

AND MARY SAID,

My soul magnifies the Lord,  
and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior;  
for he has looked with favor  
on the lowliness of his servant.  
Surely, from now on all generations  
will call me blessed;  
for the Mighty One has done  
great things for me,  
and holy is his name.  
His mercy is for those who fear him  
from generation to generation.  
He has shown strength with his arm;  
he has scattered the proud  
in the thoughts of their hearts.  
He has brought down the  
powerful from their thrones,  
and lifted up the lowly;  
he has filled the hungry with good things,  
and sent the rich away empty.  
He has helped his servant Israel  
in remembrance of his mercy,  
according to the promise he  
made to our ancestors,  
to Abraham & to his descendants forever.

# EPIPHANY†

Seattle

CHORAL EVENSONG

JANUARY 7, 2024

5:30 pm

Welcome to this service of Choral Evensong. Choral Evensong has its roots in the ancient monastic offices of Vespers and Compline, from which it retains a framework in which prayers are chanted, Scripture is read, and canticles (biblical songs) are sung in response to the lessons. Since the sixteenth century, Evensong has provided a daily opportunity for stillness, contemplation, prayer, and praise in the cathedrals, chapels, and great parish churches of England. Today it is sung regularly throughout the Anglican communion (of which the Episcopal Church is a part). The congregation adds its prayer to the offering of the choir, and is encouraged to join heartily in the speaking of responses and the singing of hymns.



# CHORAL EVENSONG

## THE VOLUNTARY

*At the sound of the bell, all rise as able.*

## THE PROCESSION

### INTROIT: *Omnis de Saba venient*

*Jacob Handl (1550-91)*

All they from Saba shall come,  
bringing gold and frankincense:  
and shewing forth praise to the Lord.

*(Sung in Latin)*

## OPENING SENTENCES

*Officiant* Seek him that made the Pleiades and Orion, that turneth deep darkness into the morning, and darkeneth the day into night; that calleth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon the face of the earth: The Lord is his Name.

Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

## THE PRECES

*Setting by Jessica French*

*Cantor* O Lord, open thou our lips.  
*Choir* And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

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

*Sung by all as the candles are lit.*

**PHOS HILARON: Hymn 25—O gracious Light, Lord Jesus Christ**

*The Eighth Tune*

1 O gra - cious Light, Lord Je - sus Christ, in  
2 Now sun - set comes, but light shines forth, the  
3 Wor - thy are you of end - less praise, O

you the Fa - ther's glo - ry shone. Im - mor - tal, ho - ly,  
lamps are lit to pierce the night. Praise Fa - ther, Son, and  
Son of God, Life - giv - ing Lord; where - fore you are through

blest is he, and blest are you, his ho - ly Son.  
Spi - rit: God who dwells in the e - ter - nal light.  
all the earth and in the high - est heaven a - dored.

*The people are seated.*

**PSALM 2: Quare fremuerunt gentes?**

*Chant: Edward Naylor*

Why do the heathen so furiously rage together \*  
and why do the people image a vain thing?

The kings of the earth stand up, and the rulers take counsel together \*  
against the Lord, and against his Anointed.

Let us break their bonds asunder \*  
and cast away their cords from us.

He that dwelleth in heaven shall laugh them to scorn \*  
the Lord shall have them in derision.

Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath \*  
and vex them in his sore displeasure.

Yet have I set my King \*  
upon my holy hill of Sion.

I will preach the law, whereof the Lord hath said unto me \*  
Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee.

Desire of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance \*  
and the utmost parts of the earth for thy possession.

Thou shalt bruise them with a rod of iron \*  
and break them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

Be wise now therefore, O ye kings \*  
be learned, ye that are judges of the earth.

Serve the Lord in fear \*  
and rejoice unto him with reverence.

Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and so ye perish from the right way \*  
if his wrath be kindled, (yea, but a little,) blessed are all they that put their trust in him.

*The people stand for the Gloria Patri.*

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.

*All are seated.*

### **THE FIRST LESSON: Genesis 1:1-2:3**

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, 'Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.' So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, 'Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.' And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, 'Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.' And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, 'Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.' And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, 'Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.' So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, 'Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.' And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, 'Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.' And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, 'Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.'

So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.' God said, 'See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.' And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

*The people remain seated.*

**THE MAGNIFICAT: Evening Service in A**

*Herbert Sumsion*

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 showed 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 remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel,  
As he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.

*The people stand for the Gloria Patri.*

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.

*All are seated.*

**THE SECOND LESSON: John 1:29-34**

The next day he saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.'

*The people remain seated.*

**THE NUNC DIMITTIS: Evening Service in A**

*Sumsion*

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.

*The people stand for the Gloria Patri.*

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.

*All remain standing and chant the creed.*

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

**All:** 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 RESPONSES

*Setting by French*

*Cantor* The Lord be with you.

*Choir* And with thy Spirit.

*Cantor* Let us pray.

*The people kneel.*

*Choir* 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.**

*Cantor* O Lord, shew 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 God.

*Cantor* O God, make clean our hearts within us.

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

## THE COLLECTS

*Cantor* Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan didst proclaim him thy beloved Son and anoint him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

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 Saviour. Amen.

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 thine only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

*The people are seated.*

## THE WELCOME

*During the following anthem, a collection is taken for the Music Fund at Epiphany. The Music Fund exists to provide the resources necessary to accomplish our mission of excellence in sacred music for the city of Seattle. You may contribute by using the QR code here, or by cash or check. Gifts of stock may be made by contacting Pam Demian at [pdemian@epiphanyseattle.org](mailto:pdemian@epiphanyseattle.org). This evening's service of Choral Evensong is funded directly by your support, and we thank you in advance for your generosity. Gifts of any size are needed and appreciated.*



*Sung by the choir.*

## THE ANTHEM: *Fix your eyes upon the star*

*French*

Lift your heavy heads, O sages,  
And look to the west,  
Where appears a star  
Brighter by far  
Than any in all the firmament.

