

EPIPHANY†

CHORAL EVENSONG

MARCH 30, 2025

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

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

THE PROCESSION

INTROIT: My eyes for beauty pine

Elizabeth Coxhead

My eyes for beauty pine, My soul for Goddës grace: No other care nor hope is mine, To heaven I turn my face.

One splendour thence is shed From all the stars above: 'Tis named when God's name is said, Tis Love, 'tis heavenly Love.

And every gentle heart, That burns with true desire, Is lit from eyes that mirror part

Of that celestial fire.

OPENING SENTENCES

Rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God; for he is gracious and merciful, Officiant

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 Philip Radcliffe

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.

Cantor Praise ye the Lord.

Choir The Lord's name be praised.

PHOS HILARON: Hymn 36—O gladsome Light, O grace of God the Father's face



The people are seated.

PSALM 107: Confitemini Domino

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious * and his mercy endureth for ever.

Let them give thanks whom the Lord hath redeemed * and delivered from the hand of the enemy;

And gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west * from the north, and from the south.

They went astray in the wilderness out of the way * and found no city to dwell in;

Hungry and thirsty * their soul fainted in them.

So they cried unto the Lord in their trouble * and he delivered them from their distress.

He led them forth by the right way * that they might go to the city where they dwelt.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

Chants: Thomas Attwood & George Elvey

For he satisfieth the empty soul * and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.

Such as sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death * being fast bound in misery and iron;

Because they rebelled against the words of the Lord * and lightly regarded the counsel of the most Highest;

He also brought down their heart through heaviness * they fell down, and there was none to help them.

So when they cried unto the Lord in their trouble * he delivered them out of their distress.

For he brought them out of darkness, and out of the shadow of death * and brake their bonds in sunder.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness * and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

For he hath broken the gates of brass * and smitten the bars of iron in sunder.

Foolish men are plagued for their offence * and because of their wickedness.

Their soul abhorred all manner of meat * and they were even hard at death's door.

So when they cried unto the Lord in their trouble * he delivered them out of their distress.

He sent his word, and healed them * and they were saved from their destruction.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness * and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

That they would offer unto him the sacrifice of thanksgiving * and tell out his works with gladness!

They that go down to the sea in ships * and occupy their business in great waters;

These men see the works of the Lord * and his wonders in the deep.

For at his word the stormy wind ariseth * which lifteth up the waves thereof.

They are carried up to the heaven, and down again to the deep * their soul melteth away because of the trouble.

They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man * and are at their wit's end.

So when they cry unto the Lord in their trouble * he delivereth them out of their distress.

For he maketh the storm to cease * so that the waves thereof are still.

Then are they glad, because they are at rest * and so he bringeth them unto the haven where they would be.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness * and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

That they would exalt him also in the congregation of the people * and praise him in the seat of the elders!

Who turneth the floods into a wilderness * and drieth up the water-springs.

A fruitful land maketh he barren * for the wickedness of them that dwell therein.

Again, he maketh the wilderness a standing water * and water-springs of a dry ground.

And there he setteth the hungry * that they may build them a city to dwell in;

That they may sow their land, and plant vineyards * to yield them fruits of increase.

He blesseth them, so that they multiply exceedingly * and suffereth not their cattle to decrease.

And again, when they are diminished, and brought low * through oppression, through any plague, or trouble;

Though he suffer them to be evil intreated through tyrants * and let them wander out of the way in the wilderness;

Yet helpeth he the poor out of misery * and maketh him households like a flock of sheep.

The righteous will consider this, and rejoice * and the mouth of all wickedness shall be stopped.

Whoso is wise will ponder these things * and they shall understand the loving-kindness of the Lord.

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: Micah 7:7-9

But as for me, I will look to the Lord, I will wait for the God of my salvation; my God will hear me. Do not rejoice over me, O my enemy; when I fall, I shall rise; when I sit in darkness, the Lord will be a light to me. I must bear the indignation of the Lord, because I have sinned against him, until he takes my side and executes judgement for me. He will bring me out to the light; I shall see his vindication.

