

EPIPHANY†

CHORAL EVENSONG

SEPTEMBER 8, 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

We invite you to help create the experience of silence before our service.

Our hope is to calm our hearts as we prepare to enter into an intensity of shared presence.

Thank you for turning off all electronic devices.

THE VOLUNTARY

At the sound of the bell, all stand.

THE PROCESSION

INTROIT: Present yourselves as a living sacrifice

James O'Donnell

Present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable unto God.

Hold fast to what is good; be fervent in spirit, rejoice in hope.

Consider what is noble in the sight of all.

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 by Philip Moore

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;

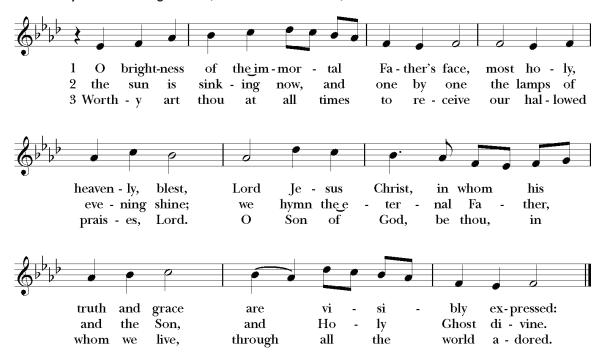
Choir As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be;

world without end. Amen.

Cantor Praise ye the Lord.

Choir The Lord's name be praised.

Chants: C. V. Stanford



The people are seated.

PSALM 103: Benedic, anima mea

Praise the Lord, O my soul * and all that is within me praise his holy Name.

Praise the Lord, O my soul * and forget not all his benefits;

Who forgiveth all thy sin * and healeth all thine infirmities;

Who saveth thy life from destruction * and crowneth thee with mercy and loving-kindness;

Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things * making thee young and lusty as an eagle.

The Lord executeth righteousness and judgement * for all them that are oppressed with wrong.

He shewed his ways unto Moses * his works unto the children of Israel.

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy * long-suffering, and of great goodness.

He will not alway be chiding * neither keepeth he his anger for ever.

He hath not dealt with us after our sins * nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses.

For look how high the heaven is in comparison of the earth * so great is his mercy also toward them that fear him.

Look how wide also the east is from the west * so far hath he set our sins from us.

Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children * even so is the Lord merciful unto them that fear him.

For he knoweth whereof we are made * he remembereth that we are but dust.

The days of man are but as grass * for he flourisheth as a flower of the field.

For as soon as the wind goeth over it, it is gone * and the place thereof shall know it no more.

But the merciful goodness of the Lord endureth for ever and ever upon them that fear him * and his righteousness upon children's children;

Even upon such as keep his covenant * and think upon his commandments to do them.

The Lord hath prepared his seat in heaven * and his kingdom ruleth over all.

O praise the Lord, ye angels of his, ye that excel in strength * ye that fulfil his commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his words.

O praise the Lord, all ye his hosts * ye servants of his that do his pleasure.

O speak good of the Lord, all ye works of his, in all places of his dominion * praise thou the Lord, O my soul.

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: Job 25: 1-6, 27:1-6

Bildad the Shuhite said: 'Dominion and fear are with God; he makes peace in his high heaven. Is there any number to his armies? Upon whom does his light not arise? How then can a mortal be righteous before God? How can one born of woman be pure? If even the moon is not bright and the stars are not pure in his sight, how much less a mortal, who is a maggot, and a human being, who is a worm!'

Job again took up his discourse and said: 'As God lives, who has taken away my right, and the Almighty, who has made my soul bitter, as long as my breath is in me and the spirit of God is in my nostrils, my lips will not speak falsehood, and my tongue will not utter deceit. Far be it from me to say that you are right; until I die I will not put away my integrity from me. I hold fast my righteousness, and will not let it go; my heart does not reproach me for any of my days.

THE MAGNIFICAT: St. Paul's Service

Herbert Howells

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.

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All are seated.

THE SECOND LESSON: Matthew 5:13-20

Jesus said: 'You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

'Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfil. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.'

The people remain seated.

THE NUNC DIMITTIS: St. Paul's Service

Howells

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 guick 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 Moore

Cantor The Lord be with you. Choir And with thy Spirit.

Cantor Let us pray.

The people kneel or sit.

Choir Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

All 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 us, O Lord, we pray thee, to trust in thee with all our heart; seeing that, as thou dost alway resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so thou dost not forsake those who make their boast of thy mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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: O Lord, support us

David Briggs

O Lord, support us all the day long of this troublous life, until the shades lengthen and the evening comes, the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over and our work is done; then Lord, in thy mercy, grant us safe lodging, a holy rest, and peace at the last, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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 All The Lord be with you.
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.

HYMN: O that I had a thousand voices

Mentzer



The people remain standing as the procession exits the church. You are invited to be seated for the conclusion of the voluntary or to exit quietly. Please join us for a reception in the chapel.

