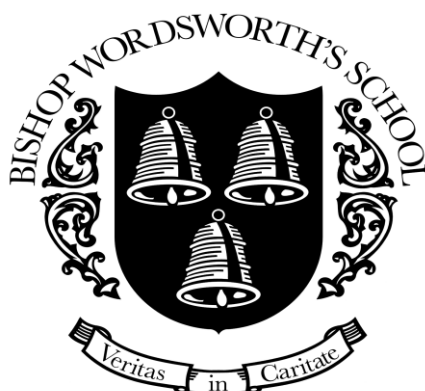


# **Bishop Wordsworth's School**



## **FOUNDER'S DAY**

**Friday 26 April 2019**

**Salisbury Cathedral**

**We warmly welcome you to this year's  
Founder's Day Service.**

A Prayer from the 1890 Order of Service for Founders, Benefactors and Worthies, compiled by Bishop John Wordsworth

O God of our fathers, who hast given us grace to meet together this day to commemorate the mercies which Thou hast shown forth in this Thy house from generation to generation: hearken we beseech Thee to the supplications of Thy servants; and grant that all who in the coming year shall enter this house to seek a blessing from Thee may feel with joy that Thou hast heard their prayers and granted their requests according to Thy perfect love and wisdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

A Prayer from the 1944 Altar Book for the Commemoration of the Founder

Make us, O Lord, the instruments of thy will. Where there is hatred, let us bring understanding; where there is despair, let us bring hope, where there is suffering let us bring relief; where there is discord let us bring harmony; where there is ignorance let us bring knowledge; and may our souls, our minds and our bodies be dedicated entirely and absolutely to thy service. Amen

**Organ Music before the Service**

*Played by Lachy Dow (Year 10), Joshua Samuel (Year 10) and  
Arthur Pallearos (Year 13)*

# ORDER OF SERVICE

*The congregation remains seated as the Choir and Clergy process along the south aisle to the west door.*

**Welcome by the Head Master**

**Dr Stuart Smallwood**

*The Choir sings the Introit.*

**'Steal Away'**

**Arranged: C Fay**

*Please stand as the organ fanfare sounds as a prelude to the opening hymn.*

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

**Christ triumphant, ever reigning.  
Saviour, Master, King!  
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,  
hear us as we sing:**

***Yours the glory and the crown,  
the high renown, the eternal name.***

**Word incarnate, truth revealing  
Son of man on earth!  
power and majesty concealing  
by your humble birth:**

***Yours the glory..***

**Suffering servant, scorned, ill-treated,  
victim crucified!  
death is through the cross defeated,  
sinners justified:**

***Yours the glory..***

**Priestly king, enthroned for ever  
high in heaven above!  
sin and death and hell shall never  
stifle hymns of love:**

***Yours the glory..***

**So, our hearts and voices raising  
through the ages long,  
ceaselessly upon you gazing,  
this shall be our song:**

***Yours the glory..***

*Music: John Barnard*

*Words: Michael Seward*

*Please remain standing*

## OPENING RESPONSES AND BIDDING PRAYER

**Reverend Andrew Gough, School Chaplain**

Blessed are you, Lord God, King of the Universe.

**All        You have given us a share in the inheritance  
             of the saints in light.**

**All        One generation shall praise your works to another  
             and shall declare your power.**

**All        You have granted us life and steadfast love,  
             and your care has preserved our spirit.**

**All        We praise you, O God, and we bless you;  
             for your mercy endures for ever.**

On this Founder's Day, we come together to offer our thanks to God for the work of John Wordsworth and for his vision in establishing his School: for its continuance, for the service of its staff, past and present, for the boys who are its being and its purpose and for all those who have passed through its doors to serve the wider community.

As we prepare to join in these acts of worship and praise, we remember the many blessings bestowed by God upon our School through past years. As we offer our thanks for all his goodness to us and to our predecessors, and ask for guidance in the years to come, we pray that he will help us to realise his presence, respond to his love and live our lives to his praise and glory.

We gather all our prayers and thanksgivings together, saying:

**All        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**

*The congregation sits*

## READING

Henry Dix

Head Boy

**Ephesians 4: 7, 11-16**

But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift.

The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knitted together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

## CHOIR ANTHEM

### **The Lord is my Shepherd**

The Lord is my shepherd;  
I shall not want.  
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
He leadeth me beside the still waters.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil:  
for you are with me,  
you will comfort me.

Surely goodness and mercy  
shall follow me all the days of my life:  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord  
for ever.

*Music: Howard Goodall*

## READING

Mr Norman Barter

Wordsworthian

Matthew 7:24-29

Jesus said: 'Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock. And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell—and great was its fall!'

Now when Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as their scribes.

*The congregation stands*

## HYMN

<b>Guide me, O thou great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand; bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.</b>	<b>Open now the crystal fountain whence the healing stream doth flow; let the fiery cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through; strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield, be thou still my strength and shield.</b>
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**When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
bid my anxious fears subside;  
death of death, and hell's destruction,  
land me safe on Canaan's side;  
songs and praises, songs and praises,  
I will ever give to thee,  
I will ever give to thee.**

*Music: John Hughes*

*Words: W Williams*

*The congregation sits*

## ADDRESS

### **The Right Reverend Karen Gorham, Bishop of Sherborne**

*Bishop Karen has been Bishop of Sherborne for 3 years. She was the 8<sup>th</sup> woman to be consecrated Bishop in the Church of England. She was ordained as a priest in 1996 after training for ministry at Trinity College, Bristol. Bishop Karen served in Northallerton and Maidstone before becoming Archdeacon of Buckingham in 2007. In the diocese of Salisbury she oversees the ministry in Dorset, supports Chaplains across the diocese and is responsible for Lay Ministry.*

