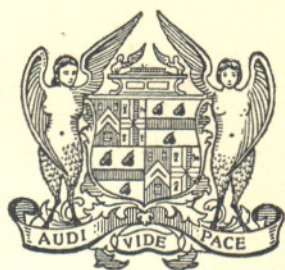


PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE  
OF WORCESTERSHIRE



IN MEMORIAM

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

GENERAL SIR FRANCIS J. DAVIES

K.C.B., K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., V.L. PAST DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

*Provincial Grand Master*

SATURDAY, 1 MAY, 1948

AT 2.30 P.M.

THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH  
OF CHRIST AND THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY  
WORCESTER

ORGAN RECITAL BY SIR IVOR ATKINS, D.MUS. (OXON.)

1. FANTASIA IN F MINOR - - - - - Mozart (1756-1791)  
(Allegro—Andante—Allegro)

Mozart is known to have had a great love of the organ, and at one time wrote "The organ is my passion", yet he left very little music for the instrument. This Fantasia was written in the last year of his life, and, surprising as it must seem, for a *mechanical* organ attached to a clock. The work has always ranked as one of the masterpieces of organ music. We learn from Dr. Einstein that Beethoven was so impressed with the Fantasia that he made a copy of it.

2. SOLEMN MELODY - - - - - Walford Davies (1859-1941)

Originally written for Organ and Strings this little work proved so popular that it has since been arranged for many combinations of instruments. The arrangement for organ has proved probably one of the most effective ways of presenting the melody.

3. ORGAN SONATA IN G (first movement) Elgar (1857-1934)

This is another rare contribution by a great orchestral composer to organ literature. One of the earliest of his mature works, the Sonata is stamped from the opening bar to the close with those unmistakable characteristics which became inseparable from Elgar's style in after life. The work was written in 1895 for a visit made by American Organists to Worcester Cathedral on 8th July, 1895. It was played by Hugh Blair, then Assistant Organist under Dr. Done, and later Organist of the Cathedral 1895-1897.

4. MINUET FROM "ARMINUS" - - - - - Handel (1685-1759)

This is one of the most beautiful of Handel's short movements. The fact that it uses the key of E minor, a key almost rare with Handel, though apparently especially dear to Bach, may in part account for its markedly elegiac character.

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# ORDER OF SERVICE

¶ At 2.30 p.m. the congregation shall sing

## THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

**G**OD save our gracious King,  
Long live our noble King,  
God save the King!  
Send him victorious,  
Happy and glorious,  
Long to reign over us;  
God save the King!

¶ Then shall follow the

## OPENING ODE

**H**AIL Eternal! by whose aid  
All created things were made,  
Heaven and Earth Thy vast design;  
Hear us Architect Divine.

May our work begun in Thee  
Ever blest, with order be,  
And may we, when labours cease,  
Part in harmony and peace.

By Thy Glorious Majesty,  
By the trust we place in Thee,  
By the badge and mystic sign,  
Hear us Architect Divine.

*So mote it be.*

¶ Immediately afterwards the Choir and Clergy shall enter the Cathedral by the Miserrimus Door, singing

## THE SENTENCES

**I** AM the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. *St. John 11. 25, 26.*

**I** KNOW that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth; and though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God. Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another. *Job 19. 25-27.*

**W**E brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord. *1 Timothy 6. 7. Job 1. 21.*

¶ *Then shall the Choir sing*

PSALM XV. *Domine, quis habitabit?*

**L**ORD, who shall dwell in thy tabernacle: or who shall rest upon thy holy hill?

Even he, that leadeth an uncorrupt life: and doeth the thing which is right, and speaketh the truth from his heart.

He that hath used no deceit in his tongue, nor done evil to his neighbour: and hath not slandered his neighbour.

He that setteth not by himself, but is lowly in his own eyes: and maketh much of them that fear the Lord.

He that sweareth unto his neighbour, and disappointeth him: not though it were to his own hindrance.

He that hath not given his money upon usury: nor taken reward against the innocent.

