all over London. A small group of Westminster pupils has been learning sign language throughout this academic year with the aim of being able to volunteer at Frank Barnes next year. The School desperately wants a 'sensory room'. Such a room allows children to relax or interact in a calm environment away from the demands of the classroom. The room requires specialist equipment such as fibre optics, projectors, soft play areas and bubble tubes, all of which are expensive.

*You are warmly invited to drinks on Green (in Dean's Yard) after the service where the Head Master will say a few words of farewell.*



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