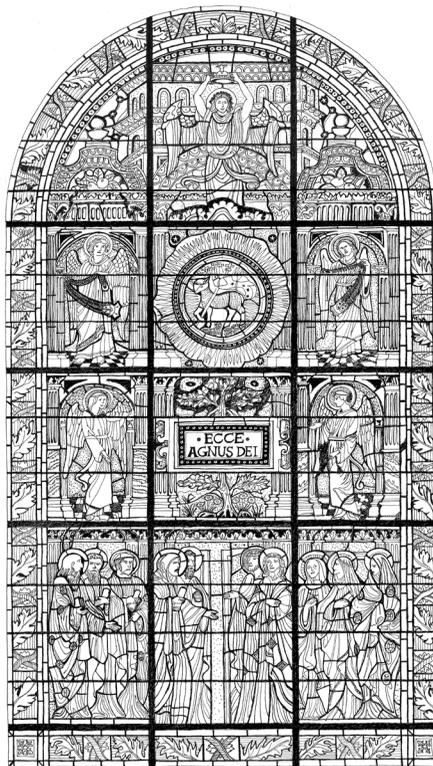


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A SERVICE OF FESTAL CHORAL EVENSONG

JUNE 6, 2021 • 5:00 PM



WELCOME

To all who are spiritually weary *and seek rest*,
to all who mourn *and long for comfort*,
to all who struggle *and desire victory*,
to all who sin *and need a Savior*,
to all who are strangers *and want fellowship*,
to all who hunger *and thirst after righteousness*,
and to whoever will come—*this church opens wide her doors*
and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

CHORAL EVENSONG

The term “Evensong” is derived from the Old English *ǣfensang*, originally applied to the pre-Reformation service of Vespers during the Middle Ages. Thomas Cranmer’s 1549 Book of Common Prayer combined elements of the old monastic services of Vespers and Compline into a unique English-language service focused on the wonder of Christ’s Incarnation, built around the two great Canticles from Luke’s Gospel, the Magnificat and the Nunc Dimittis, supplemented with psalmody and Scripture. Contemplative in tone, the liturgy for this service has remained essentially unchanged for some 500 years, and connects us to the countless host of saints who have gone before, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Commencing with the confession of sin, followed immediately by the sung prayer “O Lord, open Thou our lips,” we affirm that the gifts of speech and of song come from God alone and that we are created to sing His praise. May the words and music sung by the choir become a prayer within us and lift us to contemplate God’s beauty and glory as we worship Jesus, the Light of the world.

- The Rev. Brian K. McGreevy

FESTAL CHORAL EVENSONG

VOLUNTARY

Pièce Héroïque, M37

César Franck (1822-1890)

THE INTROIT

Hark! I Hear the Harps Eternal

arr. Alice Parker (1925-2019)

Hark, I hear the harps eternal ringing on the farther shore,
As I near those swollen waters with their deep and solemn roar.

Refrain: Hallelujah, praise the Lamb! Glory to the great I AM!

And my soul, though stained with sorrow, fading as the light of day,
Passes swiftly o'er those waters, to the city far away. *Refrain*

Souls have crossed before me, saintly, to that land of perfect rest;
And I hear them singing faintly in the mansions of the blest. *Refrain*

Words: Traditional. Tune: *Invitation* – Traditional tune arranged by Alice Parker

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THE WORD OF GOD

THE OPENING HYMN

O Praise Ye the Lord

Laudate Dominum

O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height;
Rejoice in his word, ye angels of light;
Ye heavens, adore him by whom ye were made,
And worship before him, in brightness arrayed.

O praise ye the Lord! Praise him upon earth,
In tuneful accord, all ye of new birth;
Praise him who hath brought you his grace from above,
Praise him who hath taught you to sing of his love.

O praise ye the Lord! All things that give sound;
Each jubilant chord re-echo a round;
Loud organs, his glory forth tell in deep tone,
And sweet harp, the story of what he hath done.

O praise ye the Lord! Thanksgiving and song.
To him be outpoured all ages along!
For love in creation, for heaven restored
For grace of salvation, O praise ye the Lord!