Whoso doeth these things: shall never fall.

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.*

¶ *The Assistant Provincial Grand Master, Wor. Bro. Dr. E. L. Bunting, P.P.G.W., shall be preceded to the Lectern by the Deputy Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies, and shall read*

THE FIRST LESSON

WISDOM III. 1-9

**T**HE souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there shall no torment touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to die, and their departure was taken for misery, and their going from us to be utter destruction: but they are in peace. For though they be punished in the sight of men, yet is their hope full of immortality. And having borne a little chastening, they shall receive great good: for God made trial of them, and found them worthy of himself. As gold in the furnace hath he tried them, and as a whole burnt offering he accepted them. In the time of their visitation they shall shine forth, and as sparks among stubble they shall run to and fro. They shall judge nations and have dominion over peoples; and the Lord shall reign over them for evermore. They that put their trust in him shall understand truth: and such as be faithful in love shall abide with him, for grace and mercy are to his saints, and he hath care for his elect.

## HYMN

O GOD, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Our shelter from the stormy blast,  
And our eternal home;

Under the shadow of thy throne  
Thy Saints have dwelt secure;  
Sufficient is thine arm alone,  
And our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,  
Or earth received her frame,  
From everlasting thou art God,  
To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight  
Are like an evening gone,  
Short as the watch that ends the night  
Before the rising sun.

O God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Be thou our guard while troubles last,  
And our eternal home.

¶ *The Deputy Provincial Grand Master in charge, Wor. Bro. Ben Marsh, J.P., P.G.D., shall be preceded to the Lectern by the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies, and shall read*

## THE SECOND LESSON

REVELATION XXI. 3-5

AND I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away. And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.

## HYMN

**O** LORD, how joyful 'tis to see  
The brethren join in love to Thee!  
On Thee alone their heart relies,  
Their only strength Thy grace supplies.

How sweet within Thy holy place  
With one accord to sing Thy grace,  
Besieging Thine attentive ear  
With all the force of fervent prayer!

Lord, shower upon us from above  
The sacred gift of mutual love;  
Each other's wants may we supply,  
And reign together in the sky.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him, all creatures here below,  
Praise Him above, Angelic host,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

¶ *After that, the congregation kneeling, the Precentor shall begin*

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Christ, have mercy upon us.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**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.*

*Minister.* Enter not into judgement with thy servant, O Lord;

*Answer.* For in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

*Minister.* Grant unto him eternal rest.

*Answer.* And let perpetual light shine upon him.

*Minister.* We believe verily to see the goodness of the Lord;

*Answer.* In the land of the living.

*Minister.* O Lord, hear our prayer;

*Answer.* And let our cry come unto thee.

### *The Collect*

**O**MERCIFUL God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the resurrection and the life; in whom whosoever believeth shall live, though he die; and whosoever liveth, and believeth in him, shall not die eternally; who also hath taught us, by his holy Apostle Saint Paul, not to be sorry, as men without hope, for them that sleep in him: We meekly beseech thee, O Father, to raise us from the death of sin unto the life of righteousness; that, when we shall depart this life, we may rest in him, as our hope is this our brother doth; and that, at the general resurrection in the last day, we may be found acceptable in thy sight; and receive that blessing, which thy well-beloved Son shall then pronounce to all that love and fear thee, saying, Come, ye blessed children of my Father, receive the kingdom prepared for you from the beginning of the world. Grant this, we beseech thee, O merciful Father, through Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Redeemer. *Amen.*

¶ *Then, the congregation standing in their places, the Choir shall sing*

### THE ANTHEM

**I** HEARD a voice from heaven, saying unto me, Write. From henceforth blessed are the dead which die in the Lord: even so saith the Spirit, for they rest from their labours.

### THE ADDRESS

*by the Provincial Grand Chaplain, Bro. Rev. R. H. Fowler*

### THE PRAYERS

¶ *Then shall the Ven. A. P. Shepherd, D.D., P.P.G. Chap. say*

Let us give thanks for the life and work of GENERAL SIR FRANCIS DAVIES; let us commend his soul to God's gracious keeping, and let us pray for grace to follow his good example.

