



# CHORAL EVENSONG

Sunday, March 27, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.



The Reverend David Luckenbach, *Officiant*  
The Reverend Doctor Matthew Boulter, *Assisting Clergy*  
The Reverend Ted Welty, *Assisting Clergy*

**E**VENSONG is a very tiny fragment of something else: it is a fragment of the worship offered to God by Christian people, at every hour, in every part of the world. When you come to Evensong here, it is as if you were dropping in on a conversation already in progress—a conversation between God and his people that began long before you were born, and will go on long after you are dead. So do not be surprised, or disturbed, if there are some things in the conversation which you do not at once understand. Evensong is drawn almost entirely from the Bible. Its primary purpose is an act of praise to almighty God that proclaims His wonderful acts in history and in the life and death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Its secondary purpose is to evoke from the worshipper a response of praise, penitence, prayer and obedience.

## THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY

"Nimrod" from *Enigma Variations* Edward Elgar

*All Rise during the Procession*

## THE PRECES Herbert Sumsion

*Cantor:* O Lord, open thou our lips.

*Choir:* And our mouth shall show 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 Congregation is seated.*

## THE PSALMODY: LAETATUS SUM

*Psalm 122—Anglican Chant* Richard Woodward

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord." Now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity with itself; To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the Lord. For there are the thrones of judgment, the thrones of the house of David. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May they prosper who love you. Peace be within your walls and quietness within your towers. For my brethren and companions' sake, I pray for your prosperity.

Because of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek to do you good." 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.

## THE FIRST LESSON *Genesis 48:8-22*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## THE MAGNIFICAT Charles Wood

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior. 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 shewed 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. 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.

## THE SECOND LESSON *John 6:27-40*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**THE NUNC DIMITTIS**

Charles Wood

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. 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.

*The Congregation will please stand.*

**THE APOSTLES' CREED**

*Choir & Congregation will chant*

*Cantor* I believe in God,

*All* **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 Versicles, Lord's Prayer, and Responses will be sung by  
the Cantor and Choir.*

*Cantor:* The Lord be with you.

*Choir:* And with thy Spirit.

*The Congregation will kneel  
as the Cantor and Choir sing the responses.*

*Cantor:* Let us pray.

*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 for give 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, show 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 will chant the collects*

*For Fourth Sunday of Lent*

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 forever. Amen.

*For Peace*

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 Savior. Amen.

*For Aid against all Perils*

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 thy only Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

### THE RECTOR'S WELCOME

### THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*There Is A Green Hill Far Away* Herbert Sumsion

There is a green hill far away, Without a city wall,  
Where the dear Lord was crucified Who died to save us all.  
We may not know, we cannot tell, What pains he had to bear  
But we believe it was for us He hung, he hung and suffer'd there.  
He died that we might be forgiv'n, He died to make us good;  
That we might go at last to heav'n Sav'd by his precious blood,  
Sav'd by his precious blood. There was no other good enough  
To pay the price of sin; He only could unlock the gate of heav'v,  
and let us in. O dearly, dearly has he lov'd,  
And we must love him too, And trust in his redeeming blood,  
And try his works to do, And try his works to do.

### THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

*Officiant, Choir and People kneeling*

**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 men.  
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 honor and glory, world without end.  
Amen.**

### THE PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

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.**

*All rise following the Prayer of St. Chrysostom.*

### THE CONCLUDING VERSICLE & RESPONSE

*Cantor:* The Lord be with you.

*Choir:* And with thy spirit.

*Cantor:* Let us bless the Lord.

*Choir:* Thanks be to God.

### THE GRACE

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

### THE RETIRING HYMN No. 24

*The day thou gavest*

Tune: St. Clement

*The Congregation is invited to sit  
for the Organ Voluntary.*

### THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY

"Allegro" from *Organ Sonata V*

C. P. E. Bach



**CHRIST CHURCH SINGERS**

Mr. Jeffrey J. Ford, *Conductor*  
Dr. Ian Aipperspach, *Organist*  
Ms. Holly Marsh, *Cantor*  
Mr. Bryan Rossman, *Processional Crucifer*

**Sopranos**

Dr. Candice Aipperspach  
Sophie Breen  
Elizabeth Huggler  
Holly Marsh

**Altos**

Laurie Dowell  
Karen Ford  
Valerie Huggler  
Suzanne Liles  
Hannah Rosser

**Tenors**

Chris Raney  
Tony Rives  
Bob Taliaferro  
Matthew Williams

**Basses**

Bill Bane  
Dr. Gerald Bieritz  
Robin H. Brians  
Hunter Holcomb  
Samuel Staggs

This evening's offering will go to the purchase of additional choir vestments.



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