



SAINT MARK'S
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

CHORAL EVENSONG

ON THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

January 2, 2022

4:30 PM

CHORAL EVENSONG in this cathedral is a tiny fragment of something else: it is part of the worship which is offered to God by Christian people every hour of the day and night, in every part of the world.

When you experience Evensong, it is as if you were dropping in on a conversation already in progress—a conversation between God and his people which began long before you were born and which will continue long after your death. So, do not be surprised or disturbed if there are some things which you do not understand straight away. For a brief moment, you step into the continual stream of worship which is being offered today and which will be offered to the end of time. You are one with those who worship here on earth and in heaven.

—adapted from the Evensong bulletin of Saint Paul's Cathedral, London.



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Saint Mark's Cathedral acknowledges that we gather on the traditional land of the first people of Seattle, the Duwamish People, who are still here, and we honor with gratitude the land itself and the life of the Duwamish Tribe.

To those present in the cathedral nave, and to those joining from near and far via livestream, welcome to this service of Choral Evensong. Please be aware that incense will be used. Out of respect for the liturgy we are about to celebrate, please turn off all cell phones and audible devices. Please, no photography during the liturgy

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PRELUDE Meditation on *Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern*
[tune of Hymn #497 "How bright appears the Morning Star"]

David Bednall (b. 1978)

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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

AT THE PROCESSION Organ improvisation

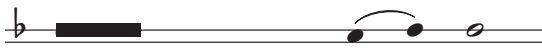
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PRECES *Deus, in adjutorium*

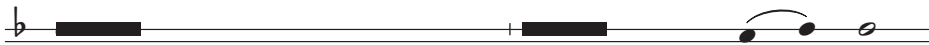
Psalm 70:1; *The Book of Common Prayer*, p. 117



Officiant O God, make speed to save us.



Assembly O Lord, make haste to help us.



All Glory to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spi - rit



as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. A - men.



Al - le - lu - ia.

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PHOS HILARON *O gracious light ♦ sung by all, standing as able*

WORDS: Φῶς Ἰλαρόν, Greek, 3rd century
paraphrase by F. Bland Tucker (1895–1984)
TUNE: *Conditor alme siderum*, plainsong, Mode 4



1. O gra-cious Light, Lord Je - sus Christ, in you the Fa - ther's glo - ry shone.
2. Now sun - set comes, but light shines forth, the lamps are lit to pierce the night.
3. Wor - thy are you of end - less praise, O Son of God, Life - giv - ing Lord;



Im - mor - tal, ho - ly, blest is he, and blest are you, his ho - ly Son.
Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit: God who dwells in the e - ter - nal light.
where - fore you are through all the earth and in the high - est heav'n a - dored.

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Please be seated to chant the Psalm.

The Psalm will be intoned by a Cantor and the chanted by everyone, alternating sides as indicated.
 (North is the right side of the altar, the side of the lectern. South is the left side, the side of the Dean's seat.)

PSALMODY Psalm 145

Plainsong, Tone VIII.1



Exaltabo te, Deus

- Cantor** [I will ex-] alt you, O God my / King, *
- North Side** and bless your Name for ev-/ er and ever.
- South Side** Every day will I / bless you *
and praise your Name for ev-/ er and ever.
- N** Great is the LORD and greatly to be / praised; *
there is no end / to his greatness.
- S** One generation shall praise your works to an-/ other *
and shall de-/ clare your power.
- N** I will ponder the glorious splendor of your / majesty *
and all your / marvelous works.
- S** They shall speak of the might of your / wondrous acts, *
and I will tell / of your greatness.
- N** They shall publish the remembrance of your great / goodness; *
they shall sing / of your righteous deeds.
- S** The LORD is gracious and full of com-/ passion, *
slow to anger and / of great kindness.
- N** The LORD is loving to / everyone *
and his compassion is / over all his works.
- S** All your works praise you, O / LORD, *
and your faithful / servants bless you.
- N** They make known the glory of your / kingdom *
and / speak of your power;
- S** That the peoples may know of your / power *
and the glorious splendor / of your kingdom.
- N** Your kingdom is an everlasting / kingdom; *
your dominion endures through-/ out all ages.
- S** The LORD is faithful in / all his words *
and merci-/ ful in all his deeds.
- N** The LORD upholds all those who / fall; *
he lifts up / those who are bowed down.
- S** The eyes of all wait upon / you, O LORD, *
and you give them their food / in due season.
- N** You open / wide your hand *
and satisfy the needs of every / living creature.

S The LORD is righteous in / all his ways *
and loving in all his works.

N The LORD is near to those who call up-/ on him, *
to all who call up-/ on him faithfully.

S He fulfills the desire of those who / fear him; *
he hears their / cry and helps them.

N The LORD preserves all those who / love him, *
but he destroys / all the wicked.

S My mouth shall speak the praise of the / LORD; *
let all flesh bless his holy Name for ev-/ er and ever.

Cantor [Glory to] the Father and to the / Son,
All and to the / Holy Spirit:

All As it was in the beginning, is / now,
and will be for-/ ever. Amen. ♦

THE LESSONS

Please remain seated.

READING *Wisdom 7:3-14*

WHEN I was born, I began to breathe the common air,
and fell upon the kindred earth;
my first sound was a cry, as is true of all.
I was nursed with care in swaddling cloths.
For no king has had a different beginning of existence;
there is for all one entrance into life, and one way out.

