

# EPIPHANY†

CHORAL EVENSONG
MARCH 3, 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: Variations sur un thème de Clément Jannequin

Jehan Alain

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

## THE PROCESSION

INTROIT: I sought my God William Bradley Roberts

I sought my God and my God I could not find. I sought my soul and my soul eluded me. I sought to serve my neighbor sore in need, And I found all three: my God, my soul, and thee.

## **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 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;

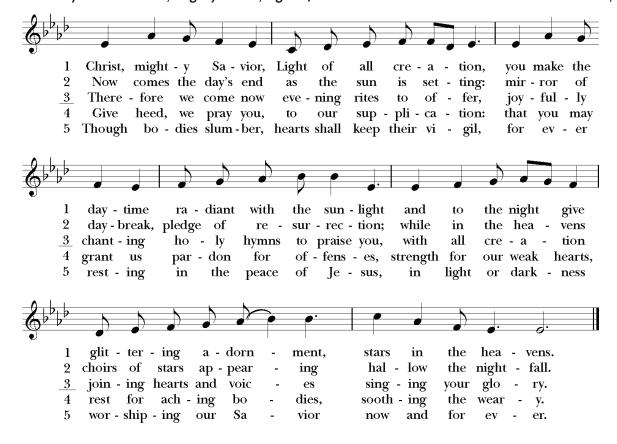
Choir As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be;

world without end. Amen.

Cantor Praise ye the Lord.

Choir The Lord's name be praised.

Chants: Samuel Wesley



The people are seated.

## **PSALM 42: Quemadmodum**

Like as the hart desireth the water-brooks \* so longeth my soul after thee, O God.

My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God \* when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

My tears have been my meat day and night \* while they daily say unto me, Where is now thy God?

Now when I think thereupon, I pour out my heart by myself \* for I went with the multitude, and brought them forth into the house of God;

In the voice of praise and thanksgiving \* among such as keep holy-day.

Why art thou so full of heaviness, O my soul \* and why art thou so disquieted within me?

Put thy trust in God \*

for I will yet give him thanks for the help of his countenance.

My God, my soul is vexed within me \*

therefore will I remember thee concerning the land of Jordan, and the little hill of Hermon.

One deep calleth another, because of the noise of the water-pipes \* all thy waves and storms are gone over me.

The Lord hath granted his loving-kindness in the day-time \* and in the night-season did I sing of him, and made my prayer unto the God of my life.

I will say unto the God of my strength, Why hast thou forgotten me \* why go I thus heavily, while the enemy oppresseth me?

My bones are smitten as under as with a sword \* while mine enemies that trouble me cast me in the teeth;

Namely, while they say daily unto me \* Where is now thy God?

Why art thou so vexed, O my soul \* and why art thou so disquieted within me?

O put thy trust in God \* for I will yet thank him, which is the help of my countenance, and my God.

#### **PSALM 43: Judica me, Deus**

Give sentence with me, O God, and defend my cause against the ungodly people \* O deliver me from the deceitful and wicked man.

For thou art the God of my strength, why hast thou put me from thee \* and why go I so heavily, while the enemy oppresseth me?

O send out thy light and thy truth, that they may lead me \* and bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy dwelling.

And that I may go unto the altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness \* and upon the harp will I give thanks unto thee, O God, my God.

Why art thou so heavy, O my soul \* and why art thou so disquieted within me?

O put thy trust in God \*

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.

for I will yet give him thanks, which is the help of my countenance, and my God.

All are seated.

#### THE FIRST LESSON: Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?' But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' So Moses cried out to the Lord, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' The Lord said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the Lord, saying, 'Is the Lord among us or not?'

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 4:5-26, 39-42

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink'. (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.'

Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.' The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!' The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.' The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is coming' (who is called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' Jesus said to her, 'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.'

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, 'He told me everything I have ever done.' So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there for two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, 'It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the world.'

#### THE NUNC DIMITTIS: Mount St. Alban Service

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

Almighty God, who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. 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. 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: Like as the hart

Herbert Howells

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God.

My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God.

When shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

My tears have been my meat day and night, while they daily say unto me, 
"Where is now thy God?"

#### 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.

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.

#### 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*.

# 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 *Iisa@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* for information and the Zoom link.

Serving this evening

James Potts, Presider
Zachary Hemenway, Director of Music
Julian Petrallia, Assistant Director of Music
The Epiphany Choir
Diane Carlisle, Thurifer
Travis Salisbury, Host

The Rev. Doyt L. Conn, Jr. Jad Baaklini Karen Berry

The Rev. Lex Breckinridge Diane Carlisle

Pam Demian Amanda Eap Bryan Fiehler John Garlid Zachary Hemenway Dani Lugotoff The Rev. Lisa Ozaeta Julian Petrallia Gieth Phou Laura Rodde Laura Sargent The Rev. Pam Tinsley Rector

Director of Communications Parish Administrator Assisting Priest Exec. Assistant to the Rector and Director of Worship Business Administrator Parish Life Minister Audio Visual Minister Music Administrator Director of Music Campus Care Manager Associate Rector Assistant Director of Music

Sexton

Chief of Staff Music Department Coordinator Associate Priest

# Volunteer Ministry Leaders

Ann Beck YWCA Cleanup & Teen Feed

Chaplain Mirabella Diana Bender Discernment Susan Bisyak Altar Guild

Holly Boone Service & Outreach Terry Carlisle Operation Nightwatch

Phil Carter Ushers **Jenny Cummins** Tiny Homes

Karen Forbes Women's Retreat Group Alice Foreman Flower Ministry Michael Fraas Chaplain Parkshore Sherman Griffin Music at Epiphany Clip Kniffin Men's Ministry Pete Melin Tinv Homes

Chaplain Washington Park **Bethany Miller** 

Tower

Robin Mondares Chaplain Aegis Nancy Morrow Parkshore Ministry Laurel Nesholm

Art Guild

Elizabeth Roberts Women's Retreat Group Jonathan Roberts C. S. Lewis Minyan Lorelle Shearer Meals Ministry Trish Stone All Threads Together

To find out more about all of our ministries go to epiphanyseattle.org/engage.

#### Volunteer Professionals

Bill Forbes Doug Marshall Mary McGuire Doug Oles Susan Pitchford **Buildings and Grounds** Treasurer Children's Sermon Chancellor Off-site Anchorite

# Vestry

Dwayne Shearer - Senior Warden Mary Kimball - Junior Warden Ron Lee - Member at Large

Lee Anderson-Brooke Barbara Cairns Jodi Markus Wendy Sefcik Alec Williamson

George Brumder John Cary Barb Marshall Lesa Sroufe



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