

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

AUGUST 11, 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: *Evensong*

*Margaret Sandresky*

*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

*Setting: Malcolm Archer*

*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.

*The people are seated.*

**PSALM 46: *Deus noster refugium***

*Chant: Martin Luther*

God is our hope and strength \*  
a very present help in trouble.

Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved \*  
and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea.

Though the waters thereof rage and swell \*  
and though the mountains shake at the tempest of the same.

The rivers of the flood thereof shall make glad the city of God \*  
the holy place of the tabernacle of the most Highest.

God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed \*  
God shall help her, and that right early.

The heathen make much ado, and the kingdoms are moved \*  
but God hath shewed his voice, and the earth shall melt away.

The Lord of hosts is with us \*  
the God of Jacob is our refuge.

O come hither, and behold the works of the Lord \*  
what destruction he hath brought upon the earth.

He maketh wars to cease in all the world \*  
he breaketh the bow, and knappeth the spear in sunder, and burneth the chariots in the fire.

Be still then, and know that I am God \*  
I will be exalted among the heathen, and I will be exalted in the earth.

The Lord of hosts is with us \*  
the God of Jacob is our refuge.

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: *Ezekiel 1:1-5, 24-28***

In the thirtieth year, in the fourth month, on the fifth day of the month, as I was among the exiles by the river Chebar, the heavens were opened, and I saw visions of God. On the fifth day of the month (it was the fifth year of the exile of King Jehoiachin), the word of the Lord came to the priest Ezekiel son of Buzi, in the land of the Chaldeans by the river Chebar; and the hand of the Lord was on him there.

As I looked, a stormy wind came out of the north: a great cloud with brightness around it and fire flashing forth continually, and in the middle of the fire, something like gleaming amber. In the middle of it was something like four living creatures. This was their appearance: they were of human form. When they moved, I heard the sound of their wings like the sound of mighty waters, like the thunder of the Almighty, a sound of tumult like the sound of an army; when they stopped, they let down their wings. And there came a voice from above the dome over their heads; when they stopped, they let down their wings.

And above the dome over their heads there was something like a throne, in appearance like sapphire;\* and seated above the likeness of a throne was something that seemed like a human form. Upwards from what appeared like the loins I saw something like gleaming amber, something that looked like fire enclosed all round; and downwards from what looked like the loins I saw something that looked like fire, and there was a splendour all round. Like the bow in a cloud on a rainy day, such was the appearance of the splendour all round. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the Lord.

When I saw it, I fell on my face, and I heard the voice of someone speaking.

*The people remain seated.*

**THE MAGNIFICAT: Berkshire Service**

*Archer*

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 4:35-41**

On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, 'Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?' He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?' And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?'

*The people remain seated.*

**THE NUNC DIMITTIS: Berkshire Service**

*Archer*

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**

*Archer*

*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* Grant to us, Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot exist without thee, may by thee be enabled to live according to thy will; 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](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: *Evening Hymn*

*Henry Purcell*

Now, now that the sun hath veil'd his light  
And bid the world goodnight;  
To the soft bed my body I dispose,  
But where shall my soul repose?  
Dear, dear God, even in Thy arms,  
And can there be any so sweet security!  
Then to thy rest, O my soul!  
And singing, praise the mercy  
That prolongs thy days.

Hallelujah!

*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.

*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 534: *God is working his purpose out*

Purpose

1 God is work - ing his pur - pose out as

2 From ut - most east to ut - most west, wher -

3 March we forth in the strength of God, with the

4 All we can do is noth - ing worth un -

*May be sung in a canon*

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ban - ner of Christ un - furled, that the light of the glo - rious

less God bless - es the deed; vain - ly we hope for the

pur - pose out, and the time is draw - ing near;

mes - sen - gers goes forth the voice of God;

gos - pel of truth may shine through - out the world;

har - vest - tide till God gives life to the seed; yet

near - er and near - er draws the time, the time that shall sure - ly

give ear to me, ye con - ti - nents, ye isles, give ear to

fight we the fight with sorrow and sin to set their cap - tives

near - er and near - er draws the time, the time that shall sure - ly

be, when the earth shall be filled with the glo - ry of God as the

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free, that the earth may be filled with the glo - ry of God as the

be, when the earth shall be filled with the glo - ry of God as the

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Final Ending

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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.



Wednesdays,  
September 11 - October 30  
(6:30 pm - 8:00 pm)

For over 100 years, Epiphany Seattle has been a place for nurturing the human spirit. While our foundation is Christian, our focus is the human soul. This is why we say: "Wherever you are on your spiritual journey you have a place at Epiphany." RELATA is for the spiritual, but not necessarily religious, designed to remind us that we are connected by our stories.

Come.  
Come again.  
Bring a friend.

## Conversation Connection Community



Scan the QR code or visit  
[EpiphanySeattle.org/RELATA](https://EpiphanySeattle.org/RELATA)  
to register or learn more.

### Who is RELATA for?

- Individuals who are ready to share their story, and excited to hear the stories of others;
- Individuals who are concerned that the wider community is more disconnected than connected;
- Individuals who like talking about spiritual things, and wrestling with big questions and life's mysteries;
- Individuals who love dinner conversations, are happy to meet new people, and don't mind considering ideas outside their comfort zone.

### Why RELATA?

All things are connected. We know this through science and our general observations. Yet, how we fit into this connected cosmos can feel uncertain. Sometimes we feel like we belong, sometimes we don't. Sometimes we aspire, and it doesn't quite work out. Sometimes we fall in love, then heartbreak hits us. Sometimes the operating system through which we create meaning fails us. Why should there be this uncertainty if all things are connected? RELATA is a way of exploring these paradoxes.

### What is RELATA?

RELATA is a series of eight conversations over a meal where people explore stories of belonging, achievement, love, and meaning that shape their lives. Then they wonder about the possibility that there may be something that holds it all together, and if such a thing exists, how does one access it? By the end of RELATA, the hope is that community has been enhanced by the authentic relationships that develop.

***Serving this evening***  
Kelli Martin, *Presider*  
Dr. Wyatt Smith, *Organist*  
*The Epiphany Choir*  
Mickey Pierce, *Host*

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