Serving this evening

Kelli Martin, Presider
Zachary Hemenway, Director of Music
Dr. Wyatt Smith, Organist
Epiphany Choir
Diane Carlisle, Thurifer
Mickey Pierce, Host
Amanda Eap, Parish Life Minister

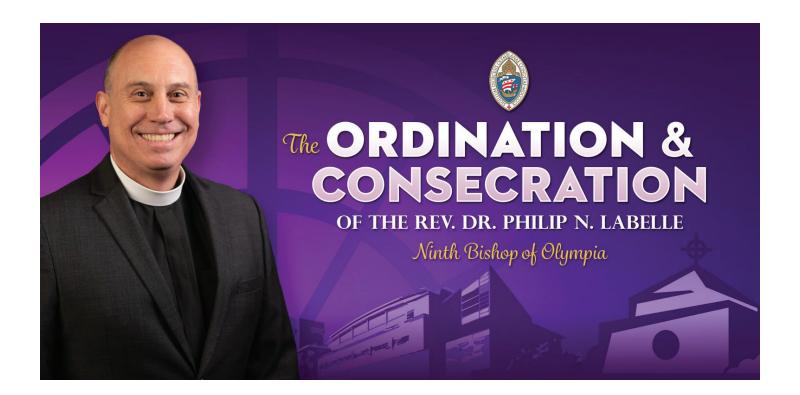
The Altar Flowers are Given to the Glory of God and in Remembrance of

Gilbert Anderson

from Mary Jane Anderson



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God willing and the people consenting,

The Reverend Dr.

Philip Noah LaBelle

will be ordained and consecrated a Bishop in the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and the Ninth Bishop of The Episcopal Diocese of Olympia

HOLY CROSS DAY **September 14, 2024** | **11:00AM**

CHIEF CONSECRATOR
The Most Reverend Michael B. Curry,

Presiding Bishop and Primate of the Episcopal Church

The Most Reverend Melissa M. Skelton and the Standing Committee request the honor of your presence at:

> **Meydenbauer Center** 11100 NE 6th Street Bellevue WA 98004

RSVP: See the reverse for times & events

BISHOPS:

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EVENTS

+ SEPTEMBER 14, SATURDAY

8:15 AM

Breakfast, Signing and Sealing of Certificate (Bishops & their spouses only)

11:00 AM

(Doors open at 9:30 AM) Liturgy of Ordination & Consecration

(Reception to follow)

Meydenbauer Center 11100 NE 6th Street Bellevue WA 98004

♣ SEPTEMBER 15, SUNDAY

4:30 PM

Seating of the Bishop (Reception to follow)

St. Mark's Cathedral 1245 10th Ave. E Seattle WA 98102

Please direct questions to bishoptransition@ecww.org

Weekly Offerings at Epiphany

Coffee Hour | Sundays | Following the Service | Great Hall

Join parishioners and visitors in the Great Hall for refreshments and fellowship.

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.

Chapel Open | Monday through Friday | 9:00 am-4:00 pm | Chapel

The chapel as a place for prayer is open during the week. Come by and sit in this sacred space. Occasionally the chapel will be closed for other events; during these times we will open the church.

C. S. Lewis Minyan | Thursdays | 8:40-9:40 am | Christie House Library and Zoom Jonathan Roberts

The C. S. Lewis Minyan will resume on Thursday, September 26 at 8:40 am. The Minyan meets in the Christie House Library, and people can attend via Zoom. The first book discussed will be *The Horse and His Boy*. After we visit Narnia, we'll spend a little time with T. S. Eliot with a set of readings curated by Kari Glover. If you would like to join the Minyan, please email Jonathan Roberts at *Jonro@rprime.com*. C. S. Lewis Minyan begins September 26.

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!

Bible Study | Fridays | 10:30-11:30 am | Christie House Library and Zoom

The Rev. Doyt Conn, Jr. and the Rev. Kate Wesch

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 do not rush things in this class, and furthermore, because of the slow pace and our theological orientation, you can drop in and quickly find your way, even if you haven't been attending the class. 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 **verger@epiphanyseattle.org** for information and the Zoom link. *Bible Study begins September 20, 2024*.

Adult Formation: Creation: It's Still Unfolding and We Have A Role To Play September 15, 2024 at 10:00 The Rev. Lex Breckinridge

How does the Bible describe the Creation of the universe? Is it a one-time event that is complete at the end of the "sixth day?" Or is the Creation story more interesting? Indeed, is there more than one Creation story in the Bible? Is Creation still unfolding? What role do we, the ones who are made in the image and likeness of God, have to play in this drama? We will unpack those questions and more at the opening Adult Forum on Sunday, September 15. Join Lex Breckinridge that morning as we open the Bible to discover these Creation stories along with our call to be co-creators with God in bringing God's awe-inspiring vision for Creation to fruition.

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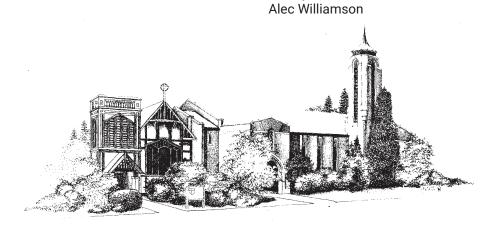
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