

**St. Matthew & St. Luke's  
Darlington,  
and St. Michael's  
Heighington**

**Phone Church  
Thursday at 6pm**



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**& St. Michael's, Heighington**

**Phone Church Evening Prayer from**  
**The Book of Common Prayer**

**Joining instructions**

Using your telephone (landline OR mobile) dial: **0333 0164 757**

See if you can put your phone on 'speaker' or 'hands free' so that you can move it away from your ear. This isn't essential but might make it easier for you.

You will hear a woman's voice saying "Welcome to Whypay (and a short marketing message)" then, "Please enter your conference room number followed by the hash key". So using your keypad type in: **25865673 #** this is the Room Number

You will then hear the same voice say "Please enter your Guest Pin followed by the hash key" So using your keypad type in: **9379 #** this is the Guest Pin

When you are connected if you are the first on the line some music will play, when someone arrives you will hear a tone, just say hello to each other and when everyone is there we will begin.

**Evening Prayer from**  
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Beloved, we are come together in the presence of almighty God and of the whole company of heaven to offer unto him through our Lord Jesus Christ our worship and praise and thanksgiving; to make confession of our sins; to pray, as well for others as for ourselves, that we may know more truly the greatness of God's love and shew forth in our lives the fruits of his grace; and to ask on behalf of all men such things as their well-being doth require.

Wherefore let us sit or kneel in silence, and remember God's presence with us now.

**Almighty and most merciful Father,  
we have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost  
sheep. We have followed too much the devices and  
desires of our own hearts. We have offended against  
thy holy laws. We have left undone those things  
which we ought to have done;  
and we have done those things which we ought not  
to have done; and there is no health in us. But thou,  
O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders.  
Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults.  
Restore thou them that are penitent; according to  
thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu  
our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his  
sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous,  
and sober life, to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.**

*A priest says*

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord,  
to thy faithful people pardon and peace,  
that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee  
with a quiet mind;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Our 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. For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

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 Spirit;  
**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.**

## ***Psalm***

*At the end of the psalm these words  
are said*

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :  
and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is  
now, and ever shall be :  
world without end.  
Amen.**

## ***Old Testament Reading***

### ***Magnificat***

- 1 My soul doth magnify the Lord :  
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
- 2 For he hath regarded :  
the lowliness of his handmaiden.
- 3 For behold, from henceforth :  
all generations shall call me blessed.
- 4 For he that is mighty hath magnified me :  
and holy is his Name.
- 5 And his mercy is on them that fear him :  
throughout all generations.
- 6 He hath shewed strength with his arm :  
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their  
hearts.
- 7 He hath put down the mighty from their seat  
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
- 8 He hath filled the hungry with good things :  
and the rich he hath sent empty away.

- 9 He remembering his mercy hath helped his servant  
Israel:  
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed  
for ever.

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be :  
world without end. Amen.**

***New Testament Reading***

***Nunc dimittis***

- 1 Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace :  
according to thy word.  
2 For mine eyes have seen :  
thy salvation;  
3 Which thou hast prepared :  
before the face of all people;  
4 To be a light to lighten the Gentiles :  
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be :  
world without end. Amen.**

## *The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in **God the Father** almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth:  
and in **Jesus Christ** his only **Son** our **Lord**, who was  
conceived by the **Holy Ghost**, born of the **Virgin**  
**Mary**,  
suffered under **Pontius Pilate**,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead; he  
ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of **God the Father**  
almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the  
quick and the dead.  
I believe in the **Holy Ghost**;  
the holy catholic **Church**;  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. **Amen.**

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.

**Our 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.**

○ Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

**And grant us thy salvation.**

○ Lord, save the Queen.

**And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**

Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

**And make thy chosen people joyful.**

○ Lord, save thy people.

**And bless thine inheritance.**

Give peace in our time, ○ Lord.

**Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but  
only thou, ○ God.**

○ God, make clean our hearts within us.

**And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

*The Collect of the Day*



## ***The Collect for Peace***

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both, our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that, by thee, we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

## ***Prayers***

### ***The Collect for Aid against all Perils***

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

## ***The Grace***

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

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