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CHORAL EVENSONG

MARCH 17, 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.

Holy Week Checklist

Palm Sunday-March 24 | 8:45 &11:00 am

- Arrive at church 10 minutes before the service to get a palm branch for the procession into the Church.
- Bring a branch you have cut at home, if you prefer.
- Take some palm crosses home with you at the end of the service to keep or deliver to a friend unable to attend Church
- Attend 5:30 Evensong

Monday in Holy Week-March 25 | 7:30 pm

□ Stations of the Cross in the Chapel

Tuesday in Holy Week-March 26 | 7:30 pm

□ Taizé Service in the Church

Wednesday in Holy Week-March 27 | 7:30 pm

Tenebrae in the Church

Maundy Thursday—March 28 | Agape Meal at 6:30 pm in the Great Hall Liturgy at 7:30 pm in the Church Watchnight Vigil in the Chapel

- □ Sign up to bring something to the Agape meal: You are invited to bring soup, bread, olives, grape juice, or sparkling water to share.
- □ If you are planning to have your feet washed as part of the Maundy Thursday Liturgy, please be sure to wear shoes and socks that are easy to remove. No nylons, please.
- Sign up in the back of the Church for an hour or more of prayer in the Chapel as we keep watch with Jesus throughout the night. Feel free to just show up too; we just want to make sure all times are accounted for.

Good Friday—March 29 | Liturgy at 7:30 pm in the Church Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) after the service

- □ Fast until after the Good Friday Liturgy
- Participate in the Good Friday plunge
- Read the Gospels from The Saint John's Bible in the Fireside Room
- Participate in the private and confidential Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) in the Church or Chapel after the 7:30 pm service

Holy Saturday-March 30

Holy Saturday Liturgy 9:15 am in the Chapel

The Easter Vigil—March 30 | 8:00 pm *NOTE: There will be incense at this service.*

- □ Arrive early and meet in the Garden of Remembrance, east of the Chapel
- □ Bring bells to ring when the Church erupts in Easter joy! Or borrow one from the Church

Easter Day-March 31 | 8:45 & 11:00 am

- Park far away or walk to Church to make room for our guests!
- □ Sign up to bring an egg dish, fruit, orange juice, and other brunch items to the Potluck Brunch between services
- □ Easter Egg Hunt beginning in the Courtyard at **10:30 am**
- □ Attend Evensong at 5:30 pm in the Church

CHORAL EVENSONG

THE VOLUNTARY: Fantazia of foure parts

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

THE PROCESSION

INTROIT: O Jesu Christe

O Jesus Christ, have mercy on me, When I languish with grief. Lord, thou art my hope. Unto thee have I cried: have mercy on me.

(Sung in Latin)

OPENING SENTENCES

Officiant Rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God; for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil.

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

THE PRECES

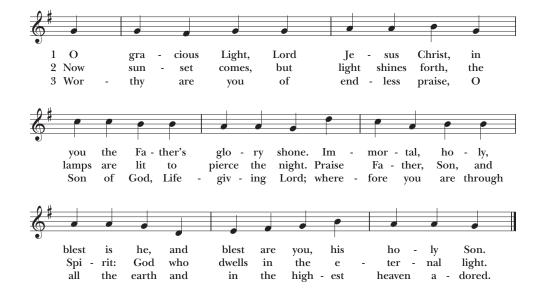
Setting by William Smith

- 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.

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.

Praise ye the Lord. The Lord's name be praised. Orlando Gibbons

Jacquet de Mantua



The people are seated. **PSALM 142: Voce mea ad Dominum**

I cried unto the Lord with my voice * yea, even unto the Lord did I make my supplication.

I poured out my complaints before him * and shewed him of my trouble.

When my spirit was in heaviness thou knewest my path * in the way wherein I walked have they privily laid a snare for me.

I looked also upon my right hand * and saw there was no man that would know me.

I had no place to flee unto * and no man cared for my soul.

I cried unto thee, O Lord, and said * Thou art my hope, and my portion in the land of the living.

Consider my complaint * for I am brought very low.

O deliver me from my persecutors * for they are too strong for me.

Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks unto thy Name * which thing if thou wilt grant me, then shall the righteous resort unto my company.

PSALM 143: Domine, exaudi

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and consider my desire * hearken unto me for thy truth and righteousness' sake.

And enter not into judgement with thy servant for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

Chant: C. Hylton Stewart

Chant: F. A. J. Hervey

For the enemy hath persecuted my soul; he hath smitten my life down to the ground * he hath laid me in the darkness, as the men that have been long dead.

Therefore is my spirit vexed within me * and my heart within me is desolate.

Yet do I remember the time past; I muse upon all thy works * yea, I exercise myself in the works of thy hands.

I stretch forth my hands unto thee * my soul gaspeth unto thee as a thirsty land.

Hear me, O Lord, and that soon, for my spirit waxeth faint * hide not thy face from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.

O let me hear thy loving-kindness betimes in the morning, for in thee is my trust * shew thou me the way that I should walk in, for I lift up my soul unto thee.

Deliver me, O Lord, from mine enemies * for I flee unto thee to hide me.

Teach me to do the thing that pleaseth thee, for thou art my God * let thy loving Spirit lead me forth into the land of righteousness.

Quicken me, O Lord, for thy Name's sake * and for thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble.

And of thy goodness slay mine enemies * and destroy all them that vex my soul; for I am thy servant.