*The congregation stands*

### HYMN

**For all the saints who from their labours rest,  
who thee by faith before the world confessed,  
thy name, O Jesu, be for ever blest.**

***Alleluia, Alleluia!***

**Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;  
thou, Lord, their Captain, in the well-fought fight;  
thou in the darkness still their one true light.**

***Alleluia, Alleluia!***

**And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,  
steals on the ear the distant triumph-song,  
and hearts are brave again and arms are strong.**

***Alleluia, Alleluia!***

**From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

***Alleluia, Alleluia!***

*Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams*

*Words: W Walsham How*

*The congregation sits*

### THE PRAYERS

#### **School Chaplain**

Almighty God,  
to whose glory we celebrate  
the anniversary of the  
foundation and life of this school;

deepen our faith, extend our vision,  
and draw us together in your love,  
as we seek to do your will  
and fulfil your purposes for the world,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Chaplain Let us give thanks to Almighty God for his blessings to us. For the life, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ; for the precious gift of the Holy Spirit and for the promise of eternal life; let us bless the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

Chaplain For those among us who are about to take their place in a wider world, for the part they have played in the School and for the concern and service we trust they will give to their fellow men and women in after years; let us bless the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

Chaplain For this School; for its students, for all members of staff, governors and benefactors; for all that encourages goodness, truth and integrity in this place; let us bless the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

Chaplain Especially on this day we thank God for the life and work of John Wordsworth; for his courage and zeal in establishing the School; for his generosity and foresight in planning and building it; for his loving care for its growth and well-being; let us bless the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

Chaplain Let us remember with thanksgiving at this time those from this School who have died during this year, and among them: Tricia Barnett, Ivor Raymond Nettleton, Matthew Pelly, Andrew Simpson M.A. and Richard A G Wilson.

O Eternal Lord God, who holdest all souls in life, we beseech thee to shed forth upon thy whole Church in Paradise and on earth the bright beams of thy light and heavenly comfort; and grant that we, following the good example of those who have loved and served Thee here and are now at rest, may at the last enter with them into the fullness of Thine unending joy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
**Amen**

*(A prayer of John Wordsworth)*



*The Choir sings 'Requiem Aeternum' by H W Carpenter, former Chaplain of Bishop Wordsworth's School.*

Rest eternal grant to them O Lord;  
and may light perpetual shine upon them.  
Rest eternal grant to them.

*Candles in memory of those remembered here today were lit before the service at one of the prayer stands in the Trinity Chapel at the east end of the Cathedral.*

*The congregation stands*

## **THE REDEDICATION**

### **School Chaplain**

Mindful of those who have gone before, and of the inheritance entrusted to us, let us rededicate ourselves to the service of God, and of our fellow men and women, as we say together:

**All            O God our Father,  
we commit ourselves to you  
in reverence and obedience;  
may we seek the truth you reveal,  
and show forth in our lives  
the compassion and love you display  
in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen**

## **THE BLESSING**

*The Choir sings*

### **Gaelic Blessing**

May the road rise to meet you.  
May the wind be ever at your back.  
May the sun shine warm upon your face  
and the rain fall soft upon your fields  
and until we meet again  
may God hold you in the palm of his hand.

## HYMN

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,  
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,  
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided,  
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us  
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,  
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us:  
Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.

Lord, for our world where we disown and doubt him,  
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain,  
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him:  
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.

Lord for ourselves; in living power remake us -  
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne,  
past put behind us, for the future take us:  
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

*Music: Michael Baughen*

*Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith*

*Please remain standing until the Choir and Clergy have left the nave.*

### **Music after the Service**

*Played by Arthur Pallearos, BWS Organ Scholar*

**Nun danket alle Gott - Marche Triomphale**  
**Op. 65 No. 59**

**Sigfrid Karg-Elert**

*PRIZE GIVING will be held in the Cathedral at 3.30pm*  
*(yes, that is 3.30pm in the afternoon!)*  
*on Thursday 19 September 2019*

## RETIRING COLLECTION



This year for Founder's Day we have decided to collect for two worthy causes instead of the usual one. We have done this for a couple of reasons, namely we felt that Founder's Day was a big enough event to be able to support more than just one charitable donation and we thought it would be nice to share our generosity both within and outside the UK.

The first charity is the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) who are providing life changing research for sufferers of type-1 diabetes — and hope to one day eradicate the disease totally. This cause is close to home for many BWS boys both past and present and our support here I'm sure will be much appreciated.

Our second charity is Msaada (which translates as 'help' or 'aid' from Swahili). This charity has the motto 'dignity through self-sufficiency' and is helping the people of Rwanda, who are still trying to recover from the horrific genocide that killed nearly one million Rwandans, to get back on their feet. They provide education and dairy cows to help families to support themselves, send their children to school and regain their dignity in difficult circumstances.

Two fantastic charities for whom we can make a real difference. I thank you for your generosity as always, it continually amazes me.

It has been a real honour to run this committee and to help organise our support for so many varied and crucial appeals; our donations this year have made our world just that little bit lighter and I like to think we have done some real good for people all across the planet. After all, every little good deed, every little donation and every little difference we make no matter how small or insignificant it may seem, is contributing to something greater and I will always be proud of the part we play in it.

Thank you for your support.

William Nath - Chair of the Charities Committee 2018-2019