



SAINT MARK'S  
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL  
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

# CHORAL EVENSONG

## THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY

April 2, 2023

4:30 PM

**C**HORAL 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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*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 *Were you there when they crucified my Lord?*

Leo Sowerby (1895–1968)

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

*Please stand as you are able for the procession of choir and other ministers.*

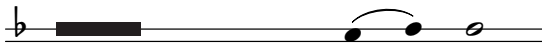
**AT THE PROCESSION** Organ improvisation

## THE INVITATORY & PSALTER

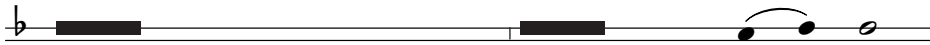
**PRECES** *Deus in adjutorum*



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.

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**PHOS HILARON** *O gracious light* ♦ *sung by all as indicated, standing as able* WORDS: Φῶς Ἰλαρόν, Greek, 3<sup>rd</sup> century  
paraphrase by F. Bland Tucker (1895–1984)  
TUNE: *The Eighth Tune*, Thomas Tallis (c. 1505–1585)

*A Cantor will start the hymn. All join in unison at the words, "in you the Father's glory shone."  
All sing stanzas 2 and 3 in a four-part round, ad libitum, all ending each stanza before starting the next.*



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 as the choir chants the Psalm.*

**PSALMODY** *Psalm 103 [trans. The St. Helena Psalter]*

Plainsong, Tone VIII.2

*Benedic, anima mea*

**B**LESS the Holy One, O my soul, \*  
and all that is within me, bless God's holy Name.

- 2 Bless the Holy One, O my soul, \*  
and forget not all the gifts of God.
- 3 O God, you forgive all our sins, \*  
and you heal all our infirmities;
- 4 You redeem our life from the grave \*  
and crown us with mercy and loving-kindness;
- 5 You satisfy us with good things, \*  
and our youth is renewed like an eagle's.
- 6 O God, you execute righteousness \*  
and judgment for all who are oppressed.
- 7 You made your ways known to Moses \*  
and your works to the children of Israel.
- 8 You are full of compassion and mercy, \*  
slow to anger and of great kindness.
- 9 You will not always accuse us, \*  
nor will you keep your anger forever.
- 10 You have not dealt with us according to our sins \*  
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.
- 11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, \*  
so is your mercy great upon those who fear you.
- 12 As far as the east is from the west, \*  
so far have you removed our sins from us.
- 13 As a parent cares for a child, \*  
so do you care for those who fear you.
- 14 For you yourself know whereof we are made; \*  
you remember that we are but dust.
- 15 Our days are like the grass; \*  
we flourish like a flower of the field;
- 16 When the wind goes over it, it is gone, \*  
and its place shall know it no more.
- 17 But your merciful goodness endures forever  
on those who fear you, \*  
and your righteousness on children's children;
- 18 On those who keep your covenant \*  
and remember your commandments and do them.
- 19 You have set your throne in heaven, \*  
and you have dominion over all.

- 20 Bless God, all you angels,  
 you mighty ones who do God's bidding, \*  
 and hearken to the voice of God's word.
- 21 Bless God, all you heavenly hosts, \*  
 you ministers who do God's will.
- 22 Bless God, all creation,  
 in all places of God's dominion; \*  
 bless the Holy One, O my soul.
- Glory to God Source of all being,  
 Incarnate Word and Holy Spirit, \*  
 as it was in the beginning,  
 is now and will be forever. Amen.

## THE LESSONS

*Please remain seated.*

**READING** *Zechariah 12:9–11, 13:1, 7–9*

**T**HUS says the Lord: on that day I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem.

And I will pour out a spirit of compassion and supplication on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that, when they look on the one whom they have pierced, they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn. On that day the mourning in Jerusalem will be as great as the mourning for Hadad-rimmon in the plain of Megiddo.

On that day a fountain shall be opened for the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, to cleanse them from sin and impurity.

“Awake, O sword, against my shepherd,  
 against the man who is my associate,” says the LORD of hosts.

Strike the shepherd, that the sheep may be scattered;  
 I will turn my hand against the little ones.

In the whole land, says the LORD,  
 two-thirds shall be cut off and perish,  
 and one-third shall be left alive.

And I will put this third into the fire,  
 refine them as one refines silver,  
 and test them as gold is tested.

They will call on my name,  
 and I will answer them.

I will say, “They are my people”;  
 and they will say, “The LORD is our God.” ♦

*Please stand as you are able.*

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

Plainsong, Mode 8 (Solemn Tone)

*Magnificat*

**M**Y 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** *Matthew 21:12–17*

**J**ESUS entered the temple and drove out all who were selling and buying in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves. He said to them, “It is written,

‘My house shall be called a house of prayer,  
but you are making it a den of robbers.’”

