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**CHORAL EVENSONG** 

JULY 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.

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#### THE VOLUNTARY: Rhosymedre

Ralph Vaughan Williams

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

#### THE PROCESSION

#### **OPENING SENTENCES**

*Officiant* Jesus said, "I am the light of the world; he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."

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

#### THE PRECES

**Plainsong Setting** 

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 Choir	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.
Cantor	Praise ye the Lord.
Choir	The Lord's name be praised.

The people are seated.

#### PSALM 111: Confitebor tibi

I will give thanks unto the Lord with my whole heart \* secretly among the faithful, and in the congregation.

The works of the Lord are great \* sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.

His work is worthy to be praised, and had in honour  $^*$  and his righteousness endureth for ever.

The merciful and gracious Lord hath so done his marvellous works \* that they ought to be had in remembrance.

He hath given meat unto them that fear him \* he shall ever be mindful of his covenant.

He hath shewed his people the power of his works \* that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.

The works of his hands are verity and judgement \* all his commandments are true.

They stand fast for ever and ever \* and are done in truth and equity.

He sent redemption unto his people \* he hath commanded his covenant for ever; holy and revered is his Name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom \* a good understanding have all they that do thereafter; the praise of it endureth 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 FIRST LESSON: Numbers 27:12-23

The Lord said to Moses, 'Go up this mountain of the Abarim range, and see the land that I have given to the Israelites. When you have seen it, you also shall be gathered to your people, as your brother Aaron was, because you rebelled against my word in the wilderness of Zin when the congregation quarrelled with me. You did not show my holiness before their eyes at the waters.' (These are the waters of Meribath-kadesh in the wilderness of Zin.) Moses spoke to the Lord, saying, 'Let the Lord, the God of the spirits of all flesh, appoint someone over the congregation who shall go out before them and come in before them, who shall lead them out and bring them in, so that the congregation of the Lord may not be like sheep without a shepherd.' So the Lord said to Moses, 'Take Joshua son of Nun, a man in whom is the spirit, and lay your hand upon him; have him stand before Eleazar the priest and all the congregation, and commission him in their sight. You shall give him some of your authority, so that all the congregation of the Lord; at his word they shall stand before Eleazar the priest, who shall inquire for him by the decision of the Urim before the Lord; at his word they shall go out, and at his word they shall come in, both he and all the Israelites with him, the whole congregation.' So Moses did as the Lord commanded him. He took Joshua and had him stand before Eleazar the priest and the whole congregation; he laid his hands on him and commissioned him—as the Lord had directed through Moses.

#### The people remain seated. THE MAGNIFICAT: Evening Service in C

Ralph Vaughan Williams

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: Mark 1:14-20

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fish for people.' And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

#### The people remain seated. THE NUNC DIMITTIS: Evening Service in C

Vaughan Williams

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

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. **Plainsong Setting** 

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* O God, who hast taught us to keep all thy commandments by loving thee and our neighbour: Grant us the grace of thy Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to thee with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same 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: Examine me, O Lord

William Boyce

Examine me, O Lord, and prove me: try out my reins and my heart. For thy loving-kindness is ever before mine eyes: and I will walk in thy truth.

Silence is kept after the anthem.

#### 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.
<b>All</b>	And with thy Spirit.
Officiant	Let us bless the Lord.
<b>All</b>	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>

*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 back of the church and on the front lawn.

*Serving this evening* Diane Carlisle, *Presider* Julian Petrallia, *Assistant Director of Music* The Epiphany Choir Dawn Friend, Host

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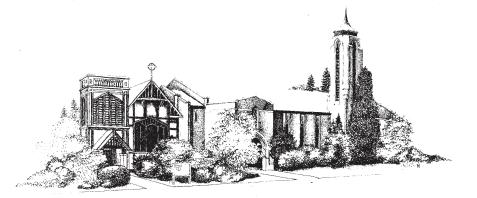
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