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: Exodus 3:16-4:12

Go and assemble the elders of Israel, and say to them, "The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, has appeared to me, saying: I have given heed to you and to what has been done to you in Egypt. I declare that I will bring you up out of the misery of Egypt, to the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, a land flowing with milk and honey." They will listen to your voice; and you and the elders of Israel shall go to the king of Egypt and say to him, "The Lord, the God of the Hebrews, has met with us; let us now go a three days' journey into the wilderness, so that we may sacrifice to the Lord our God." I know, however, that the king of Egypt will not let you go unless compelled by a mighty hand. So I will stretch out my hand and strike Egypt with all my wonders that I will perform in it; after that he will let you go. I will bring this people into such favour with the Egyptians that, when you go, you will not go empty-handed; each woman shall ask her neighbour and any woman living in the neighbour's house for jewellery of silver and of gold, and clothing, and you shall put them on your sons and on your daughters; and so you shall plunder the Egyptians.'

Then Moses answered, 'But suppose they do not believe me or listen to me, but say, "The Lord did not appear to you." ' The Lord said to him, 'What is that in your hand?' He said, 'A staff.' And he said, 'Throw it on the ground.' So he threw the staff on the ground, and it became a snake; and Moses drew back from it. Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Reach out your hand, and seize it by the tail'—so he reached out his hand and grasped it, and it became a staff in his hand— 'so that they may believe that the Lord, the God of their ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has appeared to you.'

Again, the Lord said to him, 'Put your hand inside your cloak.' He put his hand into his cloak; and when he took it out, his hand was leprous, as white as snow. Then God said, 'Put your hand back into your cloak'—so he put his hand back into his cloak, and when he took it out, it was restored like the rest of his body— 'If they will not believe you or heed the first sign, they may believe the second sign. If they will not believe even these two signs or heed you, you shall take some water from the Nile and pour it on the dry ground; and the water that you shall take from the Nile will become blood on the dry ground.'

But Moses said to the Lord, 'O my Lord, I have never been eloquent, neither in the past nor even now that you have spoken to your servant; but I am slow of speech and slow of tongue.' Then the Lord said to him, 'Who gives speech to mortals? Who makes them mute or deaf, seeing or blind? Is it not I, the Lord? Now go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you are to speak.'

The people remain seated.

THE MAGNIFICAT: Second Service

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 8:46-59

Jesus said, 'Which of you convicts me of sin? If I tell the truth, why do you not believe me? Whoever is from God hears the words of God. The reason you do not hear them is that you are not from God.'

They answered him, 'Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?' Jesus answered, 'I do not have a demon; but I honour my Father, and you dishonour me. Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is one who seeks it and he is the judge. Very truly, I tell you, whoever keeps my word will never see death.' Then they said to him, 'Now we know that you have a demon. Abraham died, and so did the prophets; yet you say, "Whoever keeps my word will never taste death." Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? The prophets also died. Who do you claim to be?' Jesus answered, 'If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, he of whom you say, "He is our God", though you do not know him. But I know him; if I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you. But I do know him and I keep his word. Your ancestor Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day; he saw it and was glad.' Then the Jews said to him, 'You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?' Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, before Abraham was, I am.' So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

The people remain seated. THE NUNC DIMITTIS: Second Service

Byrd

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. William Byrd

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

Cantor	The Lord	be with	you.
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- *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.

CHOIL	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.

Setting by Smith

THE COLLECTS

Cantor O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.n.

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. 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: Lord, let me know mine end

Lord, let me know mine end, and the number of my days, that I may be certified how long I have to live. Behold, thou hast made my days as it were a span long, and mine age is even as nothing in respect of thee; And verily every man living is altogether vanity. For man walketh in a vain shadow, and disquieteth himself in vain; he heapeth up riches, and cannot tell who shall gather them. And now, Lord, what is my hope? truly my hope is even in thee. Hear my prayer, O Lord, and with thine ears consider my calling; hold not thy peace at my tears. O spare me a little, that I may recover my strength, before I go hence, and be no more seen. Maurice Greene

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.**



The people remain standing as the procession exits the church.

You are invited to a reception in the chapel.

Serving this evening Kelli Martin, Presider Zachary Hemenway, Director of Music Julian Petrallia, Assistant Director of Music The Epiphany Choir Diane Carlisle, Thurifer Wyatt Smith, Host

March 23: Feast of St. Lazarus



9:00: Light breakfast in the Great Hall followed by the Story of Lazarus at 9:30 am.10:30 am: Holy Eucharist in the Church.

On the liturgical calendar in the Orthodox Church, the day before Palm Sunday is designated as the Feast of Saint Lazarus. Some of you may know that our Rector, The Rev. Doyt Conn, has a particular academic interest in Lazarus, and maintains that Lazarus is the author of the Gospel of John. Come and hear Doyt teach about Lazarus and defend his adherence through evidence within the Gospel of John. This light breakfast is jointly sponsored by the Men's and Women's Ministries at Epiphany.

Breakfast will be laid out at 9:00 am and Doyt will teach from 9:30 am to 10:15 am. At 10:30 am we will celebrate Holy Eucharist in the Church. This will be a wonderful way to begin Holy Week at Epiphany.

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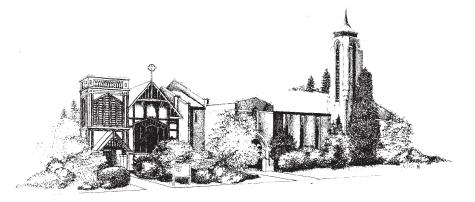
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Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you have a place at Epiphany.