The blind and the lame came to him in the temple, and he cured them. But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the amazing things that he did, and heard the children crying out in the temple, “Hosanna to the Son of David,” they became angry and said to him, “Do you hear what these are saying?” Jesus said to them, “Yes; have you never read,

‘Out of the mouths of infants and nursing babies  
you have prepared praise for yourself?’”

He left them, went out of the city to Bethany, and spent the night there ♦

*Please stand as you are able.*

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

Plainsong, Mode 7

**L**ORD, 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,

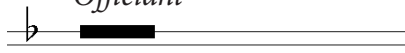
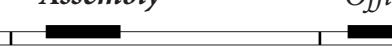
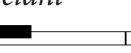
*All* **the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**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

<i>Officiant</i>	<i>Assembly</i>	<i>Officiant</i>
		
The Lord be with you.	And also with you.	Let us pray.

*Officiant and Assembly*



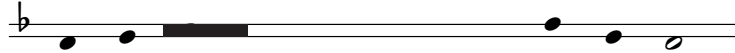
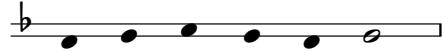
Our Father,  
 who art in heaven,  
 hallowed be thy Name,  
 thy kingdom come,  
 thy will be done,  
 on earth as it is in heaven.  
 Give us this day our daily bread.  
 And forgive us our trespasses,  
 as we forgive those  
 who trespass against us.  
 And lead us not into temptation,  
 but deliver 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*

	
<i>Officiant</i>	That this evening may be holy, good, and peaceful,
	
<i>Assembly</i>	<b>We entreat you, O Lord.</b> <i>(This response is sung after each petition.)</i>
<i>Officiant</i>	That your holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and goodwill,
<i>Assembly</i>	<b>We entreat you, O Lord.</b>
<i>Officiant</i>	That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and offenses
<i>Officiant</i>	That there may be peace to your Church, and to the whole world,
<i>Assembly</i>	<b>We entreat you, O Lord.</b>
<i>Officiant</i>	That we may depart this life in your faith and fear, and not be condemned before the great judgment seat of Christ,
<i>Assembly</i>	<b>We entreat you, O Lord.</b>
<i>Officiant</i>	That we may be bound together by the Holy Spirit in the communion of Mary, Mark, and all your saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ,
<i>Assembly</i>	<b>We entreat you, O Lord.</b>



**THE COLLECT FOR PALM SUNDAY**

**A**LMIGHTY and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*All Amen.*

**A COLLECT FOR PEACE**

**M**OST 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**

**K**EEP 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**

*Crucifixus*

WORDS: from the Nicene Creed  
MUSIC: Antonio Lotti (1667–1740)

*Crucifixus etiam pro nobis  
sub Pontio Pilato,  
passus, et sepultus est.*

He was crucified also for us  
under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered and was buried.

*Please stand or kneel as you are able.*

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*The Officiant offers prayers for the Church and the world.*

**A PRAYER OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM**

*Officiant* Almighty God,

*All* you have given us grace at this time

with one accord to make our common supplication to you;  
and you have promised through your well-beloved Son  
that when two or three are gathered together in his Name  
you will be in the midst of them:

Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions

as may be best for us;

granting us in this world knowledge of your truth,

and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

THE OFFICE HYMN *Abide with me* ♦ sung by all in 4-part harmony ad lib., standing as able

WORDS: Henry Francis Lyte (1793–1847)

TUNE: *Eventide*, William Henry Monk (1823–1889)

1. A - bide with me: fast falls the e - ven - tide;  
 2. I need thy pres - ence ev - ery pass - ing hour;  
 3. I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;  
 4. Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes;

the dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide:  
 what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's power?  
 ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness.  
 shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;

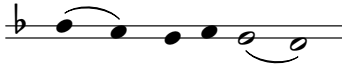
when o - ther help - ers fail and com - forts flee,  
 Who, like thy - self, my guide and stay can be?  
 Where is death's sting? where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?  
 heaven's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain sha - dows flee;

help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.  
 Through cloud and sun - shine, Lord, a - bide with me.  
 I tri - umph still, if thou a - bide with me.  
 in life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.

## 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 able, for the procession of ministers, then be seated for the rest of the Organ Voluntary. At its conclusion, in keeping with the prayerfulness of this evening's liturgy, please express your appreciation with a silent "Amen" rather than applause.*

**VOLUNTARY** Meditation on *Herzlich tut mich verlangen*  
[Tune of Hymn #169, *O sacred head, sore wounded*]

David Bednall (b. 1979)



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