**O** GOD the spirits of all flesh, we praise and magnify thy holy name, as for all thy servants who have finished their course in thy faith and fear, so especially for this thy servant, and we beseech thee that, encouraged by their examples, and strengthened by their fellowship, we also may be found meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the Saints in light; through the merits of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**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 fulness of thine unending joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**A**Lmighty and merciful God, of whose only gift it cometh that thy faithful people do unto thee true and laudable service: Grant, we beseech thee, that we may so faithfully serve thee in this life, that we fail not finally to attain thy heavenly promises; through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

#### HYMN

**F**OR all the Saints who from their labours rest,  
Who thee by faith before the world confest,  
Thy name, O Jesu, be for ever blest.

*Alleluia*

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress, and their Might;  
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;  
Thou in the darkness drear their one true Light.

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,  
Fight as the Saints who nobly fought of old  
And win, with them, the victor's crown of gold.

O blest communion! fellowship divine!  
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine,  
Yet all are one in three, for all are thine.

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.

The golden sunset brightens in the west;  
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest:  
Sweet is the calm of Paradise the blest.

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;  
The Saints triumphant rise in bright array:  
The King of glory passes on his way.

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.

¶ *Verse 4 shall be sung by the Choir alone.*

¶ *Verse 6 shall be sung by the Choristers alone.*

¶ *During this hymn a collection will be taken for inaugurating a Fund for the more efficient heating of the Cathedral.*

¶ *During the hymn the Dean and Canons shall go to the High Altar, and afterwards the Dean shall say*



## THE CLOSING PRAYER

LET us with all reverence and humility express our gratitude to the Great Architect of the Universe for favours already received; may He continue to preserve the Order by cementing and adorning it with every moral and social virtue.

*So mote it be.*

¶ *After which the congregation shall sing the*

### CLOSING ODE

NOW the evening shadows closing,  
Warn from toil to peaceful rest,  
Mystic arts and rights reposing,  
Sacred to each faithful breast.

God of life, whose love unceasing,  
Doth to all thy works extend,  
Crown our Order with thy blessing;  
Build, sustain us to the end.

Humbly now we bow before Thee,  
Grateful for Thy aid divine,  
Everlasting power and glory,  
Mighty Architect be Thine  
*So mote it be.*

### THE BLESSING

#### RECESSIONAL HYMN

JERUSALEM, my happy home,  
When shall I come to thee?  
When shall my sorrows have an end?  
Thy joys when shall I see?

Happy harbour of the Saints!  
O sweet and pleasant soil!  
In thee no sorrow may be found,  
No grief, no care, no toil.

In thee no sickness may be seen,  
No hurt, no ache, no sore;  
In thee there is no dread of death,  
But life for evermore.

No dampish mist is seen in thee,  
No cold nor darksome night;  
There every soul shines as the sun;  
There God himself gives light.

There lust and lucre cannot dwell,  
There envy bears no sway;  
There is no hunger, heat, nor cold,  
But pleasure every way.

Jerusalem, Jerusalem,  
God grant I once may see  
Thy endless joys, and of the same  
Partaker ay may be!

Thy walls are made of precious stones,  
Thy bulwarks diamonds square;  
Thy gates are of right orient pearl;  
Exceeding rich and rare.

Thy turrets and thy pinnacles  
With carbuncles do shine;  
Thy very streets are paved with gold,  
Surpassing clear and fine.

Thy houses are of ivory,  
Thy windows crystal clear,  
Thy tiles are made of beaten gold,  
O God that I were there!

Within thy gates nothing doth come  
That is not passing clean,  
No spider's web, no dirt, no dust,  
No filth may there be seen.

Ah my sweet home, Jerusalem,  
Would God I were in thee!  
Would God my woes were at an end,  
Thy joys that I might see!

¶ *The Masonic Procession, under the direction of the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies, will follow the Choir and Clergy out of the Cathedral by the Miserrimus Door.*