Therefore I prayed, and understanding was given me;
I called on God, and the spirit of wisdom came to me.
I preferred her to scepters and thrones,
and I accounted wealth as nothing in comparison with her.
Neither did I liken to her any priceless gem,
because all gold is but a little sand in her sight,
and silver will be accounted as clay before her.
I loved her more than health and beauty,
and I chose to have her rather than light,
because her radiance never ceases.

All good things came to me along with her,
and in her hands uncounted wealth.
I rejoiced in them all, because wisdom leads them;
but I did not know that she was their mother.
I learned without guile and I impart without grudging;
I do not hide her wealth,
for it is an unfailing treasure for mortals;
those who get it obtain friendship with God,
commended for the gifts that come from instruction. ♦

Please stand as you are able.

CANTICLE *Luke 1:46–55 [The Song of Mary] ♦ sung by the Choir*
Magnificat

Plainsong Tone III,
with verses in fauxburdon by Healey Willan (1880–1968)

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 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.

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.

Please be seated.

READING *John 6:41–47*

THE Jews began to complain about Jesus because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” They were saying, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven?’” Jesus answered them, “Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, ‘And they shall all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. ♦

Please stand as you are able.

CANTICLE *Luke 2:29–32 [The Song of Simeon] ♦ sung by the Choir*
Nunc dimmitis

Willan, fauxburdon setting

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 APOSTLES' CREED *chanted by all on a monotone, remaining standing as able*

Officiant I believe in God,

All the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,




the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

SALUTATION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Officiant  *Assembly*  *Officiant* 
The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray.



Officiant Our Father

All who art in heaven

hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

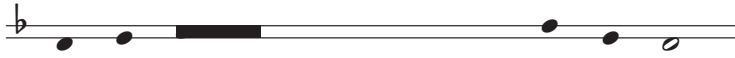
and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.



A - men.

SUFFRAGES

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 122



Officiant That this evening may be holy good, and peace-ful,



Assembly We en - treat you, O Lord. *(This response is sung after each petition.)*

Officiant That your holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and goodwill,

Assembly We entreat you, O Lord.

Officiant That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and offenses,

Assembly We entreat you, O Lord.

Officiant That there may be peace to your Church, and to the whole world,

Assembly We entreat you, O Lord.

Officiant That we may depart this life in your faith and fear,
and not be condemned before the great judgment seat of Christ,

Assembly We entreat you, O Lord.

Officiant That we may be bound together by the Holy Spirit in the communion of
Mark, and all your saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ,

Assembly We entreat you, O Lord.

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THE COLLECT FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

BCP, p. 211

O GOD, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

A COLLECT FOR PEACE

BCP, p. 123

MOST holy God, the source of all good desires, all right judgments, and all just works: Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, so that our minds may be fixed on the doing of your will, and that we, being delivered from the fear of all enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through the mercies of Christ Jesus our Savior.

All Amen.

A COLLECT FOR MISSION

BCP, p. 124

KEEP watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake.

All Amen.

Please be seated for the anthem.

ANTHEM *I Wonder as I Wander*

WORDS & TUNE: John Jacob Niles (1892–1980)
based on a Appalachian folk song
arranged by Richard Shephard (1949–2021)

I wonder as I wander out under the sky
How Jesus the Savior did come for to die
For poor orn'ry* people like you and like I
I wonder as I wander out under the sky.

**ordinary*

When Mary birthed Jesus, 'twas in a cow's stall
With wise men and farmers and shepherds and all.
But high from God's heaven a star's light did fall,
And the promise of the ages it then did recall.

If Jesus had wanted for any wee thing
A star in the sky, or a bird on the wing,
Or all of God's angels in heaven for to sing
He surely could have it 'cause he was the King.

I wonder as I wander...

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The Officiant offers prayers for the Church and the world.

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Officiant Almighty God, Father of all mercies,

All we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.

We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;

but above all for your immeasurable 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 pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

THE OFFICE HYMN *Once in Royal David's city* ♦ sung by all, standing as able

WORDS: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818–1895)

TUNE: *Irby*, Henry John Gauntlett (1805–1876)

1. Once in roy - al Da - vid's ci - ty stood a low - ly cat - tle shed,
 2. He came down to earth from hea - ven, who is God and Lord of all,
 4. For he is our life - long pat - tern; dai - ly, when on earth he grew,
 6. Not in that poor low - ly sta - ble, with the ox - en stand - ing round,

where a mo - ther laid her ba - by in a man - ger for his bed:
 and his shel - ter was a sta - ble, and his cra - dle was a stall;
 he was tempt - ed, scorned, re - ject - ed, tears and smiles like us he knew.
 we shall see him; but in hea - ven, where his saints his throne sur - round:

Ma - ry was that mo - ther mild, Je - sus Christ her lit - tle child.
 with the poor, the scorned, the low - ly, lived on earth our Sa - vior ho - ly.
 Thus he feels for all our sad - ness, and he shares in all our glad - ness.
 Christ, re - vealed to faith - ful eye, set at God's right hand on high.

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DISMISSAL



Officiant Let us bless the Lord.



All Thanks be to God.

THE GRACE

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

All Amen.

Please remain standing as you are able for the procession.

VOLUNTARY Improvisation on *Greensleeves*
[tune of Hymn #115 “What child is this?”]



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