Words: Henry William Baker (1821-1877), alt.; based on Psalms 148 and 150

Music: *Laudate Dominum*, Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918)

THE CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

The officiant says to the people

Dear friends in Christ, here in the presence of Almighty God, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, so that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and people together, all kneeling

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. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus 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.

The priest stands alone and says

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit.

All stand.

THE PRECES

Setting by Martin Neary (b. 1940)

Cantor O Lord, open thou our lips,

Choir And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Cantor O God, make speed to save us,

Choir O Lord, make speed to help us.

Cantor Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,

Choir As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Cantor Praise ye the Lord.

Choir The Lord's Name be praised.

All remain standing.

PHOS HILARON

Hail, Gladdening Light

Charles Wood (1866-1926)

Hail, gladdening light of his pure glory pour'd, who is th'immortal Father, heav'nly blest.

Holiest of holies, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Now as we come to the sun's hour of rest the lights of ev'ning round us shine,

We hymn the Father, Son, and holy Spirit divine.

Worthiest art thou, at all times to be sung with undefiled tongue,

Son of our God, giver of life alone;

Therefore in all the world, thy glories, Lord, we own.

Text: Translated from the Greek by John Keble (1792-1866). Music: Charles Wood (1866-1926). CPDL.org

The people are seated.

PSALM 145

Exaltabo te, Deus

Setting by William Marsh (1880-1971)

I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.

Every day I will bless you and praise your Name forever and ever.

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, there is no end to his greatness.

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

I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty, and all your wondrous works.

They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, and I will tell of your greatness.

They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; they shall sing of your righteous deeds.
 The LORD is gracious full of compassion, slow to anger and of great kindness.
 The LORD is loving to everyone, and his compassion is over all his works.
 All your works praise you, O LORD, and your faithful servants bless you!
 They make known the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power,
 That the peoples may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, your dominion endures throughout all generations.
 The LORD is faithful in all his words and merciful in all his deeds.
 The LORD upholds all who fall; He lifts up those who are bowed down.
 The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, and you give them their food in due season.
 You open your hand; and satisfy the needs of every living creature.
 The LORD is righteous in all his ways and loving in all his works.
 The LORD is near to those who call upon him, to all who call upon him faithfully.
 He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he hears their cry and helps them.
 The LORD preserves all those who love him, but he destroys all the wicked.
 My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD; let all flesh bless his holy Name forever and ever.
 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 FIRST LESSON

2 Corinthians 4:13-18

¹³ Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, ¹⁴ knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵ For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. ¹⁶ So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸ as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand.

MAGNIFICAT

Evening Service in A

Charles V. Stanford (1852-1924)

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
 For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.
 For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.
 For he that is mighty hath magnified me and holy is his name.
 And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.
 He hath shewed strength with his arm. He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
 He hath put down the mighty from their seat and hath exalted the humble and meek.
 He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away.
 He rememb'ring his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel,
 As he promised to our forefathers Abraham, and his seed forever.
 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.

Text: Luke 1:46-55. Music: Charles V. Stanford (1852-1924). Published by Novello

The people are seated for the reading of God's word.

THE SECOND LESSON

Mark 3:20-35

²⁰ Then Jesus went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that they could not even eat. ²¹ And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, "He is out of his mind." ²² And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, "He is possessed by Beelzebul," and "by the prince of demons he casts out the demons." ²³ And he called them to him and said to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴ If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵ And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶ And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end. ²⁷ But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. Then indeed he may plunder his house. ²⁸ Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter, ²⁹ but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—³⁰ for they were saying, "He has an unclean spirit." ³¹ And his mother and his brothers came, and standing outside they sent to him and called him. ³² And a crowd was sitting around him, and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers are outside, seeking you." ³³ And he answered them, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" ³⁴ And looking about at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵ For whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Evening Service in A

Charles V. Stanford (1852-1924)

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace: according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
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 Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Text: Luke 2:29-32. Music: Charles V. Stanford (1852-1924). Published by Novello.

All are invited to sing the hymn

OFFICE HYMN

God of Grace and God of Glory

Cwm Rhondda

God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power;
Crown thine ancient Church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour,
For the facing of this hour.

Lo! The hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise:
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the living of these days.
For the living of these days.