Leave your sacred fires, O Magi,  
and look to the west;  
Follow the light  
That banishes night  
And sets all things upon paths anew.

Fix your eyes upon the star;  
Let its light become your guide.  
Long have you waited for such a sign  
That blazes now in the western sky!

Linger not in darkness, my brothers,  
Follow me into the west.  
Take up your harps and sing, my sisters,  
Sing as ones now blessed;  
For this star portends  
A beginning, and an end,  
The birth into our weary world  
Of Hope.

—Charles Anthony Silvestri



All stand.

## THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

*All* 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 thou hast made.  
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 honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

## A PRAYER OF SAINT CHRYSOSTOM

*Officiant* 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.

## THE BLESSING

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*All* And with thy Spirit.

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.

*All* Thanks be to God.

*Officiant* Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen.

HYMN 126: *The people who in darkness walked*

Dundee

1 The peo - ple who in dark - ness walked have seen a glo - rious light;  
2 To hail thy ris - ing, Sun of life, the ga - thering na - tions come,  
3 To us the prom-ised Child is born, to us the Son is given;  
4 His name shall be the Prince of Peace for ev - er - more a - dored,  
5 His power in - creas - ing still shall spread, his reign no end shall know;

1 on them broke forth the heaven - ly dawn who dwelt in death and night.  
2 joy - ous as when the reap - ers bear their har - vest trea - sures home.  
3 him shall the tribes of earth o - bey, and all the hosts of heaven.  
4 the Won - der - ful, the Coun - sel - lor, the might - y God and Lord.  
5 jus - tice shall guard his throne a - bove, and peace a - bound be - low.

*The people remain standing as the procession exits the church.*

*You are invited to a reception in the chapel.*

***Serving this evening***

Brad Neary, *President*

Zachary Hemenway, *Director of Music*

Julian Petrallia, *Assistant Director of Music*

*The Epiphany Choir*

Diane Carlisle, *Thurifer*

Travis Salisbury, *Host*

## Offerings at Epiphany

### **Adult Formation | Sundays (except First Sundays, when there is a brunch) | 10:00 am | Great Hall**

Join others for an hour of learning. Topics vary each week from spiritual formation, human interest, current affairs, and more.

### **Choral Evensong | Sundays | 5:30–6:30 pm | Church and YouTube**

Sung at the close of day in cathedrals and churches throughout the world, Choral Evensong is a service of Evening Prayer, derived from the ancient offices of Vespers and Compline. The choir sings the traditional evening prayers of the church that have been offered for centuries, while the congregation listens, joins in the hymns, and adds their own prayers to those of the choir.

### **C. S. Lewis Minyan | Thursdays | 8:40–9:40 am | Christie House Library and Zoom**

*Jonathan Roberts*

The C. S. Lewis minyan is reading *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*. This minyan meets in person and online. If you would like to be on the email distribution list and receive notes each week or you would like the Zoom link please email Jonathan Roberts at [Jonro@rprime.com](mailto:Jonro@rprime.com).

### **All Threads Together | Thursdays | 10:00–noon | Christie House Library**

Bring your latest needle craft project to our weekly meetings of fellowship and fun. We work on individual projects as well as prayer shawls and hats for local ministries. All are welcome!

### **Zoom Bible Study | Thursdays | 11:00–noon | Zoom**

Join other parishioners from Epiphany and parishioners from St. John's in Essex, Connecticut, for a Zoom-only study class on the Bible. This class will look in depth at some of the stories from the previous week's reading from the *Year in the Bible*. Please contact Lisa Ozaeta at [lisa@epiphanyseattle.org](mailto:lisa@epiphanyseattle.org) for information and the Zoom link.

### **Bible Study | Fridays | 10:30–11:30 am | Great Hall and Zoom**

*The Rev. Doyt Conn, Jr.*

The Bible is the core document that defines the framework in which followers of Jesus live. And so, this class is not just about becoming familiar with the Bible, it is about unpacking it and pulling it apart and seeking out links and allusions and associations between different parts of the Bible. This Bible study is a journey into words and meaning and characters and the context behind them. We will be looking at stories that align with our *Year in the Bible* readings. Come be part of this biblical quest of Christian meaning, understanding, and relevance with the Rev. Doyt Conn. All are welcome. Contact Diane Carlisle at [dcarlisle@epiphanyseattle.org](mailto:dcarlisle@epiphanyseattle.org) for information and the Zoom link.

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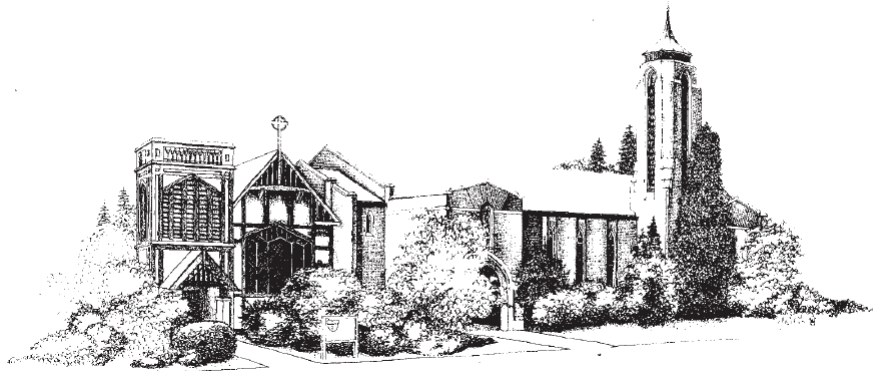
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you have a place at Epiphany.