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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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

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THE SECOND LESSON: Mark 8:11-21

The Pharisees came and began to argue with Jesus, asking him for a sign from heaven, to test him. And he sighed deeply in his spirit and said, 'Why does this generation ask for a sign? Truly I tell you, no sign will be given to this generation.' And he left them, and getting into the boat again, he went across to the other side.

Now the disciples had forgotten to bring any bread; and they had only one loaf with them in the boat. And he cautioned them, saying, 'Watch out—beware of the yeast of the Pharisees and the yeast of Herod.' They said to one another, 'It is because we have no bread.' And becoming aware of it, Jesus said to them, 'Why are you talking about having no bread? Do you still not perceive or understand? Are your hearts hardened? Do you have eyes, and fail to see? Do you have ears, and fail to hear? And do you not remember? When I broke the five loaves for the five thousand, how many baskets full of broken pieces did you collect?' They said to him, 'Twelve.' 'And the seven for the four thousand, how many baskets full of broken pieces did you collect?' And they said to him, 'Seven.' Then he said to them, 'Do you not yet understand?'

The people remain seated.

THE NUNC DIMITTIS: St. Peter's, Westminster

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 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 Radcliffe

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

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which giveth life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; 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: They that go down to the sea in ships

Herbert Sumsion

They that go down to the sea in ships, and occupy their business in great waters;

These men see the works of the Lord, and his wonders in the deep.

For at his word the stormy wind ariseth, which lifteth up the waves thereof.

They are carried up to the heaven, and down again to the deep.

Their soul melteth away, because of the trouble.

They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man, and are at their wits' end.

So when they cry unto the Lord in their trouble he delivereth them out of their distress.

For He maketh the storm to cease, so that the waves thereof are still.

Then are they glad because they are at rest; and so he bringeth them unto the haven where they would be.

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.

Thanks be to God.

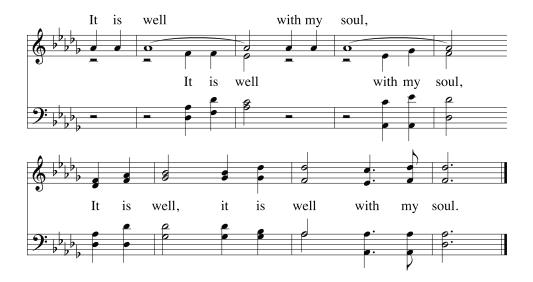
Officiant Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him

from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen.

HYMN: It is well with my soul

Ville du Havre





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

Diane Carlisle, Presider
Zachary Hemenway, Director of Music
David Boeckh, Organist
The Epiphany Choir
Travis Salisbury, Verger
Dawn Callahan, Host
Wyatt Smith, Hospitality Minister

Easter Flowers Donation Form



This Easter, the highest celebration of our Christian year, you can remember a special person or event by donating towards our Altar Flower Fund. Perhaps you would like to acknowledge the birth of a baby, or a marriage, or a loved one now departed. You may donate towards one or more lilies, but you are not limited to Easter. Flowers are used year-round at Epiphany except during Advent and Lent.

Please complete the form below and send your check to the church office, or add it to the collection plate. You may also donate by clicking on the QR code below.

Thank you for your donation to the Altar Flower Fund.

Please complete the form below and return with a check by Tuesday, April 15 or use the QR code.

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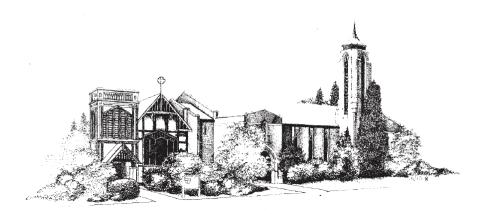
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