Cure thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to thy control;
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,
Lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Set our feet on lofty places, gird our lives that they may be
Armored with all Christ-like graces in the fight to set men free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage that we fail not man nor thee,
That we fail not man nor thee.

Words: Harry Emerson Fosdick (1878-1969), alt.
Music: Cwm Rhondda, John Hughes (1873-1932)

THE APOSTLES' CREED

All remain standing and say

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 PRAYERS

Setting by Martin Neary (b. 1940)

Cantor The Lord be with you,

Choir And with thy spirit.

Cantor Let us pray.

All kneel.

Choir Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

All sing

Our Father, which 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 them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

THE SUFFRAGES

Setting by Martin Neary (b. 1940)

Cantor O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

Choir And grant us thy salvation.

Cantor O Lord, save the state.

Choir And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Cantor Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

Choir And make thy chosen people joyful.

Cantor O Lord, save thy people.

Choir And bless thine inheritance.

Cantor Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Choir Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O Lord.

Cantor O God, make clean our hearts within us.

Choir And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The cantor sings

O God, from whom all good doth come: Grant that by thy inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A COLLECT FOR PEACE

The cantor sings

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 our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of all enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

A COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST PERILS

The cantor sings

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 Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee; and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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

THE ANTHEM

Blessed City, Heavenly Salem

Edward Bairstow (1874-1946)

Blessèd city, heavenly Salem, vision dear of peace and love,
Who of living stones art builded in the heights of Heaven above,
And, by angel hands apparell'd as a bride doth earthward move.

Out of heaven from God descending, new and ready to be wed
To thy Lord, whose love espoused thee, fair adorn'd shalt thou be led;
All thy gates and all thy bulwarks of pure gold are fashionèd.

Bright thy gates of pearls are shining, they are open evermore;
And, their well-earned rest attaining thither faithful souls may soar,
Who for Christ's dear Name in this world pain and tribulation bore.

Many a blow and biting sculpture followed well those stones elect,
In their places now compacted, by the heavenly Architect,
Nevermore to leave the temple which with them the Lord hath deck'd.

To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of Hosts, today;
With Thy wonted loving-kindness, hear Thy servants as the pray;
And they fullest benediction shed within its walls always. Amen

Words: Latin, c. 7th century; Translated by John Mason Neale, 1851, alt.

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All kneel for the prayers.

THE CLOSING PRAYERS

THE BLESSING

All stand and sing the hymn.

THE HYMN 179

The Day Thou Gavest, Lord, Is Ended

St. Clement

The day Thou gavest, Lord, is ended, the darkness falls at Thy behest;
To Thee our morning hymns ascended, Thy praise shall sanctify our rest.

We thank Thee that Thy church, unsleeping, while earth rolls onward into light,
Through all the world her watch is keeping, and rests not now by day or night.

As over each continent and island the dawn leads on another day,
The voice of prayer is never silent, nor dies the strain of praise away.

The sun that bids us rest is waking our brethren 'neath the western sky,
And hour by hour fresh lips are making Thy wondrous doings heard on high.

So be it, Lord; Thy throne shall never, like earth's proud empires, pass away:
Thy kingdom stands, and grows forever, till all Thy creatures own Thy sway.

Text: John Ellerton, 1870 (1826-1893).

Music: Clement C. Scholefield (1839-1904)

FINAL RESPONSES

Edward Woodall Naylor (1867-1934)

Cantor The Lord be with you.

Choir And with thy spirit.

Cantor Let us bless the Lord.

Choir Thanks be to God.

PSALM 150 IN PROCESSION

Howard Talbot (1865-1928)

Praise God in his holy temple, praise him in the firmament of his power.

Praise him in his mighty acts: praise him for his excellent greatness.

Praise him with the blast of the ram's horn; praise him with lyre and harp.

Praise him with timbrel and dance: praise him with strigs and pipe.

Praise him with resounding cymbals: praise him with loud clanging cymbals.

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Hallelujah!

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.

Please remain standing as the clergy and choir process out during the organ voluntary, which is the conclusion of the service.

VOLUNTARY

Introduction and Passacaglia in D minor

Max Reger (1873-1916)

Eric Pickford, *organ*

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